



CYMUNED CYNGOR LLANGYNIDR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

**Minutes of a Council Meeting held in the Village Hall  
on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2018 at 7.30pm.**

**Public participation.** PCSO Lee Garrett reported on the recent activities of the Police in our area. There has been a burglary and many valuable items were stolen. Unusually it was clothing and footwear that was stolen. The home was unoccupied when the burglars were there.

If anyone has seen or knows anything about rogue traders please get in touch with the Police. Rogue traders etc are still active.

There have been 12 traffic calls in Llangynidr, the PCSO explained that the traffic queues on the Monday morning of the Green Man festival were a result of a burst water main in Gilwern. The police apologise for the delays and ask for patience under such circumstances. The Community Council called for greater co-operation between the Police and the Powys County Council over Green Man.

**Present:** Mr David Mantle (Chair), Cllr Rosemarie Harris, Mr David Filsell, Mr David Williams, Mrs Elizabeth Gibbs and Mr Paul Lindoewood.

**In attendance:** S.Dale (Clerk) and 4 members of the public.

As the Chairman (MP) and Vice Chair (GM) were not present, a Chairman was elected for the meeting. Mr David Mantle was elected unanimously

1. **Apologies for absence:** Mr David Evans, Mr Alan James, Mr Gene Taylor, Mr George Moretta and Mrs Margaret Price.
2. **Declaration of interest in items of business listed below:** None
3. **Signing of (labelled 2 on agenda):** The minutes of the meeting held on the 31<sup>st</sup> July 2018 were approved. Proposed by DW and seconded by DF.  
The minutes of the extraordinary meeting held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> August were approved. Proposed by DW and seconded by DF.
4. **Correspondence: (labelled 3 on agenda)**
  - a. Councils Direct – September 2018. *Circulation*
  - b. One Voice Wales, training notice for information management. *Circulation*
5. **Clerk's Report (labelled 4 on agenda)**

Late Correspondence: for information only.  
Email from a resident concerning parking outside the Llangynidr pre-school entrance. The zig-zag markings are no-longer clear.  
*RH will take forward.*

Electricity has gone to fixed contract. RH  
Defibrillator needs new pads.  
Rats have been reported in Erw Bant in a letter to the Community Council – *clerk to reply, Powys County Council no-longer have a pest control officer.* SD
6. **Finance:**



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- a. Statement of Accounts and Bank reconciliation for September 2018. *Approved.*
- b. Cheques to be approved in September 2018. *Approved*
  - Cleaning the Car Park (Sept contractor 1) £6.25
  - Cleaning the Car Park (Sept contractor 2) £31.25
  - Cleaning of the Public Conveniences (Sept contractor 1) £19.08
  - Cleaning of the Public Conveniences (Sept contractor 2) £95.42
  - Clerk's wages and stationery allowance (Sept) £333.21
  - Supplies for the toilets £37.06
  - Paint for the telephone kiosks(via S Dale) £60.10
  - Clerks Wages and stationery allowance (August) £333.21
  - Llangynidr Recreation Ground & Village Hall Charity £2500.00
  - Usk Valley Tree Services (for approval only) £1300.00
- c. Cheques paid in July 2018.
  - Cleaning the Car Park (July & Aug) £75.00
  - Clerk's wages and stationery allowance (July) £333.21
  - Cleaning the public conveniences (July&Aug) £229.00
  - Sanitation for the toilets £191.52
  - Clerks Wages and Stationery Allowance (August) £333.21<sup>1</sup>
  - Llangattock Community Council £55.31
  - Microshade VSM Ltd (Information management) £120.00
- d. External audit report for 2017-18.

**7. Report from the County Councillor.**

*Dyffryn Road has been tarmacked, some areas were still good enough to not to need work.*

*The traffic control lights for the bridge are still undergoing examination by the Traffic Management Officer.*

*There is a great deal of pressure on budgets, but grants have been found recently for the Hall kitchen, art materials for the School, the Lych gate and in the near future, for the repairs to the Car Park. These grants have been forthcoming because the village has no other services from Powys.*

*Children's Social Services are to be re-inspected in October.*

*There is a new school in Clyro.*

*Crickhowell High School is full with about 900 students, with some students coming from out of the area to attend.*

*The Green Man Festival does generate income for local businesses but there are problems with people arriving and leaving the festival.*

*The owner of the festival is to be invited to a Community Council meeting.*

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<sup>1</sup> Not written.



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*Green waste is likely to go to a charge per bin arrangement.*

**8. Planning Applications:**

**Pant Y Paerau 18/16454/LBC & 18/16453/FUL.** The applicant came to the meeting and explained the business plan as part of public participation. The business is to be cycling based with small groups of cyclists being guided around the Brecon Beacons at their own pace with vehicular support. The distance travelled will be up to each group but is likely to be between 20 miles and 90 miles a day. The visitors will be encouraged to enjoy the other amenities of the area, generating income for local businesses.

There were no objections to the applications except for concern about road safety and the screening of the car park.

**9. What is the status of the various wash lanes in Llangynidr?**

The clerk wrote a short article for "Contact" as instructed by Council. RH will see if she can get legal advice on the meaning of the term right of access. SD to encourage the History Society to focus on wash lanes.

SD

**10. Recycling agreement with Powys County Council to be approved.** *Approved*

**11. Trees behind Walnut Tree Stores have been examined and some remedial work was necessary. This was taken to be an emergency by the Clerk and the Chairman – the problem was dealt with at a cost of £1300. The Tree Surgeon has given the Community Council a large plank of elm from the work.**

SD

*Actions approved and clerk to deal with the plank.*

**12. Data Protection progress.** *Two privacy notices have been drafted and will be circulated for approval at the October meeting. Other documents are required – a data protection policy, Requests policy, Data breach policy, Personal impact assessment and Contract compliance template. The Community Council does not have to appoint a Data Protection Officer but someone to help the Clerk in this endeavour would be useful.*

**13. The development off Castle Road needs a name and the community council have been invited to suggest some possibilities. In addition to this the community council have received a letter from a resident concerning flooding of Glan-yr-Afon fields in winter and the impact of flood prevention measures may have on neighbouring properties. Photographs and a copy of a letter from Powys County Council are referred to.**

*A representative of Monmouthshire Housing Association (MHA) was present and stated that MHA will respond. A redacted copy of the letter to be sent to MHA.*

SD



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14 homes are being built of 3 or 4 bedrooms. The objective is to make money for more social housing.

There is a short ceremony being held on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October at the site, to mark the start of building. It is MHA objective to ensure the the work progresses smoothly with no problems over parking or litter.

One of the houses may be a social housing home. There is demand for social housing in the village, Powys County Council will have a list.

The Community Council felt that the school would be a good place to start for a name for the development.

14. Will the community Council provide the refreshments for a community commemoration of the end of the First World War? *The Community Council resolved to give £100 towards the refreshments. A donations policy will be circulated for the October meeting.*

SD

15. Discuss the traffic problems related to the Green Man Festival. Such as:

1. There was no warning that the B4558 was to be closed to traffic from Llangynidr (and Crickhowell?) on the Monday morning.
2. The farmer at Danywern Farm, which has its entrance off the B4558 between the two ends of Cyffredyn Lane but lives in Bwlch, was unable to approach the farm either from Llangynidr or, after going up the Beaufort Road and down to Llangattock, from the Crickhowell direction. He was turned back by police both times.
3. A large amount of traffic tried to get through the jams by going down Cyffredyn Lane. The entry to the lane should be controlled.
4. Was there any consultation with the LCC?
5. Was the burst main between Crickhowell and Gilwern the source of the trouble?

*The community council asks for closer working between it, the organiser and police. It is not proper that residents and workers be denied access to the village. RH to ask if the owner of the Green Man would come and meet with the community council.*

RH

16. The leet walk past Pentywn Farm has been closed, the owners have issued a notice explaining the reasons for the closure. *Clerk to write to the landowners to acknowledge the wrongs done to them and their land but also to ask if any form of compromise is possible.*

*Clerk to write a the second correspondent explaining why the landowners have closed the walk.*

DE

17. The dangers of Pant-y-Beili corner. Particularly the right hand turning off the A40 towards Llangynidr. *RH to take forward.*

18. Pot holes in Cyfredin Lane. *Particularly near Pant Teg – RH to*



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*take forward.*

RH

19. Pot holes in Groesfford. *RH to take forward. Also at Llyncelyn corner on Beaufort Road. RH to take forward.*

RH

20. Reports from meetings attended. None

21. **Any agenda items for the next meeting from Councillors.**  
*Monmouthshire Housing Association's Llangynidr development.*

22. **Date of next meeting: 30<sup>th</sup> October 2018.**

**Signed by the Chair**

**Dated**