



CYMUNED CYNGOR LLANGYNIDR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of a Council Meeting held via electronic media on Tuesday 27th October 2020 at 7.30pm. The beginning of the meeting was marred by technical difficulties.

Public participation. 2 members of the public, a Councillor's helper and PCSO Billy Dunne. The PCSO discussed Fly tipping as this is a particular problem for Llangynidr Mountain and Trefil Quarry. The police are usually reliant on members of the public to let them know an offence has occurred. Camera could be mentioned to the Commoners' Association.

3 ponies, sired by a rogue stallion, have been following the road.

In 3 months 18 incidents were reported to police, of those 7 were crimes: 2 public order offences, 2 drugs, 1 violence, 1 sexual and 1 other.

The police have been patrolling the car park late at night, and have stopped some drugs movements because of it.

Speed watch traffic calming has been resumed.

The police have completed 5 off road operations this year, and given out 27 notices to off-rovers, that is more than the whole of the rest of Powys.

A resident joined the meeting to discuss a recent Welsh Government initiative to help people and businesses in rural communities acquire fibre broadband. Residents who are interested register their interest with the Community Council and if enough register, providers can be approached for a quote to take to Welsh Government. They will then let us know what they will offer the village, and therefore how much each resident will have to contribute to participate. A notice will be put on the noticeboard and the website. A separate meeting at a later date may be required for those who are interested. There may be quite a lot of interest as more people are working from home.

Present: Mr Mark Brian, Mrs Margaret Price, (MP chaired as MB had a technical difficulty and could not be heard) Mr David Mantle, Mrs Elizabeth Gibbs, Mr Alan James, Mr Gene Taylor and Mr Paul Lindoewood.

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

1. **Apologies:** Mr David Williams, Mr George Moretta, and Mr David Filsell.
2. **Declaration of interest in items of business listed below:** None
3. **Signing of the minutes;**



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of the meeting held on the 29th September 2020 were approved subject to an amendment at item 17 :*“The Chairperson will represent Llangynidr Community Council at the service on the 8th November, to take place outside at the War Memorial. DM will represent the Community Council at the Llangynidr service at the Cenotaph RH will represent the people of Powys and Powys County Council MP and DF will be present. Clerk to liaise.”*
Proposed EG and seconded DM.

4. Correspondence: See items 16 and 17.

5. Clerk's Report.

The Tennis Club have held their Junior Tournament and sent photos of the event.

There was a litter picking event in the village on the 17th October, 2 large bags of rubbish were collected by 8 volunteers.

The Human Resources Committee will meet via zoom at 7.00pm before the November meeting.

The new audit arrangements are in place for the 20-21 audit.

The clerk of Cwm Du Community Council is retiring soon, after many years service.

Changes to business account terms are mostly irrelevant to us, like the foreign exchange regulations etc, But there is also the 'Freeagent' software which may be of interest.

Car park gate – the costs of repairs to the gate and fitting are needed for the DVLA application.

6. Finances

- a) The bank account reconciles with the accounts package. Precept has been 2/3/paid as is usual for this time of year. Items, such as the new website, the drains at the public toilets, the refitted gate, tree management and possible new toilet for the gents were not budgeted for at the the beginning of the year. Clerk to check with Dwr Cymru regarding drainage repairs.

- b) Cheques to be approved in October 2020. Approved.

Cleaning the car park (Oct)	£40.00
Clerk's wages and stationery allowance (Oct so)	£356.19
Cleaning the public conveniences (Oct)	£280.00
Flower Bed contract during summer months (Oct)	£60.00
Viking toilet supplies	£64.40

- c) Cheques approved in September 2020



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Cleaning the car park (Aug)	£40.00
Clerk's wages and stationery allowance (Aug so)	£356.19
Clerk's wages and stationery allowance (Sept so)	£356.19
Cleaning the public conveniences (Aug)	£120.00
Flower Bed contract during summer months (Aug)	£60.00
Payment for sewers blockage fix	£60.00
Speed monitor for speed watch team	£242.34 ¹
Cleaning the car park (Sept)	£40.00
Cleaning the public conveniences (Sept)	£120.00
Flower Bed contract during summer months (Sept)	£60.00
British Gas (electricity for public toilets)	£27.34
Purple and Green Co Ltd	£594.00

7. County Councillors's Report

None

8. Planning Applications:

None

9. The contractor looking after the flower beds and footpath has asked for an extra payment to cover work done in October (£60). This is to prepare the beds for winter. *Approved*

10. The insurance is due for renewal. The premium is £399.55. To be discussed and action agreed. *Approved.*

11. Update on the river bridge signage. Nothing to report yet.

12. The wall of Persondy Field needs maintenance. The licence indicates that this is the responsibility of the licensee. To be discussed and action agreed. *The license stipulates fences, not walls. A few stones need urgent attention which DM will kindly see to. The rest of the work can wait till spring. Adjourn till March 21.*

13. Garden waste is being dumped in the Nant Gliasfer. Such tipping is said to be detrimental to the Nant, particularly by depleting oxygen. To be discussed and action agreed. *Wait for report from RH concerning the Glaisfer. Signs to be placed "No garden waste" by the Glaisfer and possibly elsewhere in the village.*

14. The hedge cuttings at the top of Forge Road reduce the sound footing for pedestrians. To be discussed and action agreed. *The problem is directly opposite the Service Station, Clerk to ask Powys County Council for the road sweeper to come, if it is in the area. (Copy to RH) Residents of Mardy Lane would be happy to pay for a Sweeper to clean the lane. The car park gutters also needs cleaning.*

¹ Better quote taken.



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15. The Community Council wishes to establish the ownership of the wash lanes in Llangynidr, to enable further protective action. To be discussed and action agreed. *Not in the ownership of Duke of Beaufort. Clerk to register the wash lanes with the Land Registry, consulting with the Commons Registration Officer at Llandrindod Wells. MP , EG and `SD XSto document the lanes ready for registration.*

16. A resident has written asking for support to close a section of footpath 16. To be discussed and action agreed. In a related email another resident has written reporting possible footpath infringements. *It is a historic path and used by many residents (when not avoided at the request of the residents there because of Covid 19) and has been a right of way for a long time. After some discussion Council voted (5 to 1 abstention) against the proposed closure in spite of sympathy felt for the resident's point of view.*

17. Future meeting arrangements and dispensations for absence. *The way zoom meetings are conducted is a problem, Clerk to ask the school if Council could use their facilities to meet physically. Clerk to ask RH about her experience with Zoom. Clerk to ask DW, DF and GM about their plans for their future involvement with Council.*

18. Arrangements following the removal of emergency services from Neville Hall. *Clerk to place the notice on the Noticeboard and the website.*

19. The future of Community Council audit arrangements in Wales. *In place.*

20. A resident has complained about noisy vehicles in the car park late at night. She has asked that Council consider closing the carpark with gate at nighttime. *The Police are active in patrolling the Car park late at night and they have apprehended 2 groups of boys causing problems. The resident has reported a lessening of the problem. Council is reluctant to put a gate across the entrance as it may interfere with the normal use of the facility.*

21. Reports from other meetings. *EG, MB and SD met with an Officer from Natural Resources Wales to inspect the riverbank for threats to public health and safety and to wildlife. 9 Trees were identified as potential threats to public safety. A plan to deal with this threat in the next 6 months should be approved by the officer. Brecon Beacon National Park Authority have a sustainable development fund which may be applied to for financial help with the felling. RH also may know of funding that could help deal with the trees. GM reported that the Acting Head has been appointed Head of Llangynidr Primary School.*

The Chairperson closed the meeting at 9.30pm, there being no further business.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday, 24th November 2020



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Signed by the Chair
Dated