

Cyngor Cymuned LLANBEDROG Community Council

Minutes Hybrid Meeting 27 February 2024 at 7:00pm.

Present

David Andrew Parry (C) Hywel James Sinclair Evans, Gwenllian Davenport Hughes, Greta Hughes, William Roger Jones, Ian Goronwy Williams, Alan Harper-Smith, Kevin Wheatley, Keith Williams, Ann Llwyd (Translator), Carys Jones (Clerk)

The Chairman welcomed William Roger Jones to the meeting and said that it was good to have him back. He also welcomed Keith Williams to the meeting. Keith Williams is a new member of the Llanbedrog Community Council.

1. Apologies

John Brinley Jones
Thomas Victor Jones

2. Declaration of Financial or Personal Interest

None

3. Minutes 30 January 2024 Meeting – for accuracy only

Hywel James Sinclair Evans noted that he would like it to be noted in the minutes (27.02.24) why he withheld his vote regarding the Lôn Pin Solar planning application at the last meeting. He felt that such a plan would be an opportunity for the community to get electricity cheaper, so that is why he has withheld his vote.

Proposed: Gwenllian Davenport Hughes

Seconded: Ian Goronwy Williams

The Clerk asked if Greta Hughes would be willing for her notes about the Lôn Pin planning application to be included with the January minutes. Greta Hughes confirmed that she had no objection. It was proposed that she should attend the planning meeting on behalf of the Community Council. Greta Hughes confirmed that she was willing to do so.

Proposed: Ian Goronwy Williams

Substitute: Alan Harper-Smith

4. Any Urgent Matter

Illegal Parking – The Galley, Llanbedrog

Alan Harper-Smith noted that the sign at the top of the road had disappeared. Gwynedd Council has agreed to replace it in order to warn people against parking near Y Gali. He also noted that he had asked Gwynedd Council to sweep the road to make it easier to see the double yellow lines. Hopefully, this solves the problem. Gwenllian Davenport Hughes asked if it would be possible to put a temporary sign there? Alan Harper-Smith said it would not be possible to do that because it would not be an official sign.

Bin Brown – The Cemetery

The Clerk noted that the sticker for the cemetery's brown bin needed to be updated and that someone needed to take the bin near the gate every two weeks to be emptied by the council (Wednesday evening and Thursday morning). Ian Goronwy Williams suggested that Mr Roger Fisher might be interested. The Clerk agreed to ask him.

Public Toilets

Alan Harper-Smith said that at the moment the public toilets are open six months of the year and that a number of people have been complaining about it being closed recently. Llanbedrog Community Council pays £2,000 and the National Trust pays £1,000 (per annum). Alan Harper-Smith suggested that the Community Council contact the National Trust to ask if they could contribute a little more in order to keep the toilets open all year.. David Andrew Parry seconded and noted that if the National Trust offered £500, perhaps the Community Council could contribute the other £500. The Clerk agreed to contact the National Trust on the Council's behalf. It was unanimously agreed to proceed on this basis.

5. Personal Injury – update

The Clerk reported that John Brinley Jones has responded to the insurance company's solicitor's request for further information about the location of the accident.

6. Training

The Clerk reported that she had contacted Unllais Cymru to inquire about courses on finance/audits. According to Unllais there is no specific training about this for clerks, but it was noted that Unllais Cymru would get in touch if there is training about this available in the future.

Clerk has also been in touch with Arfon Parry to ask for guidance on posting agenda, minutes etc on the Community Council's website.

7. Tenders

There was a discussion about the tenders and the prices of those who have submitted tenders were compared.

Greta Hughes noted that members had to go after OP on a number of occasions last year. Hywel James Sinclair Evans said that the number of cuts had been specified to ask for at least seven cuts per year. He noted that this was an attempt to be more specific in the new tender. Greta Hughes said the footpaths are her main concern, because members of the Community Council have received a number of complaints about the condition of the footpaths over the past twelve months. Alan Harper-Smith noted that RJ was a good, reliable worker, a local man and that he had all the equipment needed to do the work. Kevin Wheatley suggested that the Community Council should have to pay if the work is not done. David Andrew Parry suggested that the tender be offered to someone local rather than Gwynedd Council and that the work be monitored as necessary. Ian Goronwy Williams agreed and proposed that the Community Council accept John Brinley Jones' proposal. It was unanimously agreed.

Cae Chwarae and Cae Llan to RJ
Cemetery and Routes to OP.

8. Footpaths

See item 7.

Furthermore, Ian Goronwy Williams reported that he had sent a map to Iago Tudor and that Iago's friend, Iwan Hughes, had also offered to help.

9. The Cemetery

The New Cemetery

No update since the minutes of the last meeting.

10. Playground

Hywel James Sinclair Evans reported that he was very excited about the plans for the playground which will include the following:

- football pitch (foot cell)
- an orchard
- an area for wild flowers
- nature area – to be used as an external class
- skate park
- a small shed with solar panels on it
- a tractor

He noted that it will be necessary to mend the fence to make the area safe and install football and basketball posts. An estimate of the cost of the play equipment is £100,000. He also noted that Alaw Ceris has been collecting information, contacting local companies, and has organized a successful pancake night. A sum of £9,800 has been collected so far. He asked for a 25% contribution towards the cost of the scheme which would be between £9,000 - £10,000. Greta Hughes asked if it would be possible for the Community Council to offer "payment in kind"? Hywel James Sinclair Evans Hywel James Sinclair Evans reported that an application is about to be completed by the 12th of March by the AHNE and that there must be an element of nature in the application. The hope is to have a nature area at the top of the playing field and a safe place for children to play. This area will also include a shelter and picnic benches.

It was unanimously agreed to support the plans for the playing field, in principle and to send a letter to Alaw Ceris to confirm this.

11. The Village Hall

Gwenllian Davenport Hughes noted that there was no further progress in terms of receiving a price estimate. She further noted that she has been making inquiries about grants to pay for the work including the National Lottery Fund and Community Funder.

David Andrew Parry reported that he had asked Barbara about the number of children attending the Nursery School with the intention of raising the price. According to Steven John the women's toilets need work to put new toilets in the Hall. Estimate for this work is: £20,500 + VAT.

Planning Applications:

C24/0120/39/RA Glyn y Môr, Glyn y Weddw, Llanbedrog, Pwllheli, Gwynedd, LL53 7TT.
Release of conditions 3 and 4 (materials details) on planning permission application
C23/0736/38/DT.

Ian Goronwy Williams explained that this was a request to remove certain conditions regarding the materials to be used.

David Andrew Parry proposed that there was no objection to the application.
Hywel James Sinclair Evans said that the original conditions required the use of Welsh slates rather than Spanish ones, for example, meant that they had accepted a duty, certain conditions. William Roger Jones agreed and said that if Gwynedd Council had given certain conditions, they would have done so for good reason. Greta Hughes added that other people have had to commit to conditions. Therefore, she suggested that the application to release conditions 3 and 4 should be refused, on the basis that the conditions are reasonable.

Proposed: William Roger Jones

Seconded: Hywel James Sinclair Evans.

It was unanimously agreed.

C24/0087/38/LL Land Henllys Llanbedrog, Pwllheli, Gwynedd, LL53 7RE.

A full application to build a 3 bedroom affordable house with an attached garage together with associated works including the creation of an entrance and access road.

Ian Goronwy Williams explained that he was concerned about the location of the entrance. Hywel James Sinclair Evans said that a local couple owns the land and based on that and the fact that the plan involved building an affordable house, he had no objection. Greta Hughes added that this would help young people to stay in their local community. She also noted that the application was not likely to affect anyone else and that the Highways Department at Gwynedd Council should be able to sort the entrance. As a result, she proposed that the Council accepted the application. Alan Harper-Smith said he was also in favor of supporting local young people to build their own property and stay in their local community.

Second: William Roger Jones

The Clerk reported that another planning application had been received namely, **Cae Coed, Llanbedrog.**

The location of the application was confirmed by the members – as opposite Tanrallt. It was noted that an original application had been submitted in 2020. That application was granted with certain conditions. Greta Hughes said that the request is not likely to disturb anyone else as the banks are quite high. She also asked if the original survey had now expired.

No objection proposed by Ian Goronwy Williams

Second: Greta Hughes

The Council voted unanimously to support the application.

Any Other Business

None

Payments to be approved:

- (1) Clerk's Salary - £416
- (2) Ann Llwyd (Translator) - £70
- (3) Arfon Williams (Cradur.com) - £43.00

It was unanimously agreed to authorize the above payments.

Date of the next meeting: 26/03/24 at 7 pm