

# Cygnor Bro Llanfechain Community Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2018  
at Llanfechain Memorial Hall

## Present:

Cllr G Marshall (Chair)  
Cllr A Jones  
Cllr I Jones

Cllr S Marshall  
Cllr G Jones

Apologies: Cllr A Whitmore, County Cllr Thomas and Cllr B Ellis  
Members of the public: 3

### 1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr A Whitmore, County Cllr Thomas and Cllr B Ellis who were unable to attend due to prior commitments.

### 2. Public Observer Statement

The public observer statement was read out by the Chair.

### 3. Declarations of Interest in items on agenda

None declared

### 4. To Confirm Minutes of the Meeting held on May 31<sup>st</sup> 2018

The minutes were confirmed as a correct record, proposed by Cllr S Marshall, seconded by Cllr G Jones and signed.

### 5. Consideration of co-option of new Councillor

A member of the public has expressed an interest in potentially joining the Council and will attend the September meeting before making a decision.

### 6. Matters arising from the minutes not elsewhere on the agenda

#### 6.1 Highways issues

No responses received from PCC regarding potholes logged via the web site. Other villagers have reported pothole issues.

Cllr G Marshall reported that although PCC have responded to the FOI they have not done so fully and provided no actual information and requested advise from County Cllr Thomas via email. He responded that he felt the best option was that the senior officer to our area to meet with the community council

Action: Cllr G Thomas to arrange meeting.

#### 6.2 Community Safety Partnership

No progress as the site is still closed for review and no response obtained to Cllr A Whitmore's emails requesting involvement.

Action: Cllr A Whitmore to monitor

### **6.3 Planning Applications Update**

No objections to the Application P/2018/0618

Grid Ref: 319163/320283 for Section 73 application to vary condition no. 2 attached to planning permission P/2017/1469 for design changes to roof pitch and reduction to eaves level at Land near The Gables Llanfyllin Powys

## **7. Report from County Councillor Gwynfor Thomas**

7.1 Pot holes are slowly getting done but many more to do no indication of timescales.

Some of the roads around the Village have been swept, believed to be in preparation for repairing of potholes. County Cllr Thomas will follow up with PCC.

7.2 Dog fouling signs are on the way.

7.3 Glan y nant bridge is not classed as urgent but is on the capital list.

7.4 Tan y Ffridd Cottage planning is sitting with enforcement.

## **8. Recreation Field**

8.1 Playground inspection – not completed this month.

8.2 Progress on play area

Cllr G Marshall has requested the secretary of the Playground Group organize a meeting to introduce the new chair. Note: The Council can only support this initiative, not take a lead role. No date has yet been published.

8.3 Community Asset Transfer

PCC will not agree to the request of LCC for a time limit and guarantee of replacement land in the event that PCC did call for the playing field land back. The solicitor also felt they will not negotiate on this.

Alternative approaches are:

- The recreation field can be nominated as an asset. This essential means that should PCC decided to sell the land for development the Council will have, effectively, first refusal on the land, with a timeline of 6 months to raise the money.
- Section 15 of the Commons Act 2006 which allows LCC to apply for the registration of the land as Village Green. This will protect the land from development and preserve it for use by local people.

This is a significant piece of work but the Councillors felt it to be worthwhile pursuing.

It was proposed by Cllr A Jones, and seconded by Cllr G Jones that this be pursued.

Cllr G Marshall to progress and report back to the next meeting.

8.4 Hedge

The hedge cannot be cut until the end of the nesting season, September.

Action: Cllr Ellis and Cllr S Marshall to progress.

## **9. Cluster Update**

No further updates other than the payment of the Library invoice.

PCC continues to provide basic services.

Action: Cllr S Marshall to progress.

## **10. Finance**

10.1 Approval of the payment for Llanfyllin Library of £273 as the first installment. Proposed by Cllr G Jones, seconded by Cllr A Jones.

10.2 Current balances and signing off of bank statements

- A bank statement has not been received.
- The balances and signing off will be actioned by the new Clerk at the next meeting.

10.3 Insurance

Cllr A Whitmore has negotiated a 3 year deal with Zurich with an annual payment of £316 per year. Acceptance of the quote was proposed by Cllr G Jones, and seconded by Cllr A Jones.

10.4 Internal Audit Update

The 2017/18 audit has been finalized documents have been finalised. No requests to view the accounts have been received and the accounts will be submitted. Cllr G Jones proposed approval, seconded by Cllr A Jones.

## **11. Reports from outside meetings**

11.1 School (including Sports Day)

The Council has received a proposal to Federate Llanfechain and Llangedwyn School. This is for information only.

The School is unable to provide any support for the Llanfechain Show Sports.

11.2 Community Hall

An email request for a donation has been received but a Donation Request form not completed. As this is an audit requirement the Clerk will request the completion of the form and for discussion at the next meeting.

Action: Clerk

11.3 Show Committee

A Donation Application has been received to support securing quality performers and fund the art workshops taking place at Llanfechain School to encourage participation in the Show. A donation of £300 was proposed by Cllr I Jones and seconded by Cllr G Jones.

Action: Clerk to respond to Donation Application

11.4 Beacon Project & War Memorial Trust

Plans for the day are progressing well. Cllr S Marshall to meet with Phil Williams and report back to the next LCC meeting.

Action: Cllr S Marshall

## **11. GDPR**

There has been an Amendment to standing orders “The Council **may** appoint a Data Protection Officer”. Still awaiting an update regarding the necessity to register but as we do not keep personal data we may not need to do so. However, we will continue to assess our approach and conformance.

Action: Cllr G Marshall to monitor and update the Clerk

## **12. Adopted Powys LDP 2011- 2026: Supplementary Planning Guidance**

### **Public Consultation**

Carried over to the next meeting

Action: Cllr G Marshall

## **13. Other Matters**

13.1 Confirm date for next Village Clean Up

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> August 2018 was agreed as the date for the Village clear up, the weekend prior to the Village Show, 10.30am to 1.30pm. To be included in the Newsletter.

Action: Cllr G Marshall

13.2 Blocked public footpath by the chapel on the main road

Additional issues regarding overgrown hedges on footpaths was also raised at Maes Mechain and from the playing field to the main road.

Action: Clerk to contact PCC to arrange maintenance.

## **14. Correspondence**

14.1 To note correspondence circulated previously (see below)

Clerk

14.2 Play Wales update

No further updates

Action: Cllr A Whitmore to monitor

## **15. Questions to the Chair**

No questions to the Chair.

To confirm date of the next meeting, **26th July at 7.30pm**

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