

LLANFAIR COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Minutes of Council Meeting held at
Virtually over 'Zoom',
On Thursday, 1st July 2021 at 7.00pm.

Present: Chairman : Councillor Steph Bonnar
Councillors : David Hawkins, Julian Hitchcock, Mary Llewellyn,
Geoff Simpson and Jim Teague.

In Attendance: Jackie Griffin, Clerk.

Item 1: Apologies for Absence.
Councillors Heather Shaw and Ray Simkiss.

Item 2: Declarations of Interest.
None.

Item 3: Community Police Matters.
There was no updated report from the Police.
Councillor Bonnar reported an incident of anti-social behaviour to Members which recently took place in St Mary Church.
Councillor Hitchcock advised of a neighbourly dispute in Llandough recently which resulted in one neighbour being 'shaken up' and falling on the ground. The Police were made aware of the dispute.

Item 4: To discuss 'Community Speedwatch'.
Councillor Bonnar advised that nine residents in St Mary Church have expressed an interest in volunteering for the 'Community Speedwatch' initiative. The Clerk will contact PC Gary Williamson, the dedicated Police Officer dealing with Community Speedwatch to obtain more forms for completion.
Members discussed speed reductions initiatives which are being carried out and trialled in some villages in the Vale.

Item 5: To consider the minutes of the Meeting held 3rd June 2021.
Proposed by Councillor Llewellyn, seconded by Councillor Hawkins and **resolved** that the Minutes of meeting be accepted as a true record. The Minutes to be signed by the Chairman in due course.

Item 6: Matters arising from the Minutes, which are not included in this Agenda.

6.1 Members asked if the expected report from the Representative of the Standards Committee, who had attended the last meeting, had been received yet. The Clerk advised that it had not but she would forward it onto Members if received prior to the next meeting.

Item 7: Chairman's Report.
Councillor Bonnar thanked the Members and the Clerk for their assistance at the last meeting when Mr Alexander of the Standards Committee had been in attendance.

Item 8: Clerk's Report
8.1 Finances.

Bank balance was noted at **£4,881.21** (Current Account £3,985.07 and Business Reserve Account £896.14).

Payments made since 3rd June 2021 are:

Clerk's Salary (June) - £154.26;

HMRC Tax (June) - £38.57;

Payments due to be made are:

Clerk's Salary (July) - £154.26;

HMRC Tax (July) - £38.57.

Item 9: To discuss Llandow Civic Amenity Site – agenda item for next Community Liaison meeting.

Llandow Community Council has requested that the Civic Amenity Site be an item on the agenda of the next Community Liaison Meeting taking place on 5th July.

Councillor Teague praised the current booking system which has resulted in the issue of queueing at the site being solved. It was noted that the dire condition of the access road has been an item of complaint by Councils and residents for many years.

Members recalled that the Vale Councillors had advised that a new site was being considered a number of years ago. The Clerk advised that she would check the minutes and send any information located to Councillor Bonnar for information, prior to the meeting.

Item 10: To Discuss Installation of a Defibrillator in Llandough.

Councillor Hitchcock updated the Members on progress to date:

- Residents have now raised £1,300 towards the cost of the defibrillator.
- A suitable site is now under consideration. There is some reluctance to placing it in the church porch, but the wall in front of the church has been suggested thereby being more visible.
- Eon have provided a quotation of £3,000 for an electricity supply to the wall but extending the power to the porch would cost approximately £250. Members agreed that the porch was the more favourable option as it would also provide shelter to the equipment.
- It was suggested that Western Power could be approached for a possible charitable donation towards the cost.
- Members agreed that a site meeting might be helpful to consider the options.

Item 11: Reports of Representatives.

It was reported that both the Community Liaison Meeting and the local committee of One Voice Wales Meeting are taking place on 5th July 2021. The Representatives will report back at the next meeting of the Community Council.

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Item 12: Correspondence and Publications.

- 12.1 E-mail from One Voice Wales – Remote Training Sessions in July 2021 – *previously forwarded to Members by e-mail.*
- 12.2 E-mail from Dyfed Powis Police via One Voice Wales – Mobile Phone Upgrade Scam – *previously forwarded to Members by e-mail.*
- 12.3 E-mail from Ystadau Cymru regarding changes to e-Pims – *previously forwarded to Members by e-mail.*
- 12.4 E-mail from One Voice Wales introducing Rachel Carter, 'Local Places for Nature' Officer for One Voice Wales – *previously forwarded to Members by e-mail.*
It was agreed that this could prove to be a helpful contact to assist with the construction of a Wildlife Reserve in the community.
- 12.5 Older People's Commissioner Newsletter – *previously forwarded to Members by e-mail.*
- 12.6 One Voice Wales Response to Consultation on 'Power to Trade' – *previously forwarded to Members by e-mail.*
- 12.7 E-mail from Welsh Government via One Voice Wales regarding the Welsh Government's Programme for Government and the associated Well-being Statement – *previously forwarded to Members by e-mail.*
- 12.8 E-mail from Public Health Wales via One Voice Wales regarding a questionnaire entitled "Sustaining Community-led action in recovery: learning lessons from the Community response to Covid-19 in Wales" – *previously forwarded to Members by e-mail.*
Members praised their local communities during this difficult time with volunteers helping their neighbours with shopping chores etc. It was acknowledged that there were many lessons from the positive actions of the communities during the Covid-19 epidemic.

Item 13: Any Other Business at the Discretion of the Chairman.

- 13.1 Councillor Bonnar advised Members that following a discussion with the Clerk, it had become apparent that many community councils have a dedicated laptop which is housed by the Clerk and is utilised for the Council's business, thereby housing all the Council's documents and access to the website. Members agreed that this would be a wise move for the Council as, at the present time, the Council's business is located on the Clerk's personal computer.
Resolved that the Clerk obtains quotations for a dedicated laptop for the Council's documents and website for presentation at the next meeting.
- 13.2 Councillor Hawkins advised that he had been approached by a couple of residents who had expressed concern at a property in St. Hilary which is currently unoccupied and in need of some attention. Members debated the problem and agreed some action.

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Item 13: **Any Other Business at the Discretion of the Chairman (Continued)**
13.3 Councillor Llewellyn reported that the suggestion of some play equipment in St Hilary will not be progressed further.

Item 14: **Planning Applications.**

14.1 Planning Application No. **2021/00774/FUL**

Location: St Hilary Village Hall

Proposal: Alteration to external doors.

Members were concerned that the proposal will result in the loss of an exit from the Hall which could prove to be a mistake should an emergency occur and would request that the Planning Department bear this concern in mind when considering the application.

14.2 Planning Application No. **2021/00880/FUL**

Location: Gigman Mill Junction, St Athan Road to Junction Tre Aubrey via Gigman Bridge, St Mary Church.

Proposal: Internal alterations and extensions.

No objection.

14.3 **Result of recent Planning Applications:**

Planning Application No. **2021/00495/RG3** – Installation of a demountable unit to accommodate a childcare provision. Works to include erection of a canopy shelter, ramped access and all associated site preparation and external works at Llanfair Primary School, St Mary Church – **Grants deemed planning consent with 4 conditions.**

Item 15: **Place, Date and Time of Next Meeting**

The Clerk advised that the Welsh Government has passed an Act to make it a legal requirement for meetings to now be 'hybrid'. This will prove to be a problem for rural areas of Wales where many Halls do not have internet provision. The Clerk will contact One Voice Wales and Welsh Government for advice on the requirement and ask if grant funding is available for the equipment required to fulfil this requirement.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, 2nd September 2021 at 7pm, virtually over 'Zoom' or St Hilary Village Hall.

..... **Chairman**
Date : 2nd September 2021.