

LLANFAIR COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Minutes of Council Meeting held at
Virtually over 'Zoom',
On Thursday, 2nd September 2021 at 7.00pm.

Present: Chairman : Councillor Steph Bonnar
Councillors : David Hawkins, Mary Llewellyn, Heather Shaw,
Ray Simkiss, Geoff Simpson and Jim Teague.

In Attendance: Jackie Griffin, Clerk.

Item 1: Apologies for Absence.
Councillor Julian Hitchcock.

Item 2: Declarations of Interest.
None declared.

Item 3: Community Police Matters.
No police report available.

Item 4: To discuss 'Community Speedwatch'.
The Clerk reported that she was waiting for the Volunteer forms and would chase up PC Williams.

Councillor Bonnar referred to the recently introduced speed limit of 20mph through Aberthin. It was noted that the 30mph speed limit in St Athan has been extended for a greater distance.

Item 5: To consider the minutes of the Meeting held 1st July 2021.
Proposed by Councillor Llewellyn, seconded by Councillor Simpson 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 The Clerk confirmed that she has not received any 'follow-up' from the attendance of the Member of the Standards Committee to the Council meeting in June but would ask if there would be any report back to the Community Council.

6.2 (Item 13.2) – Reported that this matter has now been resolved.

Item 7: Chairman's Report.
No report.

Item 8: Clerk's Report
Finances.
Bank balance was noted at **£6,031.58** (Current Account £5,135.41 and Business Reserve Account £896.17).

Item 8:

Clerk's Report (Continued)

Payments made since 1st July 2021 are:

Clerk's Salary (July and August) - £154.26 x 2 = £308.52;

HMRC Tax (July and August) - £38.57 x 2 = £77.14.

Payments due to be made are:

Clerk's Salary (September) - £154.26;

HMRC Tax (September) - £38.57;

One Voice Wales (Councillor Hitchcock attending Charing Skills)
£15.00;

J Griffin (Reimbursement of Zoom Meeting Fees – April - August) -
£71.95.

Monies received:

Second Precept payment via the Vale of Glamorgan Council - £1,536.

Item 9:

Report on suggested laptops to purchase for the Community Council.

Councillor Bonnar reminded Members of the discussion at the last meeting regarding the Council's documents currently being on a private laptop and how the Council have a 'duty of care' and should have its own laptop containing its documentation.

The Clerk advised that some investigation has been carried out and that she has seen a number of suitable laptops on the 'John Lewis' website and many came with a 3-year guarantee.

A number of Councillors recommended HDCS Ltd at Llandow who are a very reliable company and could more than likely assist with such a purchase.

The Clerk to make enquiries with HDCS Ltd.

Item 10:

To Discuss Installation of a Defibrillator in Llandough.

A detailed document has been received from the Llandough Village Community Group giving full details of the project so far. The cost of the project is estimated at £3,197 with £2,197 raised by donations from residents and a contribution from the Community Group.

Members were concerned at the high cost in relation to the installation of the electricity connection from Western Power at £1,406 but this is because the chosen option is to site the defibrillator in the centre of the village feeding from an existing lamp post.

The Members agreed that a site meeting should be arranged to investigate the proposal.

Councillor Bonnar suggested two possible avenues for funding:

- Western Power "In This Together – Community Matters Fund".
- Vale of Glamorgan – Strong Communities Grants Fund.

The Clerk to write to the Community Group suggesting that applications be made to both funding streams.

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Item 11: Reports of Representatives.

Councillor Simpson advised that the meetings of the local committee of One Voice Wales and the Cardiff and Vale University Health Board are scheduled for the end of September.

Councillor Bonnar advised that the next meeting of the Community Liaison Committee will be held on 4th October 2021.

Item 12: Correspondence and Publications.

- 12.1 Letter from Joel James MS offering to meet with the Council to assist with any issues they are experiencing.
Members **resolved** to invite Mr James to attend one of their forthcoming meetings.
- 12.2 Electoral Reform Newsletter – June & July 2021- **Noted.**
- 12.3 Chief Executive of Cardiff and Vale University Health Board's Newsletter - **Noted.**
- 12.4 Letter from Welsh Government re Zero Carbon Public Sector by 2030 - **Noted.**
- 12.5 E-mail from One Voice Wales regarding a message from The Ramblers.
Members discussed footpath clearances and particularly that the footpath from the Rocky to the Herberts which is overgrown. It was reported that, when the path was constructed, the Vale of Glamorgan Council promised to maintain the footpath.
Clerk to report to the Footpaths Officer.
- 12.6 OVW (One Voice Wales) News Bulletin August 2021 - **Noted.**
- 12.7 VGC (Vale of Glamorgan Council) – re meeting with Public Services Board - **Noted.**
- 12.8 OVW – 'Operation London Bridge' - **Noted.**
- 12.9 OVW – Social Farms & Gardens – Wales CSA Summer Gathering 17th & 18th July - **Noted.**
- 12.10 OVW – Remote training sessions for August and September 2021 - **Noted.**
- 12.11 OVW – New Year's Honours 2022 - **Noted.**
- 12.12 OVW – Delivery well-being with Donut Economics - **Noted.**
- 12.13 Transport for Wales – Community Woodlands Grant - **Noted.**
- 12.14 Monmouth Building Society – Funding available from MBS Charitable Trust – **Noted.**

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Item 12: Correspondence and Publications (Continued)

- 12.15 OVW – A Call for Communities in Wales to submit their interest to improve paths and nature.
Members discussed the document and a proposal for a wildflower meadow. It was agreed to seek advice from One Voice Wales.
Councillor Simpson will speak to Shan Bowden of One Voice Wales.
- 12.16 OVW – Queen's Platinum Jubilee Beacons.
Councillor Llewellyn advised that at a St Hilary Village Meeting, a discussion had taken place on lighting a Beacon.
Clerk to print off the information and forward to Councillor Llewellyn.
- 12.17 Public Services Ombudsman for Wales – Updated guidance in support of 2016 Model Code of Conduct – **Noted.**

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

- 13.1 Members discussed the resurfacing of roads which had been carried out in Llandough. Disappointment was expressed that large patches had been done rather than a complete resurfacing.
- 13.2 Councillor Llewellyn expressed the grateful thanks of Llanfair Primary School Governors to Councillor Simkiss for his dedication and contribution, particularly with regard to health and safety, during his tenure as a School Governor.

Item 14: Planning Applications.

- 14.1 Planning Application No. **2021/01000/FUL**
Location: Huntsmans Cottage, Llandough
Proposal: Proposed single storey rear extension to form new family lounge, incorporating a link to the existing first floor garage to form an additional bedroom and en-suite bathroom.
The Community Council **objects** on the following grounds:
 1. The Architect has failed to show that this is one of a pair of semi-detached cottages, with the already larger one being Huntsman Cottage.
 2. The extension doubles the footprint of the original house.
 3. The proposed extension is within a meter of the boundary of Whips Cottage and will have a detrimental effect on the neighbouring property and its inhabitants.
- 14.2 Planning Application No. **2021/01033/FUL**
Location: Land at Marche House, Llantrithyd Road, St Hilary
Proposal: Erection of a timber stable block and training manege / arena with new access point. Existing Agricultural Land – Change of use to Equestrian.
No objection, although there is some concern regarding the access to the Highway.

Item 14: Planning Applications (Continued)

14.3 Planning Application No. **2021/01128/FUL**

Location: Eastdown Farm Cottage, St Hilary

Proposal: Extension and link block to create additional living accommodation.

No objection.

14.4 **Result of recent Planning Applications:**

None to report.

Item 15: Place, Date and Time of Next Meeting

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

..... Chairman

Date : 2nd September 2021.