

**CYNGOR Y CYMUNED –LLANFERRES – COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the General Meeting Held Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2014**

**Present:** Cllr. David Jones (Chair), Cllr. Rob Armstrong, Cllr. Margaret Davies, Cllr. Rob Jones, Cllr John Almond, Cllr D Twomey, Cllr. Yvonne Foden-McCorry, Members of the public and the Clerk, Mrs Dillon.

1. **Apologies:** Cllr. Olive Parry, Cllr. Jac Armstrong, Cllr Holland
2. **Declarations of Interest** - *Members to declare any personal or prejudicial interests in any business identified to be considered at this meeting.* Cllr David Jones declared an interest in the Planning Application No. 21/2014/0033 and signed the register.
3. **Meeting Open to Public** – The dropped kerbs placed outside Tyn Llan Farm have been welcomed. Concerns have been expressed with regard to a recent planning application for the Glebe Field and alterations, which were proposed to the pathway, and kissing gate. This had been discussed in the initial planning application and the conditions laid down at this time need to be checked. *Cllr Holland had agreed to raise questions re any proposed changes in the plans.* It was also agreed to raise the question on the building and archaeological interest – a visual inspection was carried out at the time of the planning application and old records were examined but nothing was found (Tony King confirmed this). An Archaeologist should be present on site when the footings are dug.
4. **County Councillor's Report** - Cllr Holland had tendered his apologies and the Chairman, on his behalf, reported on the following:
  - a) The Community Council were informed that the Gritter would not travel the length of Forestry Road as it was unable to turn around. *This road has always been gritted in the past and there is sufficient area to turn around in the Moel Famau car park.*
  - b) The County Council Meetings, including Planning, will be filmed for the internet, as from April 2014 onwards.
  - c) The average traffic speed recorded on Forestry Road was below 38 mph. The 'Drive Alive' Team will be invited to attend early morning to monitor early traffic.
  - d) The ditches on Forestry Road require clearing.
  - e) A questionnaire from the County Council was to be circulated regarding comments on the verges grass cutting. *Cllr Almond agreed to draw up the response for sending in.*
  - f) With regard to the Williams Report and the merger between Denbighshire and Conwy, The response from the Denbighshire Authority was negative.
  - g) With regard to the LDP Consultation Document – there was a poor response from the initial consultation.
  - h) As previously mentioned, the pavement outside the Church and Tyn Llan Farm has been repaired and dropped kerbs inserted.
  - i) At the bottom of Tyn Llan a 'Road Closed' Notice had been placed. All residents in Tyn Llan should have received a letter to explain the partial closure due to highway maintenance.
5. **Minutes of the Last Meeting**

The Minutes of the General Meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2014 were received and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.
6. **Matters Arising**

Hill to Maeshafn – has not been completely swept from top to bottom.

Highway Maintenance – large potholes have now appeared in Rectory Lane and Cae Gwyn.
7. **Reports from Other Meetings Attended** – Cllr Margaret Davies attended the recent 'One Voice Wales' Area Meeting, and gave a short report.

Cllr David Jones & Cllr John Almond attended the recent Planning Workshop – Permitted Development. The new legislation was found to be very confusing. Nothing has really changed within an Area of Outstanding Beauty as the area has its own legislation.

8. **Maintenance in the Community** – Maeshafn Play Area has now had its Annual Inspection and the Inspection Report will be circulated. *\*Agenda Item for March*
9. **Red Telephone Kiosks – Information Boards** – no further update in relation to the Information Boards. The matter will be discussed by the School, as a project to generate ideas. The use of a De-fibrillator was dismissed as it would need a power source. An acknowledgement for the work on the Kiosk carried out by Mr Fernyhough was noted in the 'News and Views', in addition to formal thanks from the Community Council.
10. **Risk Assessment** – the current list, which requires amendment will be addressed at the next meeting. The Insurance cover information has been passed to Cllr Jac Armstrong for his comment. Will need to consider liability for the Community Open Space *\*Agenda Item next Meeting*
11. **Landscape Project – Memorial Stone** – A Re-Dedication Service is being considered. A list of names of the community members who lost their lives for their Country was circulated for comment. It was *agreed* that a sub-committee be formed to meet and discuss the issues raised. A formal letter of thanks was to be sent to Mr. N Headley the research work he has undertaken.
12. **Community Council Website** – The aim is to now list the Clerk and the Councillors contact details and their representation on different committees. To add the Agenda and the adopted Minutes of each meeting (these will therefore be in arrears). Invite Mr. Paul Gothorp to attend the next meeting.
13. **Training and Finance** – none raised.
14. **Bus Services in the Community** – a petition has been raised to request changes to improve the services for Eryrys, Grainrhyd and Maeshafn. There were implications for the removal of the subsidy. It was *agreed* however, that the final options may be fair. It was also *agreed* to encourage the County to look at the current summer season bus shuttle service from Loggerheads to Moel Famau.
15. **Dog Control Orders** – the County propose to raise dog control orders to all Public areas. The recommendation is to ban dogs from play areas and they are asking for suggestions where dogs should be on leads etc. It was agreed that dogs should not be allowed on the community open space whilst work is being carried out, due to health and safety issues. It has been brought to the Community Council's attention that there are suppliers of orchard trees (Welsh varieties) in the Bangor area. Further information will be obtained.
16. **Bills** –
 

HMRC (February)		£29.20
Clerk's Salary (Direct Debit)		£**
Play Inspection Report (Maeshafn)		£78.00
DVLC – Invoice for cost of Payroll Services		£120.00
GreenThumb Lawn Services (Winter Treatment)		£49.00
Administration Expenses		£151.38
17. **Highway Verges – Grass Cutting – Have they got it right?** Following Cllr Holland's information regarding the questionnaire, the Community Council agree that the grass cutting should be a lot less and not as short. This should not be carried out until July. The excess grass should be removed and not left as it enriches the ground, kills grasses and makes the trees grow in a healthy way. Cllr Almond will prepare the response as reported previously.

**18. Planning Matters**

21/2013/1564 Proposal: Erection of a wood store, summerhouse, patio roofed area and creation of a small lake

Location: Ty'n yr Ynn Maeshafn

*Resolved: To offer no objection to the proposals.*

21/2014/0038 Proposal: Erection of replacement dwelling (amended design).

Location: 8 Bryn Artro Avenue Tafarn-y-Gelyn

*Resolved: To offer no objection to the proposals*

21/2014/0033 Proposal: Erection of block building to rear of dwelling for storage of garden equipment.

Location: 16 Rectory Lane Llanferres

∴ Cllr David Jones left the meeting while this item was discussed.

*Resolved: an objection on the following basis; it is noted that in the recent document, 'Welsh Government – Planning: a guide for Householders', the application does not conform to Section 'C'. As the building is in an area of outstanding natural beauty, the total floor space should be limited to 10sqm.*

A planning application had been received after the Agenda was issued and will be dealt with in the next meeting:

21/2014/ 0147 Proposal: Change of use of dwelling to form a Visitors Centre and Provision of passing bays along the access track.

**19. Maeshafn Playing Field** – ongoing still awaiting the outcome of the enquiry with regard to a right of way and the boundary lines.

**20. Correspondence list** – together with items of correspondence discussed above and other minor items of information, the following were received

a) Copies of 'The Voice' – circulated

E-Mail Documentation

From 'One Voice Wales'

Information regarding the Consultation document on Audit Fees

Information regarding the Consultation on Marine Planning

Invitation to attend a Conference on Conserving & Maintaining Welsh War Memorials to be held in Builth Wells on 27/03/14.

From Denbighshire County Council

Third Sector Single Point of Interest Co-ordinator – Vacancy

Re-Surfacing Bulletin for Tyn Llan

Consultation on Flood Risk Management Strategy

**21. Other Matters Brought to Councillor's attention:**

i) Cllr Yvonne Foden-McCorry tendered her apologies for the March Meeting.

**22. Date of next Meeting:** Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2014 in Llanferres Village Hall.

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Chairman .....