

CYNGOR Y CYMUNED – LLANFERRES – COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Minutes of the Meeting Held Thursday 10th MARCH 2016

Present: Cllr. David Jones (Chair), Cllr John Almond, Cllr D Twomey, Cllr. Rob Jones, Cllr. Rob Armstrong, Cllr Martyn Holland, County Councillor and the Clerk, Mrs Dillon. Members of the public were present.

1. **Apologies:** Cllr. Margaret Davies, Cllr Jac Armstrong, Cllr Yvonne Foden-McCorry, Cllr Adrian Walls was not present.
2. **Meeting Open to the Public** – no items were raised.
3. **Declarations of Interest** - Cllr Rob Armstrong signed the Declaration relating to the funding request from St. Berres Parochial Church Council.
4. **Mins of Meeting Held 11th February 2016** - The Minutes of the General Meeting held on 11th February 2016 were received and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.
5. **Matters Arising** – A site meeting between the Highways Department and Councillor Holland is still to take place to discuss the numerous road maintenance issues raised at the last meeting. It was confirmed that the County Council did re-surface Rectory Lane in 1993.

The sign for the 'turning area' in Cae Derwen is now being manufactured. The Company will liaise with Cllr Almond on site if required.

The Clerk sent a letter of complaint to the Editor of 'Focus' magazine in relation to the 'snow' incidents at Cadole. *No response has been received.*

6. **County Councillor's Report** – Cllr Holland raised the following:
 - a) The hedgerows around the school – the County had been negotiating to appoint a new contractor. Cllr Almond (whose property adjoins the school field), had cut his side of the hedgerow when the contractor arrived. Cllr Holland will pursue the trimming of the hedgerow around the public carpark which is thought to be covered by Housing.
 - b) Following an accident on the A494, Cllr Holland will request double white lines up to just below the Clwyd Gate. This is a Welsh Government maintained road.
 - c) There are Bus Route changes coming into force and there are new Bus Timetables now available.
 - d) There has been a delay in the commencement of the new car park at Loggerheads this will now start in July 2016. The Cilcain Road will be closed for the duration.
 - e) A visit is to be arranged to visit Aberduna Quarry to see the extent of the landscaping taking place. *Cllr's John Almond and Dave Tomey will attend when a date is known.*
 - f) Ex Cllr Olive Parry will be home from hospital on Monday.
 - g) Parking fees in Denbighshire are set to rise.
7. **Reports from Other Meetings:** - None to report.
8. **Maintenance in the Community** –The gully adjacent to the Play Area is getting blocked and needs to be cleared out.
9. **Red Telephone Kiosk – update** – The article in the News & Views did not generate any interest in a local resident using the Telephone Kiosk to sell local produce. The Clerk consulted with British Telecom with regard to the use of the Kiosks as a possible WiFi connection. It may prove to be too costly to set up. Use of a difibrillator is still being pursued.
10. **Risk Assessments** – none raised.

- 11. Maes Ysgawen– Community Open Space** – The hedging requires pruning around the site. The fruit trees are growing successfully and the Rowans will be left to develop naturally. It was suggested that a ‘meeting’ be arranged to organise a ‘tidy up’ day for the area.
- 12. Training & Finance Issues** – no issues raised with regard to Training. An Invoice has been raised for the annual fee for the rental of the Village Hall – this is deferred until April.
 The Internal Auditor previously used by the Community Council has now stepped down. The new Internal Auditor will be JDH Services Mold.
 Information was presented with regard to the purchase of a new laptop for the Community Council but it was requested that a more up-to-date version of the Acer Aspire be sought.
 The Clerk has now circulated the new e-mail address for the Community Council clerk.llanferres@gmail.com. Also circulated is the new password for access onto the ‘One Voice Wales’ website.
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| 13. Bills | HMRC (March) | £38.60 |
| | Clerk’s Salary (Direct Debit) | £*** |
| | Play Inspection Report | £65.00 |
| | Village Hall Rent (March) | £10.00 |
| | Administration Expenses | £184.27 |
| | Denbs Vol Payroll Services | £120.00 |
- 14. Planning Matters** – none to date
- 15. Maeshafn Play Area** – Play Inspection has now taken place and the Report received and circulated. The Clerk has contacted a Play Company to get an estimate for the cost of replacing some of the worn equipment. The Solicitors have now informed the Community Council that the Deed of Transfer will be available soon for signature.
- 16. Correspondence list** – the following correspondence, together with items of correspondence discussed above was received:
E-Mail documentation – a) Information regarding the Section 137 Expenditure limit – now raised to £7.42 per elector.
 b) Copy of the One Voice Wales response to the Draft Plan for the Local Government changes.
 c) Denbshire County Council’s information on the Self-Regulatory Protocols for Town and Community Councils – Draft. *Comments to this draft are encouraged.*
**Agenda Item for April.*
- 17. Other Matters Brought to Councillor’s attention:**
 1) It was reported that the drain was blocked in Forestry Road just above Bryn Eithin.
 2) Parking alongside the road up to Moel Famau is increasing and causing damage to the grass verges. This may in part be caused by the rise in car parking charges at the Moel Famau Car Park (now £2.00).
- 18. Date of next Meeting:** General Meeting, scheduled to take place on Thursday 21st April 2016 at 7:30 pm in Llanferres Village Hall.

Date:

Chairman