

**MINUTES OF LLANDYFAELOG COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON 3 OCTOBER 2024 AT 7.30PM**

1. Present: Cllrs Nicola Jones (Chairman), Philip Davies, Meinir James, Elfyn Williams, Janet Knott, Rheinallt Jones, Shan Rees, Eifion Jones, Jenny Jones and Arfon Davies (Clerk).

Apologies: Cllrs Carys Thomas, Viv Davies and County Councillor Tyssul Evans

2. Declarations of Interest

No declarations.

3. Public Participation

It was noted that no Members of the public were in attendance on this occasion.

4. Minutes of the meeting of Council held on the 5th September 2024 were confirmed and signed.

5. Matters Arising

- 1. Planning application, PL/02147 in property in woodland area – Idole to Pentrepoeth** – Council awaited further updates on the matter. Noted.
- 2. Concerns relating to parking on double yellow lines in Llandyfaelog** – Council awaited further updates on the matter. Noted.
- 3. FP29/4 Pentrepoeth** – Council awaited further updates on the matter. Noted.
- 4. Planning Enforcement Issues at fields in Idole** – Confirmation was received that a visit had been undertaken in relation to ‘Billy’s Wild Camping’, it appeared from the Enforcement Team, that this was the same location as the other issue awaiting action by the County Council Legal Team. Noted.
- 5. National Grid – Substation in Llandyfaelog Area** – The Clerk noted that approval had been provided to publish the minutes of both meetings held with the National Grid and the local MP. Joyce Watson MS had responded to the Council’s offer of a meeting, but had confirmed she had a policy of not meeting with individual Community Council due to the number in the area she represents. Jane Dodds MS had said she was not available. Adam Price MS and Cefin Campbell MS had offered to meet the Council, mutually convenient dates will therefore be sought. It was also noted that the Council had received information on a Ground Investigation Survey which had been carried out by the National Grid on the 26th September. Noted.
- 6. Road safety issues at Bancycapel** – It was noted that the signage for the 40mph speed limit had been installed. The Clerk confirmed that following making contact with local MSs and the MP in relation to the need for the project to include a ‘no overtaking zone’, responses had been received. Joyce Watson MS had written to the County Council Chief Executive to request information as to whether this could be implemented. Jane Dodds MS had offered to support the Community Council and a letter of support was received from Adam Price MS with Dame Nia Griffith MP also noting her

support. The Clerk will collate the responses for forwarding to the County Council.

7. **Speed feedback sign at Cwmffrwd** – It was noted that the signs had been replaced.
8. **Footway lights at Frondeg** – The County Council had confirmed that the lights in question were not classified as traffic lighting and were therefore not in place for a specific legal reason. Following extensive consideration of the matter it was agreed not to proceed with removal of the units. The Clerk will provide details of the costs of the current provision to members.
9. **Council Chairman's Chain** – The Clerk continued to seek prices for new name badges for the Chain.
10. **Tree cutting in Croesyceiliog - FP 29 4/1 and 4/2** – Council awaited further updates on the matter. Noted.
11. **Waiting restrictions proposals for Ysgol Gyfun Gymraeg Bro Myrddin** - Council awaited further updates on the matter. Noted.
12. **PL/04973 - 1-4 Gelligaeros Trading Estate, Cwmffrwd, Carmarthen, SA32 8DJ** - Council awaited further updates on the matter. Noted.
13. **Llangunnor sign in Bolahaul Road** – Council awaited further updates on the matter. Noted.
14. **Daffodil Planting Project** – Daffodil bulbs had been distributed to Bancycapel, Croesyceiliog and Llandyfaelog. Bulbs had also been provided to the Council Handyperson for planting at the Village Sign planters. Planting days with Cwmffrwd WI, St Ishmaels YFC and Cywion Bach were to be arranged at Idole and Cwmffrwd. The Handyperson will be asked for advice on the areas for planting within Community Amenities.
15. **Maesglasnant, Cwmffrwd** – Confirmation was received that the matter had not progressed and remained with the legal team. Noted.

6. Correspondence

1. **Dyfed Powys Police and Crime Commissioner** – Information on Police and Crime Commissioner Engagement Events held in September. Noted.
2. **One Voice Wales** – Recruitment Induction and Retention of Clerks Guide. Noted.
3. **One Voice Wales** – Information on a Joint One Voice Wales / SLCC event to be held on the 20th November 2024. Noted.
4. **One Voice Wales** - Practice Development Note 8 Code of Conduct: Members and Officers. Noted.
5. **One Voice Wales** – Training events September – December. Noted.
6. **Carmarthenshire County Council** – Information on the Actif Sports Awards. A nomination for Eddie James will be considered.
7. **One Voice Wales** - Carmarthenshire State of Nature Report. Noted.
8. **Carmarthenshire County Council** – Temporary road closure: U2231, Kidwelly (SA17 5AU) from a point 1.3 Kilometres South West of its junction with the A484 for a distance of 100 metres in a South Westerly direction on Thursday 21st November 2024 between the hours of 09:30 and 15:30. Noted.
9. **Carmarthenshire County Council** - Notice of Conclusion of Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places. Noted.

- 10. Senedd Cymru - Local Government and Housing Committee -**
Consultation into the role, governance and accountability of the community and town council sector. Noted.
- 11. Welsh Government –** Consultation on the Infrastructure (Wales) Act 2024. Noted.
- 12. Angor –** Offer for the Angor Cancer Charity to visit the Community Council. The offer will be accepted.
- 13. Welsh Government -** Consultation: Scrutiny of the Welsh Government Draft Budget 2025-26. Noted.
- 14. One Voice Wales –** Agenda and papers for the Area Committee meeting to be held on the 7th October 2024. Noted.
- 15. Carmarthenshire County Council –** Temporary road closure: C2075 Kidwelly, from its junction with the C2074 Ferryside for a total distance of 1.2km in a south easterly direction from Monday 25th November 2024 to Thursday 28th November 2024. Noted.
- 16. Carmarthenshire County Council -** Town & Community Councils Update. Noted.
- 17. Bro Cydweli Local Ministry Area –** Invitation to the Licensing Service held on the 25th September at St Mary's Church Kidwelly, making Fr Jim Flanagan the Rural Dean. The Vice-Chair had attended on behalf of the Council. Noted.
- 18. Barclays Bank –** Statements. Noted.
- 19. Carmarthenshire County Council –** Emergency road closure - length of road known as U2231 Kidwelly from its junction with the A484, for a distance of 120 metres in a south-westerly direction on 3rd October 2024 for a period of 2 days. Noted.
- 20. Welsh Government -** Invitation to Participate in the Rural Housing Action Guide for Wales Project Online Survey. Noted.
- 21. Cerebral Palsy Cymru –** Thank you letter for the Council's recent donation. Noted.
- 22. Lowri Jones -** Thank you letter for the Council's recent donation to the Prince Philip Hospital Gardens Appeal. It was noted that the Fundraising Evening had raised over £25,000 for the cause. A letter of congratulations will be sent to Lowri on this excellent achievement.

7. Idole Field and Council Amenities

1. Bancycapel Bus Shelter

The Shelter guttering was noted to have been repaired.

8. Community Handyperson

The Clerk confirmed 28 hours worked in September with a cost of £616.00 approved. Grass cutting charges for September at a cost of £308.00 was also approved.

9. Community Events

1. Remembrance Sunday

Arrangements for Remembrance Sunday on the 10th November were discussed. The Clerk confirmed that he had contacted the Church, Royal

British Legion, Kidwelly Branch and the Bugler. Confirmation was received for a Church Service at 2.00pm followed by Wreath Laying at Tir Gof.

10. 2024-25 Budget Report

The Clerk presented the 2nd quarter budget report for the 2024-25 Financial Year. Council carried out the quarterly budget monitoring and accepted the report.

The Chairman audited the Council financial records for the year.

11. Planning

1. **PL/08333** - Extension to living area - White Fields Cottage, Heol Nantylasdwyr, Cwmffrwd, Carmarthen, SA31 2LS. No objections.

12. Applications for Financial Assistance

1. **Cllrs Meinir James, Shan Rees and Rheinalt Jones noted their interest in the matter.**

Eisteddfod Gadeiriol Llandyfaelog – A donation of £75.00 was approved.

13. Accounts

a) The following payments were approved:

1.	Description	Salary	Expenses	Total Gross	Tax Deducted	NI Deducted	Net Pay
Arfon Davies	September Salary and costs	£722.43	£26.00 £7.00 £18.00 £6.80	£780.23	£298.60		£481.63

2. **HM Revenue and Customs** £895.80 Deductions June – September
3. **Vision ICT** £300.00 Website subscription (£250.00 plus £50.00 VAT)
4. **Michael Leefe** £616.00 Handyperson September (see item 8)
5. **Michael Leefe** £318.00 Grass cutting September (see item 8)
6. **Eisteddfod Gadeiriol Llandyfaelog** £75.00 Donation (see item 12.1)

14. Any Other Business

1. The Clerk noted the following issues reported to the County Council:
 - a. Flytipping between Lan Farm and Lan Farm bungalow.
 - b. Flytipping between Lan and Bryncoch.
 - c. Road flooding between Garthowen and Bryngors.
2. A damaged bus stop sign at Cwmffrwd will be reported to the County Council.
3. It was noted that John Griffiths, Ty Hir had expressed thanks to the Community Council for its support ensuring that works were completed to improve the road junction at the property.

4. The Council Christmas lunch will be held on the 8th December, it was hoped that the Red Lion would be available.

The next meeting of Council will be held on Thursday 7th November 2024.