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LLANDRILLO COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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**Minutes of the Llandrillo CC Ordinary Council Meeting
held on Thursday 4 November, 2021**

The meeting commenced at 7:06 pm

Present: Councillors Becky Mollison-White (Chair), David Robinson – via Zoom, Anne Williams (Vice Chair), Eira Lewis, Huw Lloyd, David Williams, Rhiannon Jones and John Jones.

The Clerk and RFO, Siân E Thomas, was also present.

Councillor Becky Mollison-White welcomed everyone to the meeting.

- 82. Apologies** were received from Councillor Brynley Owen.
- 83. Declarations of Interest:** The Chair asked for any Declarations of Interests. Cllr Rhiannon Jones declared an interest in the Ti a Fi item 90 and Cllr David Williams has a personal interest in Item 88b.
- 84. Public Participation Session.**
No members of the public attended.
- 85. Minutes of the Meeting held on 1 October 2021.** Council, having considered the Minutes, agreed they are a true record and can be signed.
- 86. Matters Arising from the Meeting**
- a. Lee Christy from DCC has been contacted but due to a global shortage of microchips the work is on hold.
 - b. A green bin has been ordered for the Cemetery.
 - c. Four benches have been ordered for the cemetery and park.
 - d. A letter of support has been sent regarding MBEs for the village's previous shopkeepers.
 - e. Glan Ceidiog . The CC has received information, including a map, from Glenys Edwards showing that it's not common land, and this has been confirmed by DCC. **Action:** Clerk to respond to Glenys saying that currently it's not in our power to stop people using that land. However, the CC will keep an eye on the situation and wait to

hear from the Land Registry due to the land being part of the riverbank and possible future problems with flooding issues.

87. Finance Issues

- a. The RFO gave an update on the banking situation and financial tasks outstanding and confirmed that the accounts for 2021-21 are with the internal auditors.
- b. The RFO presented the Schedule of Payments for October 2021 and it was agreed to accept them, including all the payments.
- c. **Action:** Clerk to calculate the amounts spent on grasscutting for this year and circulate to all Councillors.
- d. Bank account charges – the new HSBC charges were discussed.

88. Planning Matters

- a. Application ref 07/2021/1026
Action: Clerk to contact DCC to inform them of the parking issues and unsuitable vehicular access at the property.
- b. Application ref 07/2021/0684.
Action: Clerk to contact DCC to inform them that the CC are objecting to this proposal as it's detrimental to the landscape.

89. Defibrillator

The Clerk has received a phone call from a member of the Welsh Ambulance Service, Tomos Hughes, saying that in future the CC may be asked to pay for the batteries and pads for the defibrillator as the ambulance service no longer has the means to fund it. The battery costs £25 from them and the pads around £65. They didn't want to just send the Council an invoice before councillors had been warned but he also said that the ambulance service may still find the funds for them in the future.

90. Contribution to Ti a Fi

An email has been received requesting a donation. Council discussed the matter and **Resolved:** to make a donation of £100.
Action: Clerk to send a cheque to them

91. Playing Field Access and Fence

Councillor D Robinson has asked DCC for advice on the gates and fence of the playing field and is waiting for their response.

92. Windfarm

A discussion took place regarding the proposed windfarm in the area.

Action: Clerk to check the minutes relating to the previous application circa May 2017 and to ask Llandderfel and Cynwyd Community Councils for their reactions to the proposal.

93. Proposed New Website –

The cost of the current website is going to increase from £150 pa to £250 next March. This seems like a good time to consider whether we want to change our website. The current one doesn't really comply with legislation, and in the future it's likely that all websites will have to be bilingual. A local company has quoted us £750 for a new website, but this includes the £150 fee for the first year, followed by an annual fee of £150. This website would be compliant and has the ability to be bilingual. Currently the website is hosted by an external company, if this change was to be made then the Clerk would be responsible for updates made to the website and the Council would have more control over the website. **Action:** To have this as an agenda item next month.

94. Welsh Language Policy

A draft policy has been circulated to Councillors. **Resolved:** to adopt the policy. **Action:** Clerk to get the policy translated into Welsh.

95. Education in the Community

An email has been received from the Head of Education in DCC stating that the Cynwyd school is big enough for current pupil numbers and for a small increase in numbers. Councillors expressed concern that the yard itself is too small for the pupil numbers as they are not allowed to go onto the grass when it's wet. **Action:** Clerk to contact DCC to ask them for a formal response to the petition that was originally sent to them, with answers regarding the school capacity inside and outside following their investigations into it. Also, to ask them what they are doing about Nursery Provision in Llandrillo? This was promised following the closure of the school.

96. Common Land

Glanaber/Glandwr. A response is awaited from DCC and the Land Registry regarding the loss of common land to the village. Additionally, the land is an overflow to river and is required for maintenance to the river.

97. Speed Indicator Device

The landowner on the East side of the Village doesn't want the CC to use his land to erect the sign. Cllr Robinson has met with DCC and

unless the hedge is kept short the sign cannot be erected on the opposite side, where there is permission off that landowner. The sign is to be erected on the West side of the village at Ffynnon Wen. **Action:** Clerk to circulate cost of the SID to Councillors. 1 sign will be purchased now for the West side, Councillors to consider purchasing a further sign next year for the East side.

98. **Correspondence for Review – please see list attached list.**
- a. Queen's Jubilee – **Resolved:** To hold a street party to celebrate the occasion, rather than to light a beacon.
 - b. There are 3 contenders for DCC election to be held on 11 November 2021.
 - c. An email has been received from a local resident concerned that no representative from Llandrillo was at the DCC meeting held on 12/10/2021 to discuss the possible likelihood of flooding in the area, and that no work has been done to alleviate flooding even though Llandrillo is at more of a risk than Ruthin. DCC have responded to the email confirmed that Llandrillo is being considered.
 - d. Fly tipping at Bryn Dinam – Clerk has contacted DCC but as it's private land DCC are unable to do anything about it.
 - e. Boundary review. No official correspondence has been received by the Council but we have been informed by Cynwyd CC that Llandrillo would be in Maldwyn constituency. **Action:** Clerk to contact Boundary Commission/OVW to clarify what the actual situation is.
 - f. Emergency road closure at Cynwyd 9 – 14 November.
99. **Items brought to the Council's attention by Councillors**
- a. The B4401 at Wern Pistyll needs widening. **Action:** Clerk to contact the Head of Highways as there have been many near misses' involving buses and holiday makers.
 - b. Repairs are needed on the back road from Cynwyd to Tyfos as the road surface is not good. Cilan Bridge has been repaired but the repair work is unsatisfactory. **Action:** Clerk to contact Jim Hall at DCC.
 - c. The bank at Fordd Penant, Llandrillo - by the red phone box at the crossroads - has been damaged by a wide vehicle. **Action:** Clerk to contact DCC.
 - d. The Walking Group has updated DCC on the issues regarding the local footpaths.
 - e. BT engineers are going to replace the engine.
 - f. Councillor Robinson is keen that the CC applies for grants to improve the community, **Action:** Councillors to bring ideas to the next meeting in order to draw up an action plan.

- g. School Project. Members of a local group have been asking residents living in the boundary houses on their opinions as to what should now happen to the old school.
- h. The Chair has been asked to consider providing charging points for electric cars in the village. **Action:** Cllr Robinson to look for any grants available.

100. The next Ordinary Meeting of the Council is to be held on Friday 3 December 2021 at the Canolfan at 7pm. Covid regulations will be strictly adhered to.

The Meeting closed at 8:50pm

Sian E Thomas

Clerk and RFO

Approved as being a correct record by:

Designation: Chair

Date: 2/12/2021

Signed: *R. Molton-White*

Agenda Item – Correspondence for Review – all information has been emailed to Councillors.

1. Email from DCC regarding the proposed wind farm
2. Queen's Platinum Jubilee
3. Lovelivelocal Campaign
4. Many Neighbourhood Watch emails
5. Green Communities Project
6. Councillor Smart Survey
7. Self-Evaluation Toolkit
8. Home Security
9. Protecting our Natural Environment