



## Llangattock Community Council CYNGOR CYMUNED LLANGATWG

The following are the minutes of a meeting of Llangattock Community Council's [Planning and Environment committee](#), held online on [Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November 7pm](#)

**Attendance:** Cllr G Jones, Cllr K Inglis, Cllr J Rees, Cllr G Dobbs, Cllr A Williams

**Public Participation**

None

53/21	<b>Apologies for absence</b>	Cllr R Jones
54/21	<b>Members' declarations of interest</b>	None
55/21	<p><b>Minutes of the meeting of the 14<sup>th</sup> of October &amp; Matters Arising</b>  <b>Proposed:</b> Cllr K Inglis  <b>Seconded:</b> Cllr A Williams  <b>Resolution:</b> the minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record with the changes below.</p> <p>The clerk shared the minutes on screen and updated a couple of changes as given by Cllr K Inglis.</p> <p><b>Matters Arising:</b>  Cllr G Jones confirmed that these will be updated in 56/21 and 57/21, there were no other matters arising.</p>	
56/21	<p><b>Updates from the Environment Committee – Cllr K Inglis</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>EG charging in Llangattock (LGV &amp; working group)</b>  The working group met on Monday, a few members of LGV attended as part of the group. The charge points were discussed. The specific points from the main meeting were discussed, there is no any funding available from the Government for community groups. They agreed that the Rectory would be a good plan B if the church view car park was not deemed to be right. The Talybont scheme was discussed, it was a different scenario. It was confirmed that Crickhowell will be having an EV car sharing scheme. They clarified the costs and ongoing costs. The project would include three bays in the car park. Long term the project would break even, it is the first few years that would require support. LGV are focussing on the housing without driveways. The working group discussed the long term Crickhowell will also be having Powys funded points in their car park, the County Councillor is also in discussion in relation to the Powys owned car park in Llangattock. LGV would also be talking to residents some more in relation to who would use it.  The Clerk confirmed that she had taken a call from a resident who wanted to know if there would be a point in the church view car park, she had referred them to LGV so that they could use that information. We are awaiting further in formation at the next Environmental working group on the 6<sup>th</sup> December.</li> </ul>	

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- **COP Cymru and Wales Climate week**

The climate week in Wales is the 22<sup>nd</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> November. They wanted to be able to inform the residents of what the Council and community groups are doing already in Llangattock, it was planned to do this on the 28<sup>th</sup> of November when the panels and the Xmas lights were being placed. This is weather dependent. Cllr Inglis shared the different themes for the days for COP Wales, she would potentially produce a leaflet to give to people on the day.

- **Visit to Waste transfer station in Brecon**

The visit was attended by Cllrs and the County Councillor. It was informative. Cllr A Williams stated that it was worthwhile trip, it was incredible how much plastic was involved. County Councillor Jackie Charlton has done a press release on this trip.

- **Together for our Planet grant**

Cllr Inglis had already shared the application. The Motion is to ask to permission to send the application to finance who will then inform Full Council, this included the new safeguarding policy:

**Proposed:** Cllr A Williams

**Seconded** Cllr J Rees

**Resolved:** To pass the grant application to Finance for sign off

The safeguarding policy will be taken to full council on Tuesday.

- **Emergency Plans/update meeting with Stuart Eckley**

There was a meeting Wednesday, Stuart will be producing a resident's impact study and canvassing affected residents. The emergency plan is a live document that will be updated periodically. It is nearly ready to formally submit to this committee and full Council.

The flood wardens will be meeting next week, high vis jackets will be being ordered soon.

- **Next year's budget – bring down the amount to £1,000.00 and rename to Environment, request Council reserves to ringfence £1,000.**

Cllr G Jones thanked Cllr K Inglis for all her hard work on the previous item. Cllr G Jones spoke with regards to the current budget headings. She confirmed that the budgets current in place are yet to be spent, although it's the start of the winter season.

There is a shopping list currently being produced which appears to be approximately £400.00. There is a potential that some of the current money can be redirected/shared once this has been concluded.

Next year's budget was discussed with the idea above. It was proposed that this be looked at again once the shopping list had been concluded to see if any residual money could be VIERED to a different Council budget heading. It was decided that the Committee would propose to the Finance Committee that the budget in 2022-2023 be £1000.00 and a ringfenced amount of £1,000.00 in reserves for serious adverse events.

**Proposed:** Cllr A Williams

**Seconded:** Cllr K Inglis



	<p><b>Resolved:</b> It was decided that the Committee would propose to the Finance Committee that the budget in 2022-2023 be £1000.00 and a ringfenced amount of £1,000.00 in reserves for serious adverse events.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>This year's budget – spending option</b> This was discussed above</li><li>• <b>Health Impact Assessment of Climate Change in Wales Infographics</b> Cllr K Inglis confirmed that she had sent this around. It had been discussed with Cllr G Jones and it was felt that this was more for public bodies rather than the public at this stage. Some of this information could be used once the website is developed.</li></ul> <p>Cllr G Jones confirmed that the County Councillor is meeting on Friday with officers from Powys in relation to the bus stop request. Everyone is invited if they are available. She also stated that having LGV join the working group has been very helpful.</p>
57/21	<p><b>21/20435/FUL</b> Proposal Application Withdrawn</p> <p><b>21/20431/FUL</b> Recreation Ground Path (validated)</p> <p>The Clerk and Cllr Jones noted a recently uploaded document on the BBNPA Document Case from the <b>NPTC Tree Consultant Mike Higgins</b>, who had responded to the application with a list of comments and recommendations concerning the potential proximity of trees and hedges to the proposed perimeter path. Cllr G Jones drafted a response to the concerns and submitted a more detailed plan using satellite imagery to illustrate where the path will be in relation to any trees or hedges. LCC's response also confirmed that no pruning or removal of trees was required in order to install the perimeter path.</p> <p><b>21/20193/FUL</b> 1 Lime Trees Avenue The Planning Officer's Report was discussed and noted that the Officer felt that "in balance" the permission should be approved.</p> <p><b>21/210474/FUL</b> Glebe Field Path An improved cross-section profile of the path construction has been submitted and one more box signed to complete the paperwork.</p> <p>Cllr G Jones confirmed that progress and development of the <b>Powys Active Travel Plan</b> will become a standing item on the Planning section of the Committee Meeting and the Clerk confirmed correspondence had been received from Crickhowell Town Council. Their concerns were over the apparent disappearance of a safe walkway for pupils from Crickhowell High School to Llangattock village via Bullpit Meadow which was on the original ATP consultation drawings. In the absence of County Councillor Jackie Charlton, it was agreed that the Chair of P&amp;E would contact Jackie after the meeting to discuss.</p> <p>Cllr G Jones advised committee that herself and Cllr K Inglis would be attending an online seminar to <b>meet the new CEO of BBNPA</b> on 23<sup>rd</sup> November and would report back on the event at the next monthly meeting.</p> <p>Correspondence: Cllr G Jones updated committee on contact made with <b>Tarmac regarding their lorries using Llangattock village as a shortcut to the Kington quarries from the A465</b> Heads of the Valley major roadworks. The Transport Manager responded with assurances that our complaints</p>



	<p>were taken seriously and was advising all drivers at a hauliers meeting that evening that no lorries are allowed to go through Llangattock. Furthermore, if drivers were caught doing this they would have their hours docked. Cllr J Rees raised concern that local deliveries would have no alternative routes but Cllr G Jones confirmed that the restrictions would only apply to the large contract hauliers who were not on local deliveries.</p> <p>Late Correspondence: Received regarding an enquiry over a <b>legal matter and rights of public access to a local lane</b>. Under Data Protection legislation the detail of the letter could not be discussed openly and it was agreed that since LCC does not have jurisdiction over Highways; in the first instance the enquiry should be addressed directly to County Councillor Jackie Charlton.</p> <p>Chair finally invited comment on recent social media concerns over the proposed planning permission to site a glass recycling factory close to the border of BBNPA in Rassau. Although the planning application has been submitted through Blaenau Gwent PA, the siting of the factory is close to the top of Llangynidr and Llangattock Mountain and Cllr G Jones confirmed that she had been in contact with both NRW Welsh Raised Bogs Project, Sam Ridge BBNPA Peatland Officer and Jonathan Saville, NRW Conservation Officer for South Powys.</p> <p>Sam Ridge confirmed he would investigate to establish what consultations have taken place with BBNPA .</p> <p>Jonathan Saville (NRW) confirmed that they had been a consultee for the application for at least 2 years. He said there was plenty of pre-planning documents on the proposal but also reflected that the location had a huge background of previous pollution due to the steelworks and industry around this part of the Heads of the Valleys A465 area. Jonathan said that the most recent calculations on pollutants were not significantly high compared to usual agricultural practices in the South Powys uplands and Waun Ddu, Llangattock's very own Raised Bog was in a rain and pollution "shadow" of potential harmful contaminants as well as being 5km away from the proposed factory location. Habitat Regulation Assessments had not yet been seen and NRW have gone back to Blaenau Gwent PA requesting more details before submitting their response.</p> <p>Cllr J Rees commented that other pollutants and contaminants from the industrial estates along the A465 find their way across the mountain moors. Anecdotally, Jonathan Saville had said that since the closure of the steelworks in Ebbw Vale, the blanket bog on the top of the moors was now in much better condition than anywhere else in the rest of BBNPA.</p> <p>Awaiting and update from Sam Ridge (NRW) for an update at this stage.</p>
58/21	<b>Date of next committee meeting to be confirmed – 7<sup>th</sup> of December 2021</b>