

Llangattock Community Council - CYNGOR CYMUNED LLANGATWG

The following are the minutes of a meeting of Llangattock Community Council's Planning and environment committee to be held online on 1st November 2022 at 7pm

Attendance: Cllr G Jones (Chair), Cllr K Inglis, Cllr G Dobbs, Cllr J Rees, Cllr A Williams

Public Participation

None

37/22	Apologies for absence	Richard Jones
38/22	Members' declarations of interest	None
39/22	Minutes of the meeting of the 4th of October & Matters Arising: Proposed by Cllr A Williams and seconded by Cllr K Inglis, resolved to accept the minutes as a true and accurate record.	
40/22	Updates from the Environment Working Group: Green week events and finance Kate advised the committee that the events had now finished and she is reconciling expenditure with donations from refreshment takings. She is proposing to use surplus funds to run more Repair Cafes as they were felt to be successful and very popular with residents. Kate also advised that the Big Green week will be 10-18 th June, 2023 Trip to Sustainability centre, Newport A joint trip of EWB with Llangattock Green Valleys is planned at the invitation of Robert Price's Sustainable Energy Centre Coordinator, Eve Bruten. It will be a talk and guided tour of products available within the construction industry and coinciding with the monthly EWG meeting Eve will sit in to get an idea of the matters the council and LGV are dealing with. Transport costs to take up to 8 people there and back were discussed. Kay advised that there is a transport line in the budget to accommodate this cost. Website and resilience This was covered in the first item, there is money in together for our plant grant that is earmarked for this at present. Repair cafes This is ongoing and Kate is working on dates for 2023. KWT Orchard package Gail confirmed that the grant was supporting the Landfill Tax grant and was handed over to Llangattock Village Society as the volunteers attached to the project and she is involved with meeting with her and the KWT inspector. There are approximately 300 bulbs. Kate thanked Gail for the work in this area. PCC Spring Forum Jackie reported that no date set yet but it will probably be in Llan'dod and thought that it would be good for some councillors to attend.	

	<p>Flood Warden training Kate was slightly disappointed that Andrew Twigger did not attend and the technology brought along to the Parish Hall by Stuart Eckley did not work which made the presentation more challenging. It was well attended by flood wardens from both Llangattock and Crickhowell and Kate proposed to look at organising a Llangattock-only meeting in due course, for the group to organise specific tasks locally.</p> <p>LGV and Five Councils meeting Wednesday the 9th, that Kate is planning to attend. Crickhowell approached this Council to work together and LGV is offering to be a leader for this. Flooding will probably also be discussed at this meeting.</p> <p>Waun Ddu & Slow the Flow ongoing Ann brought the committee up to date on the latest situation with funding for the conservation work for Waun Ddu raised bog. She received updates and Jake White reported that delays with Covid and staffing had hindered the project as well as securing consents from landowners taking much longer than hoped. An EIA (Environmental Impact Assessment) is still in progress and until this is completed they will not be able to get a Section 38 Commons Consent. Funding expires in 2023.</p> <p>Julian added to the discussion regarding the upland bog areas. He recently had a site visit with Jonathan Saville (NRW Ecologist) on the top of the moors. It holds 3 species of sphagnum moss with habitat conditions being the best in Europe. Chair requested Julien keep the committee informed of developments if possible.</p> <p>New environment budget Gail confirmed that she had spoken to Sam in relation to the Memorial Garden budget which is held under Central Services. This has now been transferred to this committee with an amount of £250. She requested that Ann help with spending this.</p> <p>Speeding over the Common Gail confirmed that she had visited the Gower in relation to this. She confirmed that she had witnessed the Powys verge cutters. Jackie confirmed to Julian that there is research ongoing in relation to signage, she has seen some that may or may not be okay to use. Julian confirmed that most commons have been fenced off in Wales, that Powys are an outlier in this area. Julian confirmed that he has witnessed speeding vehicles. Gail confirmed that the Gower has a 40 mile an hour registration with signage from the Action Group, with police support and a QR code for reporting speeding, she felt that it still needs to be pursued, the Gower has less signage and 40 miles an hour on the roads. Kate suggested a Llangattock Common Action Group.</p> <p>Julian then spoke to Jackie in relation to the speeding strips and their position, it is on a bend and it will influence the data collected. It is placed at the slowest point. Kate suggested that the position be changed as it was not sensible. Julian was not convinced that the speeding data would be representative, Gail stated that she would pick this up with Jackie.</p>
41/22	<p>Standing Item - Active Travel Update (County Councillor) Gail confirmed no new news at this point, Jackie has lost connection.</p>
42/22	<p>Standing Item - Place Plan (Cllr K Inglis & Cllr G Jones) Gail confirmed again that this has been parked until the next financial year, she suggested that teaming up with Llangynidr would be beneficial. Ann recalled that the newsletter invites people to connect the Council if they want to be involved.</p>

<p>43/22</p>	<p>Planning applications received after the previous meeting & other matters:</p> <p>Bus shelter grant opportunities Gail asked Julian if he can send photos if he sees new bus shelters at auction.</p> <p>Canals and Rivers Trust - Admin fee for defibrillator agreement. Gail confirmed that no planning was needed, but the Trust had requested an larger admin fee of £500.00, Helen queried this and involved the sponsors who wrote to the Trust who then waived the fee.</p> <p>Any Planning Applications Received and updates on Pending Decisions Gail confirmed that these are being sent to the whole committee once received. There has been one received today.</p> <p>Removal of existing conservatory and replaced with a single storey rear extension. Alterations to secondary entrance and additional first floor. 1 Church View Llangattock Crickhowell NP8 1PQ Ref. No: 22/21521/FUL Validated: Mon 31 Oct 2022 There was no comment from the committee on this application.</p>
<p>44/22</p>	<p>Date of next committee meeting 6th December 7pm 2022 Noted Add mountain speed to the December Agenda please.</p>