

Llangattock Community Council - CYNGOR CYMUNED LLANGATWGW

The following are the minutes of an ordinary meeting of Llangattock Community Council held online and in person at Llangattock Community Hall on Tuesday 21st February 2023, at 7pm.


Attendance: Cllr T Jones, Cllr R Jones, Cllr J Rees, Cllr G Dobbs, Cllr G Jones, Cllr H Burns, Cllr A Williams, Cllr S Ady, Cllr A Stubbs, Cllr K Inglis

Jackie Charlton - County Councillor

Kay Bailey - Clerk

Public Participation:

87/22	Apologies for absence
88/22	Members' declarations of Interest - None
89/22	<p>Minutes to approve from meeting of the 17th January 2022 and the Extraordinary meeting of the 7th February 2023 any matters arising</p> <p>Proposed: Cllr T Jones Seconded: Cllr J Rees Resolved: to accept that the minutes of the 17th January are a true and accurate record.</p> <p>Matters arising - none</p> <p>Proposed: Cllr G Jones Seconded: Cllr A Williams Resolved: to accept that the minutes of the 7th February are a true and accurate record.</p> <p>Matters arising - none</p>
90/22	<p>County Councillors Report (for information only)</p> <p>Jackie Charlton presented the County Councillor's report to the Community Council.</p>
91/22	<p>Motion: Office Rental Lease</p> <p>To agree to the office rental lease document, to rent an office at Clarence Hall House, Crickhowell, and request that the Proper Officer sign on behalf of the Council.</p> <p>Proposed: Cllr T Jones Seconded: Cllr R Jones Resolved: for the Proper Officer to sign the lease on behalf of the Council</p> <p>Proposed: Cllr T Jones Seconded: Cllr J Rees Resolved: for the Proper Officer to set up monthly payment on Unity Trust Bank</p>



	<p>Motion to increase furniture budget from £450 to £700-800 to cover the costs of the furniture required (Cllr G Jones) Proposed: Cllr T Jones Seconded: Cllr G Dobbs Resolved: the council accepts increasing the 23-24 budget for office furniture</p> <p>The Council thanked Crickhowell Town Council in relation to their question about using recycled furniture and invited them to come forward with suggestions that would meet current health and safety requirements.</p>
92/22	<p>Standing Committees (and their respective working parties) update & motions:</p> <p>Planning and Environment Committee (Cllr K Inglis)</p> <p>Minutes of the 6th December were approved. No meeting in January</p> <p>ENVIRONMENT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Speeding over the Common and livestock KSIs (Killed or Seriously Injured) Cllr J Rees reported that there were 7 livestock KSIs during one week. Several with broken legs and the others killed outright. He said that there was also an incident where large trucks with dogs were driving off road over the common. When challenged they became aggressive towards him and threatened to set their dogs on him. This incident was reported to 999 but only had an automatic reply. He does have a registration number. Cllr G Jones has emailed PC Lee Garret and put him in touch with Cllr Rees. ● Usk citizen science - motion passed – approved the transfer of £250 from P&E leftover budget to the Save the Usk Campaign. This money is earmarked for use on the Usk in the LCC area, to fund one standardised testing kit and replenishment of testing materials through 2023 & 2024. This has now been sent. ● Review of Environment Policy & Declaration of Emergency Updated versions to be sent around in advance for approval at the next P&E meeting. ● Biodiversity posters - Idea to display more information on Biodiversity in the park. Cllr Williams and Cllr Inglis to make info posters for noticeboards and shelters. ● Slow the Flow - Application documents on the drive. Decision on funding by Welsh Govt, now in April. Cllr Inglis to write a letter to the main landowner involved to explain the possible project. ● Repair Cafes - Report on January session and funding. Lottery has approved using leftover money from Together for Our Planet grant, for ongoing Repair Cafes to cover the cost of Hall hire, subject to approval of the Council. Application in progress for extra funding through a joint application with Cllr Burns and the Village Society. ● PCC Climate & Nature Forum 2023 - Date set for Weds June 14th, Cllrs Inglis & G Jones are planning to attend but all Councillors are welcome to attend. Cllr Inglis has been invited to the planning meetings, next one Feb 16th, and will give feedback at the next committee. ● LGV Update & Five Councils Environment meeting - LGV following up and inviting councillors from all Five Councils to a meeting in March. ● Website and Resilience work – Cllr Inglis has met with Cllr T Jones and discussed the website additions. An extension to spend the funding on this item has been agreed with the National Lottery. ● Other Items discussed:



Issue of trees at Crickhowell bridge. Cllrs to follow up with PCC at next quarterly meeting.
Welsh Govt. Single-Use Plastics ban: posters to view and shared on drive
Carbon Literary Project – free training sessions shared with all.

PLANNING

- **22/21323/FUL WINNEBA**
Decision notice: Refused. Cllr G Jones to send a letter to the planning Officer, stating that LCC would welcome an appropriate planning application for this property.
- **22/21542/FUL - Pantyrhiw Farm, Hillside, Llangattock**
Decision notice: Granted.
- **23/21739/FUL - Brynolwg , The Dardy, Crickhowell Powys NP8 1PS**
Proposal: "Proposed detached single garage and re-building of retaining wall"
Application discussed. Committee voted to submit a letter of No Objection.

Date of next committee meeting 7th March 2023

Fire Service to come to March 7th meeting TBC

Community Committee (Cllr T Jones)

- The contractor for the Recreation Ground accessible path has been paid.
- The accessible slope from the vehicular gate has been completed.
- BBNPA link path to Beech Wood. This may go ahead next week. It was approved in principle by Full Council in May 2023. The spec matches our path and the gate is self-closing.
- Community archaeological dig – **motion before Council**
- Toilet block grant – **motion before Council.**
- Basketball hoop: awaiting installation by Land and Stone, who have offered to carry out some jobs for the Council.
- Defibrillator update: no further progress. Still waiting for CRT to carry out remedial electrical works at the Boathouse at the Wharf.
- The committee expressed their approval of the new bin installed at the Recreation Ground
- Kissing gates - application in process
- Ffawyddog bench: the residents' group has decided not to go ahead with this project. Cllr H Burns suggested the organisers might like to consider obtaining a defibrillator for the area.
- Working with outside bodies – **motion before Council** under Finance.
- ROSPA report – the community committee is willing to help with a community engagement project.
- Cllr H Burns advised the committee of the plans of the Llangattock Village Society for a summer fete on Saturday 17th June, to be held at the Recreation Ground subject to permission of the council – **Motion before Council.**
- Cllr Burns also advised the committee that the fruit trees awarded by Keep Wales Tidy as part of the community orchard pack will be planted next Monday (20th February) at 2pm and the activity will be advertised so that residents can take part.
- Lottery has additional grant funding available for celebrations to commemorate the Coronation of The King. The Council decided during the budget round not to allocate funding for this and is supporting the Village Society's event on June 17th. Should the lottery funding be passed on to others?

Motion: to accept the application to SDF and the National Lottery grant for the improvements to the Public Toilets in the recreation ground (Cllr S Ady/Cllr T Jones)

Proposed: Cllr J Rees

Seconded: Cllr G Dobbs

Resolved: that the proper officer and Cllr T Jones submit the application forms to SPF and the National Lottery

Motion: Community Dig.

That this Council will establish a working group of Councillors and residents to explore the possibility of a community-led dig of the Garn Goch Scheduled Ancient Monument in Llangattock Recreation Ground, or at any other site in Llangattock which receives both landowner permission and the agreement of the Wales historic environment service, CADW. The Council gives permission in principle for a dig to take place on Council-owned land at Llangattock Recreation Ground provided that it is supervised by CADW-approved archaeologists and the Council is prepared to facilitate a dig, including making a grant application to the Heritage Lottery Fund on behalf of the working group.

Proposed: Cllr G Jones

Seconded: Cllr G Dobbs

Resolved: that a working party be created for the Community Dig, that the working group will have Council representation but be led by community

Motion: Summer Fete

That this Council allows Llangattock Summer Fete to be held on the Recreation Ground on Saturday June 17th and that a working group of the Council and the Llangattock Village Society be set up to administer it.

Proposed: Cllr R Jones

Seconded: Cllr G Jones

Resolved: the above motion was passed

Finance Committee (Cllr S Ady & RFO)

- Payment due for this month and reported payments

Proposed: Cllr S Ady

Seconded: Cllr K Inglis

Resolved: for the Proper Officer to pay the invoices reported and that previous payments are noted

- Forecasting report - Central Services is due
- Reconciliation Report - noted

Unity Trust Bank no longer does a cash card for the post office, so any cash that needs paying in will need to be taken to the bank in Abergavenny.

The finance committee hasn't met since the last ordinary meeting in January however Kay and I are working to ensure that we have everything up to date regarding the full audit that will be carried out later this year by Audit Wales. This involves the collation of our financial records,

cemetery records and asset list.

We have also carried out a review of our standing orders and Financial Regulations to ensure that they are up to date and fit for purpose. These updated documents will be presented to Full Council for approval and sign off in readiness for our Annual meeting in May.

Motion:

Following our last extraordinary meeting and the discussion regarding the defib and our relationship with the Canal & River Trust, Cllr Tim Jones has suggested an addition to our Standing Orders around working with outside organisations. It will ensure full transparency and understanding for all parties around Llangattock Community Councils commitment and ongoing involvement in community projects. Therefore, it is proposed that the following wording be included.

Llangattock Community Council may be asked, from time to time, to work with outside bodies who want to carry out projects of benefit to the community. When this happens, the Council should establish a working group of no fewer than two Councillors and members of the community to enact the project and allow the Council, subject to the approval of a motion to Full Council, to take on areas of responsibility within it. These may or may not include accepting ownership of and responsibility for the upkeep and insurance of any asset created in the long term.

Motion: to add wording to standing orders: Working with outside organisations.

Proposed: Cllr H Burns

Seconded: Cllr K Inglis

Resolved: for the above wording to be added to Standing Orders

Central Services (Cllr G Jones)

Central Services last met on Thursday 22nd December (no January meeting)

Matters Arising from last month's summary for Full Council

- Glebe Field revised lease received
- RoSPA Report – on site meeting with Stephan Butcher and Richard – comments to be discussed in full at committee on Thursday 23rd Feb (this week). Cllr G Jones ran through the highlights of the report for the full council.
- In summary however, Stephen Butcher is happy that we carry out remedial works on the multiplay but recommends repairs are simple and any funds for bigger repair works be set aside as part of a the programme of replacement. He noted that the swings and seesaw date from 1970 and will require replacement within a few years too. A holistic approach to all play equipment is required.
- Stephen gives a timeframe of **within 5 years – 2028**. We discussed funding sources and NLF recommended for size of spend required. He also said we could apply for the next couple of years and not be successful, however, this would be documented and further evidence of our commitment to carry out a programme of replacement as advised in the report.
- Monthly Asset Tour for January completed (Ann & Gail). Actions added to the Jobs List.

	<p><u>Highlights of the Maintenance Jobs List:</u></p> <p>Toilet cubicle doors, bolts, batteries and repairs to multiplay equipment. George to quote</p> <p>Molehills in Recreation Ground</p> <p>Big thanks to Helen and Mike (wearing LVS hats) for helping fix anti-pigeon roosting spikes to cross beams of shelters. Weed clearing to follow.</p> <p>OTM have strimmed the gated path and hedge in Glebe Field, also wildflower areas in Recreation Ground.</p> <p>Thomas Waste Management agreement on bin collection from cemetery. Paperwork received.</p> <p>Committee meeting on Thursday this week 7pm. If you want to find out any more, join us!</p>
<p>93/22</p>	<p>Correspondence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Email 02.02.23 Vale of Grwyney - Next Five Council's Meeting <p>The Council discussed dates and the 29th March was suggested, the Clerk will contact the 5 Councils and any speakers in relation to this date.</p>
<p>94/21</p>	<p>Date of next committee meeting to be 21st March 2023 confirmed at 7pm</p> <p>Noted</p>

