

LLANGWM COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Minutes of Meeting held at Llangwm Village Hall
9th April 2024 @ 7.00pm

1. PRESENT: Councillor M Evans (Chair) Councillor V Owens (Vice Chair)
 Councillor M John Councillor B Childs
 Councillor N Sandford Councillor C Davies

IN ATTENDANCE: Clerk Debbie Hanney, Stuart Beresford, PC Neil Lees

REGISTER OF ATTENDANCE: – All members and guests present signed.

APOLOGIES: Councillor E Rawlings. Councillor N Lewis

DECLARATION OF ANY PERSONAL OR POTENTIALLY CONFLICTING ISSUES: - None recorded

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: held on 12th March 2024 – minutes agreed.

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED - None

MATTERS ARISING:

- Neighbourhood Police Officer Neil Lees attended the meeting to introduce himself to the Community Council and to get an understanding of what was going on in the local neighbourhood. Cllrs welcomed him to the meeting and Cllr John stated that he had found that his interaction with the police over matters occurring in the village had been both proactive and helpful when he had met with PCSO Adam Thomas. PC Lees asked that any concerns or issues continued to be reported to the police as they occurred.
- Cllr Davies informed the Cllrs that the marquee for the village had now been purchased and that she had started to take booking for hire. Cllrs agreed that Cllr Davies would draft a Marquee Policy and that a pricing structure would need to be agreed. Cllr John said that he would contact Freysdrop Community Council for some support regarding this as they had recently introduced a marquee policy. Cllr Davies will send the Fire-Resistant Certificate to the clerk.
- Cllr John said that he would contact Pembrokeshire County Council again regarding the proposed double yellow lines on the southside of the highway at The Kilns to see when the site visit would go ahead.

- Cllr Childs asked for clarification regarding why the Community Council insurance policy did not cover the costs of felling a tree in Pills Park. Cllrs discussed this and it was thought that it was because it was due to the weather which was not covered in the policy. Cllrs asked that the clerk seek clarification on this. Cllrs also agreed that the trees in Pills Park should be inspected, and Cllr Evans said that he would find a suitable person to carry out an arboricultural survey.

PLANNING RECEIVED BY 9th April 2024: - none received.

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FINANCE:

- **Invoices received** by 9th April 2024 and cheque approval: - Community Council Clerk salary costs (26 hrs @ £13.37 per hour, £20 expenses per month) - approved.
- **Payments** – £1734.50 purchase of marquee - approved.

MONTHLY UPDATES:

- **Traffic issues** – Cllr Childs commented on on-going concerns about parking obstructions and asked PC Lees for clarification about the law regarding parking on pavements. PC Lees said that it was not an offence to park on the pavement however some councils apply parking restrictions which they can enforce. He also said that this had been an issue in other areas and the police had offered support to look at other options and find alternatives. The police would only use enforcement if the vehicle was un-taxed or un-insured, but they will offer support if informed. Cllr Davies raised a concern about parking vehicles on the pavement on both sides of the road in Glan Hafan which was preventing access for the rubbish collection lorry. A message has been posted onto the Neighbourhood Watch site asking residents to be mindful of this
- **Pills Parks** – The rugby pitches and surrounding areas have been impacted by flooding which has affected the playability of rugby games throughout the season. Rugby has now finished and preparation for the cricket season will begin when the ground dries up. The new drainage system on the pitch should alleviate this and the work on the drainage around the village hall will commence next week.
- **Common Land** – no issues reported.
- **Dog fouling** – no issues reported.
- **Defibrillator Checks** – will be carried out by Cllr M Evans.
- **Data Protection** – no issues reported.

CLERKS INFORMATION: -

- Cllr Davies was provided with the Monitoring Form to complete for the marquee grant. Clerk to provide an email copy.

TRAINING:

- Cllr John – Data Protection, Safeguarding, Website security.

AOB:

- Cllrs congratulated the under 11's rugby club for their success at the rugby festival in North Wales. 6 out of 6 wins.
- Llangwm Newsletter article needs to be submitted by 26th April. Clerk to draft and circulate.
- Cllr John attended the Working Together Meeting on 26th March where they discussed options for developing a Community Council website and information will be sent to the clerks for discussion.
Cllr John informed the Cllrs about a minor works grant that is available for providing safe walking routes within communities. He asked that Cllrs feed back to him with any proposals. Cllr Davies asked if this fund would support converting a front garden into a driveway and it was suggested that this could possibly be supported through an alternative fund within Pembrokeshire County Council.
- Cllr Childs stated that he was thankful that Llangwm experienced very little anti-social behaviour within the village.

NEXT MEETING:

The AGM will be held on Tuesday 14th May 2024 at 7pm in Llangwm Village Hall followed by the Community Council Meeting.