**LLANTYSILIO COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF A ZOOM MEETING HELD 1ST FEBRUARY 2021**

**PRESENT**

Chairman: Cllr. Mrs M. Smith

Councillors: R. Cragg, R. Hughes, Mrs J. Evans, County Cllr. Graham Timms and the Clerk.

The Chairman welcomed Cllr. Mrs Jessica Evans, the Council’s newly co-opted member to the Council.

**APOLOGIES**

Councillors: J. Pickett, A. Jones, P. Davies and D. Walton.

**21/3765 DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

None

**21/3766 COUNTY COUNCILLOR’S REPORT**

Council Tax

Cllr. Timms informed the Council that the annual rise in Council Tax for the coming financial year would be in the region of 3.8%.

Moorland Officer

The Moorland Officer for Denbighshire and Conwy, Mr Graham Berry is now in post.

The Clerk was asked to invite Mr Berry to a meeting of the Council when the coronavirus restrictions are over.

Dial a Ride

Canolfan Ni’s application for financial support to extend the Dial a Ride service has been successful to the tune of £500,000. They are hoping to purchase an electric vehicle to deliver meals on wheels and for use on other projects.

Llangollen 2020

The Llangollen 2020 group is trying to persuade DCC to allow half hour parking on Castle Street when the present parking restrictions come to an end. Cllr. Timms said that the Market Street car park was reputedly the most profitable car park in North Wales.

Queen’s Market, Rhyl

In reply to a question from a member of the Council. Cllr. Timms said that this development, as he understood it, is now £15m over budget and needs watching closely as this involves tax- payers money.

Refuse tip at Plas Madoc

In reply to a question from a member of the Council. Cllr. Timms said that DCC and WCBC are in consultation abut the matter of allowing Llangollen residents to use the refuse tip at Plas Madoc. If this move proves successful the downside could be the loss of the Saturday morning facility in Abbey Road. Neither Council will commit until there is a draft agreement and public consultation.

Fly Tipping

The Council’s Chairman said that she is concerned at the growing problem of fly tipping in the area, which is obviously exasperated by the lack of recycling facilities in the vicinity.

The need to book a slot to drop off refuse, either in Ruthin or Llangollen, is difficult as most slots are taken. Cllr. Timms said this situation will continue until the end of the lock-down and suggested that Ruthin, it being open every day, would be easier to book than Llangollen, which is only open for two hours on Saturday mornings. Members felt that this is unfair as residents need to travel over the Pass to Ruthin.

Salt-bins

In reply to a question from a member of the Council. Cllr. Timms reported that the new County Council policy was to only put salt in the yellow bins and not in roadside heaps as before. The Clerk said that she had written to the County Council asking why the Community Council wasn’t consulted about the siting of the yellow bins as this contravened the agreement between the County Council and Community Council. She has yet to receive a reply.

**21/3767 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER MEETING**

The Minutes of the Meeting were approved as a correct record.

Proposed by Cllr R. Cragg.

Seconded by Cllr. M. Smith.

**21/3768 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MEETING**

20/3758c2. - Council Website. This matter is now resolved.

**21/3769 COMMEMORATIVE BENCH FOR SHEP**

Four sites were suggested for the commemorative bench: -

1. Outside the Conquering Hero Community Centre
2. Under Hafod y Rhys hill, at the roadside on the road from Rhewl to Glyndyfrdwy.
3. Outside Llidiart Annie.
4. Along the road to Craig Ddu Farm.

The Council agreed to investigate the four sites and report back to the March meeting. The Clerk asked members to remember that before the Council can site the bench permission will have to be given by the landowner.

The Council’s Chairman, Cllr. Mrs Smith said that she would donate the Chairman’s allowance of £100 towards the bench as, due to the lock-down, this money had not been used.

Cllr. Cragg suggested that money from the Council’s Project Fund could be used to purchase the bench.

Cllr. Mrs Evans said that she thought members of the community would also be willing to donate towards the cost of the bench.

The Clerk said that she would contact Alex Cotterell for a price.

**21/3770 FINANCIAL MATTERS**

1. Accounts for payment.

The Accounts were paid as on the schedule attached to these Minutes.

1. Monthly Budget

The Budget was duly approved as a correct record.

1. Other Matters

Cllr. Cragg asked the Council if it would agree to the Clerk purchasing a paper shredder at a cost of £99.64. The Council agreed to this request.

**21/3771 PLANNING MATTERS**

There were no Planning Matters

**21/3772 CEMETERY**

The Clerk reported that two burials were booked for the coming week.

**21/3773 COMMUNITY PROBLEMS**

1. Blocked drain on the road between Ty Brith and Tan y Graig, Llantysilio.
2. Severe flooding on the road through Pentredŵr 100 mtrs after the Horseshoe Pass junction.
3. Poor drainage is causing problems along a stretch of Dinbren Road, Eglwyseg.
4. Pot-holes in Maes yr Uchain Lane, Llantysilio.
5. Pot-holes in the road outside the Community Centre, Pentredŵr.
6. Pot-holes in the road from Pentrefelin to the turn off for Berwyn.
7. The back road from Rhewl to Glyndyfrdwy is in need of resurfacing.
8. Crack in the road between Panorama Cottages and Rock Farm.

The Clerk informed the Council that she has already reported many of the above and would chase them up again.

**21/3774 COUNCILLORS REPORT**

None

**21/3775 CLERK’S REPORT**

None

**21/3776 MATTERS FOR THE MARCH AGENDA**

**There being no other business the Chairman declared the Meeting closed.**