**LLANTYSILIO COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD 7TH OCTOBER 2024**

**AT THE CONQUERING HERO COMMUNITY CENTRE**

# PRESENT

Chairman: Mrs M. Smith

Councillors: A. Jones, P. Davies, R. Cragg, J. Pickett, R. Hughes, S. Evans County Cllr. Karen Edwards and the Clerk. Cllr. Mrs J. Evans joined the meeting at Agenda Item 6.

**APOLOGIES**

Cllr. Walton was unable to join the meeting due to illness. Members wished him a speedy recovery.

**24/4244 DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

There were no Declarations of Interest.

# 24/4245 COUNTY COUNCILLOR’S REPORT

Introduction of new dust-bin collection.

It’s estimated that the new system will cost the County Council over £1m per annum, going ‘green’ is expensive. New routs will be introduced over the next two weeks. Part of the problem is that the newly employed lorry drivers aren’t familiar with the routs. There are still very many missed collections and it’s very hit and miss when bins will be collected.

Public toilets in Llangollen

Cllr. S. V. Evans asked why DCC are threatening to close public toilets through lack of funds when it can find £1.5m for the new bin collection service.

Karen explained that the South Wales Partnership had paid £2.5m to bail DCC out but the problem with the toilets is that DCC don’t have any statutory obligation to maintain them. As to the Llangollen Town Council taking over the toilet block in Llangollen - firstly the maintenance bill would be high, which would incur a huge rise in the Precept, and secondly the building is in need of refurbishment which would again be very costly.

4 Great Highways project.

This is now virtually completed. The steps at Llangollen Wharf have been finished but are nothing like the original illustration. There is still a lot of tree planting to be done as the steps are quite unsightly looking up from the town.

20mph

The Welsh Government have passed the responsibility on to each local authority to decide where to implement the speed limit.

**24/4246 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The Minutes were approved as a correct record.

Proposed by Cllr. A. Jones.

Seconded by Cllr. P. Davies.

**24/4247 MATTERS ARISING THEREFROM**

Agenda item 24/4239a – road subsidence. The Council felt that the response from DCC was unhelpful, ‘can see no sign of any subsidence’. Cllr. P. Davies said he would forward the Clerk a photo to forward to Highways.

Agena item 24/4231 – car parking. Cllr. Cragg reported that it’s now looking hopeful that the land over the river can be used as a car park for canoeists and also the local scouts.

# 24/4248 FINANCIAL MATTERS

1. Accounts for payment.

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

1. Monthly Budget

The Budget was approved as a correct record.

1. Other financial matters.

There were no other financial matters.

**24/4249 CHAIRMAN’S REPORT**

Cllr. Mrs Smith gave a verbal report on the site visit she and Cllr. Davies had done in the Cemetery. This was to ascertain if the area of land at the top of the Cemetery could be used for burials. The drill holes went down 6ft and found soil, rubble and hard clay, none of which should prove too difficult for a digger. The Chairman showed members photos of the test holes and their contents. Three memorial trees and Bob Morris’s memorial bench would need re-siting. As a curtesy, the families would have to be informed. The Clerk said that she would bring the original plans, which were drawn up in the 1950’s by John Milles, Architect to the next meeting as it shows the number of burials allocated to this piece of land.

It was resolved to discuss the way forward at the November meeting.

**24/4250 CEMETERY**

See previous Agenda item.

# 24/4251 PLANNING MATTERS

Planning Application

Application 27/2024/1298PF – Tan y Coed, Berwyn.

Erection of lean-to roof extension to existing farm building.

There were no objections to this Application.

**24/4252 NATIONAL PARK**

Proposed by Cllr. Hughes and seconded by Cllr. Mrs Evans that the Council oppose the proposal by the Welsh Government to establish another National Park. There were no amendments to the proposal. The proposal was carried with six for, two against and one abstention. It was agreed to await further information before moving forward.

**24/4253 COMMUNITY PROBLEMS**

1. Drain on Dinbren Road, Eglwyseg blocked causing flooding.
2. Large bump in the road by Bryn Cottage, Eglwyseg.
3. Tree roots bringing up the tarmac on the road between Pentredŵr and World’s End.
4. Pentredŵr road needs total surface patching.
5. Recent traffic accident caused by subsidence on the road to Bryn ur Odyn, Pentredŵr. Treat as urgent.
6. Drains need clearing by the community centre in Pentredŵr. Treat as urgent.
7. Road leading from Ty Ddu hill along Abbey Road is in dire need of resurfacing.
8. Salt box needed at the top of Pen y Clawdd hill
9. Drains by Yr Efail, Pentredŵr need clearing.
10. Road markings not been replaced following work on the fork by the Sun Inn, Rhewl.
11. Suggest putting back the metal barrier in place of the pegs which have recently been installed at the top of Pen Clawdd hill, Pentredŵr. These pegs are not sufficient to stop vehicles from going over the edge of the road.

**24/4254 COUNCILLORS REPORT**

Nothing to report.

**24/4255 CLERK’S REPORT**

The Clerk told the Council that she intends to retire and has given the Chairman a month’s notice but is willing to stay on until a replacement can be found. It was agreed to advertise the post on Facebook and by word of mouth. The Clerk said that she would advertise the position on the SLCC website where it was more likely to find someone with the necessary qualifications. The Clerk had already drawn up the necessary documents such as job advert, description and Application form as suggested by NALC/SLCC.

# 23/4256 CORRESPONDENCE

Relevant emails forwarded to members.

**23/4257 MATTERS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA**

There were no matters for the next Agenda.

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