

LLANTYSILIO COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD 2ND SEPTEMBER 2019

PRESENT

Chairman: Cllr. J. G. Evans.

Councillors: J. Pickett, Cllr. Mrs M. Smith, A. Jones, R. Hughes, D. Walton, P. Davies, S. V. Evans, County Cllr. Graham Timms and the Clerk.

APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from and Cllr R. Cragg.

19/3649 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None

19/3650 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Mountain Fire

Copies of the County Council's Scrutiny Committee's Recommendations have been circulated to members of the Community Council. The meeting, which is scheduled for the 5th of September, is unlikely to throw up anything new. Hopefully the Recommendations will be a positive move for the future.

Cllr. Hughes asked if there were any plans to regenerate the hillside.

Cllr. Timms replied that NRW did have plans in place.

Cllr. Davies expressed concern that the Lease between Llantysilio Estate and NRW had still not been finalised.

Broadband

Cllr. Timms said that he had nothing new to report regarding Superfast Broadband.

The Council therefore agreed to ask Ken Skates AM to attend a meeting of the Council and explain when this service would be available in the locality. If he was unable to attend, a delegation of councillors could meet him in his constituent surgery in Llangollen.

Local Development Plan (LDP)

Although there were 11 sites up for housing development in Llangollen there were none in Llantysilio. The social/affordable housing proposed for the Council's area did not need the agreement of the LDP.

Second Homes

Cllr. Hughes suggested that the County Council review its standing on the legislation regarding second homes as the present rules were not working.

It was also noted that businesses in the area are being penalised because of this legislation.

Cllr. Timms said he would look into this matter.

Roadside Verges

The Council informed Cllr. Timms that the quality of the work undertaken to cut the verges is very poor and suggested that, if the County Council was unable to get a contractor to do a better job, the Community Council could be amenable to undertake the responsibility, but only if the County Council agreed to cover the cost.

19/3651 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes were approved as a correct record.

Proposed by Cllr S. V. Evans.

Seconded by Cllr. R. Hughes.

19/3652 MATTERS ARISING THEREFROM

Minute No. 19/3638 County Councillor's Report – Cllr. Mrs Smith said that the term ‘dial a ride’ could be misconstrued as being the Llangollen Rotary’s ‘Dial a Ride’.

The Clerk said that this was the term used by DCC and she would make a note of the difference in the Council’s newsletter.

Minute No. 19/3645a overhanging trees at King’s Bridge – the trees are on land owned by the Canal and River Trust who have promised to look into the matter.

Minute No. 19/3645b cattle grid gate – the gate needs welding and this will be done by an external contractor.

Minute No. 19/3645c Maes yr Uchain Lane, speeding – the lane will be assessed when Dee Valley Water have completed the work on the highway.

Minute No. 19/3645d ‘not suitable for heavy vehicles’ sign – DCC will investigate.

Minute No. 19/3645e grass verges – the grass cutting contract is due to begin in the north of the county at the beginning of August.

Minute No. 19/3645f pot-holes in Pentredŵr and throughout the area – work will be undertaken when resources allow.

19/3653 PLANNING MATTERS

Planning Application

27/2019/0638 – Land at Bedw Isa, Rhewl

Siting of a 1 no. timber holiday cabin and installation of a package treatment plant.

Council’s Response.

The Community Council wishes to ensure that DCC has fully examined the effects of any discharge from the “Kargester package treatment plant” with respect to the nearby road and watercourses.

19/3653 FINANCIAL MATTERS

a) Accounts for payment.

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

b) Monthly Budget

The Budget was duly approved as a correct record.

c) Other financial matters

The Clerk reported that she had received the £500 grant from the Friends of Llangollen Health Centre and had forwarded a letter of thanks.

19/3654 AFFORDABLE HOUSING

The Council formally approved all three sites which had been put forward for development and is now awaiting the result of the consultation between the Chairman of Pentredŵr Community Association and Arfon Hughes.

19/3655 CEMETERY

Nothing to report.

19/3656 DEFIBRILLATOR

Cllr. Mrs Smith provided a full report on this and said that the defibrillator would be installed on the 13th September.

The Chairman thanked Mrs Smith on behalf of the Council for all the work she has done to ensure that this project came to fruition.

19/3657 COMMUNITY PROBLEMS

- a. Cllr. Pickett asked if the Clerk could chase up DCC Highways regarding clearing out the drains in Pentredŵr. With the onset of winter this job needs doing very soon.
- b. Cllr. Pickett asked that a member of the Welsh Ambulance Service be invited to attend a Council Meeting to explain why it was unable to locate Pentredŵr when it was called out to an emergency on August Bank Holiday Monday.
- c. Cllr. S. V. Evans stated that the footpath by the Abbey is in a poor condition.
- d. The Clerk was asked to invite James Dean to attend a meeting of the Council to explain the Department of Highways plans for the area.

19/3658 COUNCILLORS REPORT

Llantysilio Green

Cllr. Mrs Smith gave a full report on the meeting with Countryside Services which was held at the Conquering Hero Community Centre on Thursday 3rd August.

The meeting gave those present an opportunity to view the draft designs for Llantysilio Green, which had been drawn up by Bronwen Thomas. Cllr. Mrs Smith showed members the full plans of the proposed work but stated that, at present, there were no funds to undertake this work. Members agreed that the proposal would be a vast improvement to the area.

19/3659 CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk informed the Council that she had met with Tom Taylor, South Denbighshire Community Partnership regarding assistance that could be given to local needs.

Some of the items the Clerk had asked Mr Taylor to look into were: rural isolation, access to services, CAB Outreach, community transport, electric power points and a luncheon club for the elderly. The Clerk asked members to inform her if they could think of anything else that could be added to the list

19/3660 CORRESPONDENCE – email

- Community Report on Llantysilio Mountain Fire
- Planning Survey
- Councillor Training Events

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