



## Llangattock Community Council

### **CYNGOR CYMUNED LLANGATWG**

**Minutes of the Council Meeting held at the Community Hall on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November at 7.00 pm.**

#### **Public Participation.**

##### **1. Present**

Cllr. R. Jones, Chairman, Cllr J. Dobbs, Cllr A. Fryer, Cllr G Dobbs, Cllr R Thomas, Cllr J. Charlton, Cllr A. Williams.

##### **In Attendance**

S Dale (Temporary Clerk)  
One member of the public

##### **Apologies for Absence.**

Cllr N Shugar (other commitment)  
Cllr S Jones

<b>955/16</b>	<b>Members' declarations of interest</b>	Cllr G. Dobbs declared an interest in 959/16.
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<b>956/16</b>	<b>Minutes</b>	<b>From the meeting of the 18<sup>th</sup> October 2016</b>
<p><b>RESOLVED:</b> that the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2016, as circulated, be confirmed as a true record after amendment, and signed by the Chair. That the minutes from the Recreation Ground Committee (11<sup>th</sup> July 2016) and the Finance Committee (11<sup>th</sup> October 2016) be adjourned to the next meetings of those committees.</p>		

<b>957/16</b>	<b>Matters Arising</b>	<p>Cemetery – stone from the dug graves is unsightly, the view of the Powys Environmental Officer should be sought. Temporary Clerk to make enquiries.</p> <p>Canal and Rivers Trust – Temporary Clerk to invite the Canal and Rivers Trust to the December meeting to talk about the current local canal project. Cllr Charlton to provide the name of an appropriate officer.</p>
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<b>958/16</b>	<b>County Councillor's Report</b>	<b>County Councillor Jeff Holmes</b>
No report from the County Councillor.		

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<b>959/16</b>	<b>Correspondence</b>
<p>Email – Brecon and Gwernyfed High Schools Consultation and report. Further work is being done and will be reported in due course.</p> <p>Email - Wales remembers 1914-18, Programme 2017. Appeal for events.</p> <p>Email - Natural Resources Wales (late document, for information only) – NRW are changing their phone number to 03000 65 3000 naturalresourceswales/reportit.</p> <p>Email – Diversity in Democracy (late document, for information only) – from Welsh Government.</p> <p>Email – Future generations Commissioner for Wales (late document for information only) - concerning the well-being of future generations Act.</p>	

<b>959/16</b>	<b>Risk Assessment, document to be discussed and action agreed.</b>
<p>The scoring has been improved on the document. Councillors were requested to examine the document and feedback any comments to the finance committee.</p> <p>Glebe Field insurance to be checked by the temporary clerk. Cllr G Dobbs declared an interest at 7.50pm.</p> <p>The planning permission required to manage the trees needs to go into the risk assessment. A tree survey was done about 6-7 years ago to check the veteran trees on the allotments.</p> <p>Cllr G Dobbs returned to the meeting.</p>	

<b>960/16</b>	<b>Reviewing the bank mandate and authorising new signatories with the following statement:</b>
<p>“It was resolved that :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– the signing rules in the current mandate, for the accounts detailed in section 2, be replaced in accordance with section 4; and/or</li> <li>– the authorised signatories in the current mandate, for the accounts detailed in section 2, be changed in accordance with sections 5 and 6 and the current mandate will continue as amended.”</li> </ul> <p>RESOLVED: to increase the signatories including Cllrs A. Fryer and R. Thomas.</p>	

<b>961/16</b>	<b>Dardy Bench – for information only</b>
RESOLVED: Authorising the Finance Committee to deal with the acquisition of the new Dardy bench	
RESOLVED: Cllrs to meet with an interested local resident, temporary clerk to arrange.	

<b>962/16</b>	<b>To receive and approve a report on the recreation ground consultation and decide on next steps.</b>
<p>The consultation was well received having nearly 150 responses. The only remaining issue is the prize draw, the winners to be announced shortly. The most popular option for additional equipment in the recreation ground was a zip wire. Other popular options were a trim trail – supported by all age ranges, a basket swing, a boules area, and a tennis court. Generally a rustic feel was preferred although the younger respondents preferred an urban look.</p> <p>Other points to note are; the toilets need some attention to make them more up to date, strong opposition to dog walking in the recreation ground, new benches are needed and car parking is an issue.</p> <p>It is planned to apply for an “awards for all grant” of about £5000 to fund immediate change and show the community that change is possible. Cllrs wondered if sponsorship from local businesses might be a possibility for funding.</p> <p>RESOLVED: The report was noted and referred back to the recreation ground committee.</p> <p>RESOLVED: Temporary Clerk to check legality of business sponsorship.</p>	

<b>963/16</b>	<b>Cemetery – progress report on preparing the ground for planting bulbs donated by the Rotary Organisation to be discussed action agreed.</b>
Crocus bulbs are to be planted and snowdrops if possible – the idea is to take pride in the cemetery and keep it tidy. Polyanthers and pansies have already been planted.	
<b>964/16</b>	<b>Acquiring a new slate piece for the village sign, to be discussed and action agreed.</b>
Cllr R. Jones is waiting for another local quote for the slate, to be held over until after Christmas.	

<b>965/16</b>	<b>Finance training with One Voice Wales .</b>
Wednesday, 18 <sup>th</sup> January 2017 was found to be the best date for the training. Clerk to inform One Voice Wales and other local Community Councils.	

<b>966/16</b>	<b>Bench Sponsorship – an idea to sponsor new benches on existing sites.</b>
Adjourned to next meeting.	

<b>967/16 Presentation of quarterly budget report and bank reconciliation with a view to preparing a list of items to be taken into account for the precept.</b>		
Payee	Amount	Notes
Printer Inks	£196.96	Invoice July (paid before meeting)
Rubicon	£264.00	Turtle fix
Brecon and Radnor Express	£50.64	Code of conduct advert
Mr A Braithwaite	£180.00	Cleaning
Clerk S Dale	£168.16	Maternity leave cover (18hrs 35 mins * £9.09=£168.16)
Printer Inks	£196.96	Invoice October
Viking	£34.19	Stamp
J Charlton	£11.91	Bulbs
Wreath	£17.00	
OTM	£231.00	Grass cutting October

The budget report and bank reconciliation were presented and approved. The budget report has been developed into preliminary precept calculations, which it was **RESOLVED**, will be examined further by the finance committee.

<b>968/16</b>	<b>A huge boat got stuck going over the hillside bridge.</b>
Temporary Clerk to ask Brecon Beacons National Park Authority to check if any planning conditions were breached.	

<b>969/16</b>	<b>Plas Derwen oak tree on roundabout and another trees on the allotments to have the ivy removed.</b>
Cllr G Dobbs volunteered to "ring" the ivy to kill it, on two trees, the plas derwen oak and one other on the allotments. <b>RESOLVED:</b> Temporary Clerk to inform a concerned resident.	

<b>970/16</b>	<b>One Voice Wales and, with welsh government, have launched an initiative to encourage youth panels for community councils.</b>
Item was adjourned to the next meeting of the Recreation Ground Committee.	

<b>971/16</b>	<b>Approval for signing of Contract of Employment for the temporary clerk.</b>
Approved and signed.	

<b>972/16</b>	<b>Date of next meeting</b>
Full council - 20 <sup>th</sup> December. Finance Committee -13 <sup>th</sup> December. Recreation Ground Committee - 13 <sup>th</sup> December.	

Chair closed the meeting at 9.20pm