



**CYNGOR CYMUNED
LLANBRADACH & PWLL-Y-PANT
COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Ordinary Full Council Meeting held on 9th September 2019,
6.15pm at Llanbradach Community Centre.**

Present

Councillors:

W Good, C Mann, B Newton, V Noble, D Rees (Chair), S Taviner and C Thomas (Vice).

Clerk: C Mortimer.

In Attendance:

Mr Andrew King, local resident and administrator of Llanbradach Facebook Group
Ms Sarah Negus and Ms Carole Pepperell local residents.

Chair Cllr David Rees welcomed everyone to the meeting.

55 Cheque presentation

A cheque was presented to the Community Council by Mr Andrew King of Llanbradach Facebook group to the sum of £385.50 in respect of funds raised through the sale of the 2019 calendar. Chair Cllr Dave Rees thanked Mr King for a generous donation which was likely to go towards the purchase of Christmas lighting. Other proceeds from the sale had gone to other worthy causes to include the Girls Brigade and local football club.

Photographs were taken for social media pages and our newsletter.

It was noted that Velindre Cancer Hospital have confirmed that they will attend on Monday 14th October 2019.

56 Police Update – the Police were not in attendance.

57 RESOLVED: Council unanimously moved a motion to suspend the Standing Orders

58 Defibrillators

Sarah Negus thanked members for allowing her to speak on her fundraising efforts to purchase three defibrillators. These are to be sited at The Rise, in the village and Pwllypant. A local builder has kindly offered to install the cabinets. The defibrillators would need to be accessible around the clock and regularly maintained. Ms Sarah Negus, being a Nurse volunteered to undertake this responsibility but would be looking for other volunteers in the event of her being away. Training sessions in the use of the defibrillators would also be available to the residents.

There was much support out there and fundraising activities were planned including a “Just Giving” page on Facebook. Council were in full support of the initiative and thanked Ms Sarah Negus for her commitment.

RESOLVED: Council proposed, seconded and all voted in favour of the Community Council match funding the page pound for pound up to the sum of £500.

Further photographs were taken.

Ms Negus, Ms Pepperell and Mr King were thanked for attending and subsequently left the meeting.

59 RESOLVED: Council unanimously moved a motion to the resume the Standing Orders

60 Apologies – were received from Cllr A Reed and Cllr A Stone

61 Declarations of Interest

Councillors were reminded of their personal responsibility to declare any personal and/or prejudicial interest(s) in respect of any item of business on this agenda in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000, the Council's Constitution, and the Code of Conduct for both Councillors and Clerk.

There were no declaration of interests.

62 Chair's Announcements

Chair Cllr Dave Rees announced that he had visited the gardens in both villages over two days and details would be revealed under Minute no. 64 (C) - Projects.

Clerk is to organize gift vouchers and letters of congratulations to the winners and the highly commended, for the Chair to deliver.

63 Minutes

Minutes of the ORDINARY FULL COUNCIL MEETING held on 8th July 2019 were received approved and signed as an accurate record.

64 Finance

(i) Balance of Funds

'Balance of Funds' document to 03/09/2019 was received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

(ii) Reconciliation

Reconciliation document was received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

(iii) Bank Statements

Bank statement no.195 was received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

(iv) Budget v Spend

Budget v Actual Spend was received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

65 Financial Applications 2019/20

(i) Eisteddfod y Cymoedd

RESOLVED: Council agreed that the sum of £40 be granted to Eisteddfod y Cymoedd.

66 Insurance Renewal for 2019/20

Council was requested to renew its insurance with Zurich for the coming year at a cost of £987.45, which included a premium of £60.75 for additional cover.

It was noted that Zurich offer a 3 or 5 year long term agreement, which reduces the price of our policy in return for our commitment. The cost under a 5 year agreement is £944.32. Risk Assessments were to be undertaken for the panto and Santa's sleigh.

RESOLVED: Council agreed to renew the policy under a 5 year agreement and agreed to Cllr B Newton offer to draft suitable risk assessments.

67 Project Update / New Project Proposals

a) Summer Activities Scheme – it was noted that overall the scheme went very well. Matters that had arisen were dealt with promptly and efficiently with the Clerk keeping Councillors updated throughout.

b) Newsletter – members agreed that the next newsletter be prepared for January 2020.

c) Floral Competition

As per the Chair's Announcements Minute. No.62 details of the garden competition were revealed:

1st

50 Wingfield Terrace, (end house) main street.

Excellent display of mature perennial plants and several annual plantings, well-kept with plants having an eye to bees/ butterflies and other wild life.

2nd

23 Garden Close

A range of colourful annual plantings of mixed species, giving excellent summer long colour with some additional mature perennial plantings. Selection of annual flowers would be very beneficial to bees and butterflies throughout spring/ summer periods.

3rd

37 Glyn Collen, Cwm Las.

Very large range of flowering summer based tubs and containers, good use of space in front, being well kept being attractive to fellow residents.

HIGHLY COMMENDED

51/53 Garden Street.

Excellent range of mixed plants, providing good colour during summer and diversity for wildlife. residents showed extensive efforts in a relatively small front gardens.

8 Central Street, Pwllypant

Very good displays of annual flowers in baskets and containers. good shape and plan for displays in small front garden. showed a lot of effort..

35 Coed y Brain Court, End bungalow.

Again this year, high levels of colour from perennial plantings, providing good wildlife attraction due to long flowering periods of plants used. good attraction to fellow residents.

17 Glyn Bedw (Cwm Las Estate)

Strong display of both perennial and annual flowers, including Dahlias in a small front garden, providing a long season of colour and attraction to wildlife.

24 Coed y Pia, The Rise.

Large range of colourful displays, using annual plants in tubs/ containers and baskets. supplemented by other perennial plants, providing long periods of colour and attraction to bees and butterflies.

21 Llys Cambria

Large range of colourful perennial displays providing good wildlife attraction due to long flowering periods.

d) Christmas lighting/ sleigh

Figurines:

It was noted that The Christmas lighting has nbeen tested in readiness for this year's installations and some faults had been found on two figurines, which will need replacing having failed their PAT testing.

One which was in the main square of Llanbradach has water ingress into the rope lighting which has caused it to burn out internally and a second which was further down the main street in Llanbradach has failed on its wiring resistance test.

The clerk has therefore purchased two replacements plus an additional figurine for the newly converted column at Pwllypant (previously removed by CCBC) and 6 brackets:

6 brackets @ £17.00 + vat each = £102 + vat

3 x 123539.B2 Holly & Berries £240 + vat for static single

String lighting for tree at Pwllypant:

3 x Multi-colour flash LED Light String-80LEDS-10m 24v @ £33.00 per 10m
1 x 100va Transformer with Power Lead-24v @ £94.80 + vat and 1x 24v 5m
Extension Lead-24v @ £10.00 + vat

RESOLVED: Council agreed to ratify the spend of £1025.80 (plus vat) and carriage

Sleigh:

Members are required to make contact with Dai Ink regarding art work to the sleigh.

e) Community Awards (Sporting Achievement/Community Volunteer/ Young Citizen)

RESOLVED: Council agreed the nominations of five local people for the awards.
Clerk to arrange presentation gift vouchers and certificates for our next meeting in
October or November. Members to obtain contact details for the individuals.

New projects:

f) Bird, bat and hedgehog boxes/habitats – this item was deferred for a future meeting
whereby Cllr Stone is to provide an update.

g) Defibrillator – To assist in supporting community defibrillators. This item was discussed
under Minute no. 58 and Council agreed to fund pound for pound with the “Just Giving”
page up to the sum of £500

h) Any other projects – none at present.

68 Website

Council were requested to consider implementing a new website with United Graphic
Design through Caerphilly County Borough Council so that it becomes compliant with
the following:

Mobile friendly, easier to update, allowing the Clerk to update, bilingual where possible,
have accessibility tools, customizable so that we can change header images, colours
etc. keeping it fresh and relevant.

RESOLVED: Council agreed to fund a new website at a cost of £500 per annum.

Cllr Steve Taviner left the meeting.

69 Notice of Motion for Independence

RESOLVED: Council unanimously actively supports the campaign for Welsh Independ-
ence and proactively encourage the increase in positive dialogue on independence to
better inform the Welsh people of the benefits that independence can bring to the peo-
ple of Wales, Local Communities and the wider Welsh economy.

70 Community Centre – the Management Committee continues to look for new volunteers
to help with the running of the centre. Further meeting are to be held.

71 Planning Applications (late applications will be tabled at meeting)

To receive & discuss planning applications. Comments or enquiries must be emailed to
planadmin@caerphilly.gov.uk within 21 days of receipt of the email date.

Noted: There were no planning applications received.

**72 Next meeting date: Ordinary Full Council Meeting on Monday 14th October at
6.15pm**

Meeting closed at 8.00pm

Signed: _____ Chair Date: 9th September 2019