

CYNGOR CYMUNED LLANBRADACH & PWLL-Y-PANT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Full Council Meeting held on Monday 8th February 2021 at 6.15pm via remote access in accordance with the provisions of the Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Meetings) (Wales) Regulations 2020.

Present

Councillors: C. Mann, V Noble, A Reed (Vice), D Rees, A Stone, S. Taviner and C Thomas (Chair) **Clerk:** C Mortimer.

In Attendance: County Councillor Rob Gough

Chair Cllr Catherine Thomas welcomed everyone to the meeting

52 Speeding in Pwllypant Update – Ms Jodie Healan was not in attendance.

53 Police Update – was received and noted:

'Crimes logged between07/01/21-08/02/21

<u>63 calls</u>

Incidents include:

- Domestic incidents
- > Assault / assault police
- Concern for safety
- Harassment

<u>ASB</u>

One call taken, persons throwing snowballs on Cedar tree roundabout

BYPASS

8 calls including broken down vehicles, drug drive, off road bikes.

<u>COVID - 19</u>

6 calls taken reporting COVID breaches, however there were no breaches when officers attended.

ZIG ZAG LINES DE WINTON TCE

Reports of vehicles parking on the Zig zag lines at De Winton Tce. Advisory leaflets dropped to residents and patrols of the area. No penalties issued to date as there have been no offences during patrols.

SPEEDING -Pwll Y Pant

Input from Jodie Healan. Speed checks to be completed.

INCIDENTS OF NOTE

Nothing to note'.

Cllr Dave Rees arrived at the meeting

54 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr Wally Good who members agreed would remain absent until physical meetings were to safely resume.

Internet connectivity with the Chair was lost therefore Vice Chair Cllr Ann Reed chaired the next item

55 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.

56 Chairman's Announcements – there were no new announcements.

57 Minutes

Minutes of the ORDINARY FULL COUNCIL meeting held on 11/01/2021 were received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

58 Matters Arising

RESOLVED: Council ratified the clerk exercising plenary powers in contacting all members for views on the following planning applications, as time did not allow for the matter to be discussed at a council meeting.

(email received from CCBC's Planning 15/01/2021 – 21 day response deadline :04/02/2021)

'RE: Case Ref. 20/0703/RET Site Area: 53149m²

Location: Llanbradach Tips Colliery Road Llanbradach (UPRN 000043172539)

Proposal: Retain and complete the construction of bunds to provide safety improvements, firing points and target area upgrades for existing shooting range, and construction of short target range and target sprint track, and related works

Case Officer: Carwyn Powell
01443 864424
powelc2@caerphilly.gov.uk

Ward: Llanbradach Map Ref: 313703 (E) 191504 (N)

Community Council: Llanbradach & Pwllypant Comm Council Expected Decision Level: Delegated

RESOLVED: Llanbradach & Pwllypant Community Council are strongly opposed to the retention and completion of bunds to provide safety improvements, firing points and target area upgrades to the existing shooting range on the grounds of:

(i) Environmental – the development and the destructions of a SINC has had a direct negative impact on the natural habitat. Biodiversity has been decimated due to the sheer extent of excavation works resulting in the loss of wildlife and habitats.

(ii) Destruction of an artesian well which supplies water to streams further down the mountain which further supplies water to farms, houses, fields and livestock.

(iii) Contaminated materials used on site for the bunds have been found in the form of large chunks of highway, tarmac, pipe and metal, also plastics and discarded PPE.

(iv) Back in July 2020 at a site meeting, the stability of two conical tips were raised and the applicant was instructed to fence them off on safety grounds. The applicant was also instructed to carry out works to release the water build up on site.

(v) Main access road - the roads to the point of access to the site are narrow, prone to flooding in heavy rain and the verges are worn.

(vi) Noise – back in 1986 the site was surrounded by 30ft high conifers which acted as a buffer, but even then and still today the sound of shooting can be heard across the village. So we are not talking of the shooting range affecting one person, but a whole village, raptors and other wildlife.

The environmental damage and noise from this site has contributed to considerable hidden suffering to local residents and wildlife. Local residents have a basic right to the quiet enjoyment of village life, which this development does not allow'.

'RE: Case Ref. 20/1073/FULL Site Area: 5222m²

Location: Land At Grid Ref 315195 191134 Wingfield Crescent East Lane Llanbradach (UPRN 000043175243)

Proposal: Erect residential development of 23 No. affordable homes car parking, landscaping and associated works

Case Officer: Anthony Pyne
01443 864523
pynea@caerphilly.gov.uk

Ward: Llanbradach Map Ref: 315196 (E) 191134 (N)

Community Council: Llanbradach & Pwllypant Comm Council Expected Decision Level: Committee

RESOLVED: Whilst members of Llanbradach & Pwllypant Community Council acknowledge the need for affordable homes within the borough the proposal of phase two Plasturtwyn Case Ref: 20/1073/FULL raises many issues and our objections are as follows

(i) Insufficient off-road parking bays for existing residents of Plasturtwyn Terrace.

(ii) Health & safety issue with back gates opening directly onto the lane/proposed highway with no pavement.

(iii) Garage openings too are directly onto a potential highway

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- (iv) Lane is not wide enough for the passing of two vehicles
- (v) Land ownership issues
- (vi) A proposed communal bin store is too close to an existing property

Ultimately we also have to question the legitimacy and integrity of holding a public consultation during a pandemic, when local bye-elections have been placed on hold, members of the public have been instructed to stay at home and the Senedd elections possibly being rescheduled for the autumn'.

59 Finance

(i) Balance of Funds

'Balance of Funds document 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's 212 &213 were received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

60 Financial Assistance/Grants 2020/21

(i) **RESOLVED**: Council agreed to grant the sum of £40 to Eisteddfod yr Urdd.

61 Projects 2020/21

(i) Project summary was received and noted.

(ii) **RESOLVED:** Council agreed to proceed with community infrastructure project no. CIL(ii) and the installation of a post and bin at Oakfield terrace, where old terrace meets new at a cost of £480 (iii)**RESOLVED:** Council agreed to fund Easter eggs to all primary school aged children residing in the village.

62 Planning Applications

Planning applications were received and discussed. Comments or enquiries must be emailed to planadmin@caerphilly.gov.uk within 21 days of receipt of the email date.

Email: 29/01/2021

Case Ref. 21/0041/FULL Site Area: 171m² Location: Wingfield Stores 41 Wingfield Crescent Llanbradach Caerphilly CF83 3NU (UPRN 000043028535) Proposal: Demolish existing outbuildings and construct new single storey flat roof extension to same overall depth but increased width Case Officer: Carwyn Powell 0 01443 864424 0 powelc2@caerphilly.gov.uk

Ward: Llanbradach Map Ref: 315106 (E) 191185 (N)

Community Council: Llanbradach & Pwllypant Comm Council Expected Decision level:Delegated **RESOLVED:** No objections

Email:25/01/2021

Case Ref. 21/0019/FULL Site Area: 277m² Location: Land Adjacent To 80 Garden Street Llanbradach Caerphilly CF83 3LZ (UPRN 000043028385) Proposal: Erect detached dwelling Case Officer: Carwyn Powell
01443 864424
powelc2@caerphilly.gov.uk Ward: Llanbradach Map Ref: 315120 (E) 190634 (N) Community Council: Llanbradach & Pwllypant Comm Council ExpectedDecision Level: Delegate **RESOLVED**: No objections

63 Next meeting Date: Monday 8th March 2021, 6.15pm

Meeting closed at 6.55pm

Signed by: _____Chair

Date: 8th March 2021.