



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

**Minutes of the ORDINARY Full Council Meeting held on  
Monday 10th October 2022 6.15pm at Llanbradach Community Centre in a  
MULTI-LOCATIONAL format in accordance with the provisions of the  
Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021.**

**Present**

Councillors: N Cabble (Vice Chair), D Edwards, C Mann, B Newton, M Newton,  
V Noble (Chair) and A Stone

Clerk: C Mortimer

In Attendance: Residents A Horrocks and C Davies.

***Chair Cllr Valerie Noble welcomed everyone to the meeting***

**70 Police update** – no police in attendance nor report received.

**71 Apologies** - were received from Cllr G Enright due to Covid testing and Cllr B Newton due to working and childcare

**72 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 declarations.

Chair Cllr Valerie Noble welcomed local residents to speak on the next item.

**73 Planning Appeal**

To receive and note letter submitted to the Planning Inspectorate with our comments and support of CCBC's refusal for a certificate of lawfulness for an existing use of land for the storage of skips.

Ref: Planning Appeal Reference: CAS-01884-X4P5V8 and CAS-01852-Y1C3K9

Appellant: Caerphilly Skip Hire (CWS) Ltd

Location: Land at Graddfa Industrial Estate, Llanbradach.

Planning Case Ref: 22/0031/REF and 21/0801/CLEU

Residents were grateful for our support but wondered what else could be done to strengthen their case. It was noted that noise measurement devices were being installed. The dust was an issue too and the installation of a dust monitor was suggested and ideally would have been better installed in the summer. Lumps of asbestos was seen on the road, fallen from the skips, which caused great concern. The clerk would write to Environmental Health to look into the company's asbestos removal certificate and procedures. A cleaning machine owned by the company had been rented out and so a water tank had been installed to try to keep dust levels down but this had no effect on the stored skips due to the tank being located at the other end of the yard. Operating hours were disruptive to local resident's right to peace and quiet with disturbed sleep from 5.00am. All agreed that the operation was far too big for such a small sleepy village. The residents will return to a future meeting with further updates.

**74 Chair's Announcements** – there were no announcements

**75 Minutes**

**Minutes of the ORDINARY COUNCIL meeting held on 11/07/2022** were received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

**76 Matters Arising**

In respect of Minute No. 59 Cllr Colin Mann thanked members for their warm welcome to our twinning visitors which had been a great success.

**77 Minutes**

**Minutes of the EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL meeting held on 3/08/2022** were received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

**78 Matters Arising** – Cllr Adrian Stone has made enquiries with the National Lottery and would keep members posted.

**79 Finance to 5<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

**(i) Balance of Funds**

'Balance of Funds' document was received, approved and signed as an accurate document.

**(ii) Reconciliation**

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

**(iii) Bank Statements**

Bank statement 231, 232 & 233 were received, approved and signed as an accurate document.

**(iv) Superannuation – Greater Gwent Torfaen Pension Fund(GGTPF)**

**RESOLVED** Council ratified that following Council's agreement in March 2022, Minute No. 154, to increase Clerk's salary in line with the NJC's National Salary Award for 2021/22, Council is requested to ratify the following:

(a) Change the standing order to GGTPF from £249.30 to £253.65 per month from September 2022

(b) Pay arrears to GGTPF April 2022 – August 2022 £4.35 x 5 months = £ 21.75

(c) Pay arrears to GGTPF April 2021 – March 2022 £4.35 x 12 month = £52.20

**(v) Christmas Lighting Installation Increases – Elsbury**

Correspondence was received and noted from Elsbury.

**RESOLVED:** Council agreed to the increases.

**80 Financial Assistance/Grants 2022/23** – any applications received will be tabled.

(i) Eisteddfod y Cymoedd

**RESOLVED:** Council agreed to grant the sum of £100 to Eisteddfod y Cymoedd

*Cllr B Newton arrived at the meeting*

**81 Projects 2021/22**

(i) Halloween activities – Cllr B Newton will produce a poster for a FREE Halloween activity at the Community Centre on 31<sup>st</sup> October 5.00pm – 6.30pm. All aged children but to be accompanied by one adult. Cllrs A Stone, C Mann, A West, M Newton to assist Cllr B Newton.

Fancy dress, pumpkin carving, disco etc.

**RESOLVED:** Members agreed to fund at a cost of £100

(ii) Armistice Service Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2022

Clerk confirmed the following

- CCBC were implementing the road closures and notices
- Bugler had confirmed his attendance.
- The service of remembrance had been kindly typed up by local resident Ann Birkinshaw and the clerk had added a poppy graphic and printed 200 copies in a booklet form. Colin to distribute on the day.
- 8 wreaths were distributed to members for various groups.
- Lamp post poppies were distributed for installing. Nets to be installed on 1<sup>st</sup> November.

(iii) Litter Pickers

**RESOLVED:** Council agreed to fund 15 x litter pickers and gloves for eco committees on our two schools, Cwm Glas and Coed y Brain, who are working alongside our Environmental Champion Greg Williams. Cost £200

(iv) Christmas trip to Bath for residents

**RESOLVED:** Council agreed to subsidize a 51 seater bus trip to Bath on 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2022 at a cost of £740.00.

Seats will be charged at £10 each. Bus will leave the Community Centre at 8.30am and will leave Bath at 5.30pm to return home. Cllr G Enright and Cllr A West to oversee the trip.

(v) Santa's Sleigh – Cllr B Newton confirmed Santa's sleigh is booked for Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December leaving the Community Centre at 5.00pm.

**RESOLVED:** Council to fund the sleigh and sweets at an estimated cost of £300

(vi) Project Summary – a verbal summary was presented by the clerk.

*Cllr B Newton left the meeting*

(vii) **RESOLVED:** Exclusion of Press and Public – By virtue of The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public are excluded from discussions on the following item on the basis that disclosure thereof would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted:

(vii) New project/Confidential Item at this stage

**RESOLVED:** Members unanimously agreed to the new project

*Meeting re-opens to the press and public*

## 82 Training

(i) Training Plan was noted

(ii) Code of Conduct and Standards training will be booked via CCBC for Cllrs David Edwards, Anne West, Norma Cabble, Adrian Stone, M Newton and myself.

## 83 Ty'n y Graig Footbridge Update - Transport for Wales (TfW)

There was no further update

## 84 Bluebell Woods Update

It was confirmed that CCBC were working with the landowner to restore the site to its natural state.

## 85 CCBC Standards Committee – vacancy exists for a minor authority representative.

Members noted that Cllr Adrian Stone expressed an interest in the role and has submitted a resume directly to the monitoring officer.

## 86 Planning Applications

Members received & discussed the following planning applications.

Comments or enquiries must be emailed to [planadmin@caerphilly.gov.uk](mailto:planadmin@caerphilly.gov.uk) within 21 days of receipt of the email date.

Emailed dated: 20/09/2022

Case Ref. 22/0733/NCC Site Area: 275m<sup>2</sup>

Location: Land Adjacent To 80 Garden Street Llanbradach Caerphilly CF83 3LZ (UPRN 000043028385)

Proposal: Vary condition 02 (Approved Plans) of planning consent 21/0019/FULL (Erect detached dwelling) to increase the rear depth of the property

Case Officer: Joshua Burrows ☐ 07874 641749 ☐ [burroj1@caerphilly.gov.uk](mailto:burroj1@caerphilly.gov.uk)

Ward: Llanbradach Map Ref: 315120 (E) 190634 (N)

Community Council: Llanbradach & Pwllypant Comm Council

Expected Decision Level: Delegated

**RESOLVED:** There were no objections on the proviso that there was sufficient off-street parking for the new dwelling. Members also raised concerns in relation to the amount of refill used to increase the rear depth of the property and its stability.

Case Ref. 22/0772/RET Site Area: 211m<sup>2</sup>  
Location: 44 Garden Street Llanbradach Caerffili CF83 3LZ (UPRN 000043028365)  
Proposal: Retain and complete the erection of new detached garage  
Case Officer: Abbie-Jane Stokes ☐ 07907 574195 ☐ stokea@caerphilly.gov.uk  
Ward: Llanbradach Map Ref: 315062 (E) 190557 (N)  
Community Council: Llanbradach & Pwllypant Comm Council  
Expected Decision Level: Delegated  
**RESOLVED:** No objections

Email: 23/09/2022

Case Ref. 22/0763/FULL Site Area: 234m<sup>2</sup>  
Location: 7 Central Street Pwllypant Caerphilly CF83 2NJ (UPRN 000043027396)  
Proposal: Erect two storey rear extension  
Case Officer: Bridget Jones-Crabtree ☐ 07850 916850 ☐ jonesbas@caerphilly.gov.uk  
Ward: Llanbradach Map Ref: 315005 (E) 188881 (N)  
Community Council: Llanbradach & Pwllypant Comm Council  
Expected Decision Level: Delegated  
**RESOLVED:** No objection

**87** **Next meeting Date:** ORDINARY Meeting on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2022, 6.15pm at Llanbradach Community Centre

**Meeting closed at 8.30pm**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Chair      Date: 14th November 2022.