



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

**Minutes of the ORDINARY Full Council Meeting held on  
Monday 14th November 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), G Enright\*, C Mann, V Noble (Chair) and A Stone and A West

Clerk: C Mortimer

*\*Denotes remote attendance*

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

**88 Police update** – there was no update received nor police present.

**89 Apologies** - were received from Cllr B Newton, Cllr M Newton and Cllr D Edwards

**90 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.

Cllr Colin Man declared an interest in minute no. 94 (vi)

Clerk declared an interest in min no.95

**91 Chair's Announcements**

Chair Cllr Val Noble announced:

- She had attended the Halloween party at the Community Centre whereby children enjoyed pumpkin carving, fancy dress followed by a disco.
- Cllr Norma Cabble's winter craft fayre went very well and was very busy
- Armistice service was again well attended and the weather was quite beautiful.
- Ystrad Mynach Winter Fayre was this Saturday from 10am until 5pm.

**92 Minutes**

**Minutes of the ORDINARY COUNCIL meeting held on 03/10/2022** were received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

**93 Matters Arising** – there were no matters arising.

**94 Finance to 8<sup>th</sup> November 2022**

**(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 234 was received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

**(iv) Lamp post poppies**

RESOLVED: Council ratified the spend of £87.50 for the purchase of 25 lamp post poppies for the village.

**(v) Insurance 2022-23**

RESOLVED: Council ratified the spend of £1,053.03 for insurance for 2022/23, which is at a reduced rate, due to our long-term agreement with Zurich, until 2024.

*Cllr C Mann declared an interest in the next item and played no part in the ensuing discussions.*

**(vi) Twinning Commemorative Gifts**

RESOLVED: Council ratified the spend of £90.42 on commemorative gifts to mark and celebrate its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

*Cllr C Mann returned to discussions.*

*Clerk declared an interest in the next item and left the meeting, thus playing no part in the ensuing discussions.*

**95 National Salary Award 2022 2023**

Correspondence from NALC indicating that the NJC has reached an agreement in relation to the new salary scales for 2022-2023 was received and noted

RESOLVED: Council approved the clerk's salary increase SCP23 to £15.67 per hour

*Minute no.95 was recorded and relayed to the clerk on her return to the meeting.*

**96 Financial Assistance/Grants 2022/23**

(i) Mari Lwyd

RESOLVED: Council agreed to fund the sum of £100 and would like to invite Mari Lwyd to the streets of Pwllypant and Llanbradach

(ii) Food Banks

RESOLVED: Council agreed to fund £100 to each of the following food banks at:

(a) Holy Trinity, Ystrad Mynach (b) Bedwas Parish Trust (c) Elim (d) St Martin's

**97 Projects 2021/22**

(i) Santa's Sleigh – in Cllr B Newton's absence members agreed to include all routes as in previous years.

(ii) Potential project – quotes from Llanbradach AFC for kit was received and discussed.

RESOLVED: Members agreed to fund the kit for the under 7's, reducing the number of balls to 7 as opposed to 15, reducing the overall sum granted to £434.63

ADDENDUM: Following further discounts with the companies the total sum expended was less than granted at £225.08

(iii) Project Summary was received and noted.

**98 Training**

(i) Training for November was received and noted

(ii) Training schedule is a statutory requirement and will be published on our website.

**99 Ty'n y Graig Footbridge Update - Transport for Wales (TfW)**

Planning has been approved. Awaiting further information from Mr Ross Whiting

**100 Bluebell Woods Update**

Mr Ryan Thomas at CCBC's Planning has confirmed that work is being done with the Ecologist and planting is likely to take place in the Spring. Disappointingly this would mean that there would be no bluebells in flower next year. It was noted that no visible work had been undertaken at the site nor salvaging the bulbs that had been excavated.

**101 Local Development Plan Consultation – ending 30<sup>th</sup> November 2022**

Draft Candidate Site Assessment was received and noted:

**Table 1 - Sites ruled out after Stage 1 Assessment**

CB021 Land west of Colliery Road, Llanbradach Housing/tourism 0.31 Below site size threshold. Need to consider as part of the settlement boundary review.

**Table 3 - Sites not suitable for further consideration**

CB011 Land at Colliery Road, Llanbradach Housing 2.28 Poor relationship to settlement, access, ecology

**102 Case ref: 22/0841/COU | Change the use of derelict land from B1 to B8 and installation of storage containers and associated external works | Land Within Morgan Street Works Perimeter Morgan Street Llanbradach Caerphilly CF83 3QT**  
RESOLVED: Due to the 21 day statutory response time the clerk responded to CCBC Planning under delegated powers on behalf of members of Llanbradach & Pwllypant Community Council who strongly objected to the change of use of derelict land for the installation and storage of containers and associated works on the following grounds:

“As you may know Llanbradach is a small quiet village within the Caerphilly borough and is mostly residential with one main road through the village. We have already seen the expansion of Caerphilly Skip Hire increasing their capacity from 22,500 tonnes to 74,999 tonnes which has a detrimental effect on village life with operations at the site starting as early as 5.00am with a cacophony of clanking chains, reversing sirens, shunting and skips being dragged along the ground.

Another storage site, containers in this instance, in Llanbradach, will undoubtedly increase noise, dust and traffic. The highway cannot cope with the increased volume of traffic of HGVs in an already congested residential area whereby the surface of the roads have been impacted with HGV vehicles accessing a nearby site.

We have received extensive complaints already from residents in relation to the increased traffic and noise from this newly proposed operation.

It does not just affect one or two persons but many residents living close to the site and those living along the main roads who complain that they can feel the vibrations through the foundations of their homes from the heavy vehicles passing by. Whilst the vibration may not jeopardise the building’s structural integrity and the movement might be minimal, human perception of motion is significant and it is very disturbing to the occupants.

Whilst we appreciate that the area to the rear of Morgan Street is an industrial area, it is also a residential area, with a rear lane and back gardens backing onto this site. The Community Centre is widely used by young people who use the car park for ball games. It’s an area enjoyed too with dog walkers. We would like CCBC to consider carefully the adverse and detrimental effect on residents of Llanbradach should this change of use be permitted.

Our residents have a basic right to quiet enjoyment which this change of use would not and does not allow”.

**103 Planning Applications**

Planning applications were received and discussed. 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.

Email:31/10/2022

Case Ref. 22/0879/CLPU Site Area: 429m<sup>2</sup>

Location: 15 Heol Ty-Gwyn Llanbradach Caerphilly CF83 3PA (UPRN 000043028918)

Proposal: Obtain a Lawful Development Certificate for proposed single storey rear extension

Case Officer: Bridget Jones-Crabtree ☐ 07850 916850 ☐ [jonesbas@caerphilly.gov.uk](mailto:jonesbas@caerphilly.gov.uk)

Ward: Llanbradach Map Ref: 315260 (E) 191322 (N)

Expected Decision Level:Delegated

Community Council: Llanbradach & Pwllypant Comm Council

RESOLVED: No objection

- 104 Next meeting Date:** ORDINARY Meeting on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2022, 6.15pm at Llanbradach Community Centre or remotely.
- 105 RESOLVED:** Council resolved that the public and press be excluded due to the confidential nature of the next item
- 106 Confidential Item – recorded on separate page no. 20**

**Meeting closed at 8.10pm**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Chair      Date: 12<sup>th</sup> December 2022.