



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

**Minutes of the ORDINARY Full Council Meeting held on  
Monday 15th January 2023 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, G Enright, C Mann, A Stone and A West

In attendance: PCSO Sarah Barbour and PCSO Wall

Clerk: C Mortimer

***Vice Chair Cllr Norma Cabble welcomed everyone to the meeting***

**123 Police Update, December 2022**

Crimes logged between 12/12/22 – 16/01/23

96 calls

**Incidents include:**

Missing persons  
Criminal damage  
Malicious Communication  
Domestic incidents  
Concern for safety  
Neighbour disputes

ASB

At the beginning of December we had calls relating to ASB issues, a window was smashed and further 'egging' of a property on school street.

This again was caused by a group of young people. The person responsible for smashing the window admitted to it and as a result this has been dealt with by Community resolution but has also been referred to YOS. No others have been identified.

Since then, no further calls have been taken regarding ASB in and around the area.

We took a call regarding illegal 'tree felling' this has been reported to NRW who were already aware.

BYPASS / PWLL Y PANT ROUNDABOUT

13 calls.

RTC, sheep, flooding and broken-down vehicles.

NO INCIDENTS OF NOTE

N/A

*Chair Cllr Norma Cabble thanked the PCSO's for their attendance and they subsequently left the meeting.*

**124 Apologies** - were received from Cllr B Newton due to family commitments and Cllr M Newton due to work commitments

**125 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.

**126 Chair's Announcements**

Vice Chair Cllr Norma Cabble announced that she and the Chair had visited several homes over Christmas to gift boxes and tins of biscuits to residents for their window displays, which they were rather surprised and delighted to receive.

A brief verbal overview of the flooding situation within the village was received.

Highways had reacted quickly providing sandbags where needed. It was mentioned that prior to the relentless downpour, leaves were cleared from the drains but were not taken away, subsequently washing back into the drains and blocking them.

**127 Minutes**

**Minutes of the ORDINARY COUNCIL meeting held on 11/12/2022** were received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

**128 Matters Arising**

Members received and noted a NALC briefing in relation to Financial Assistance to Churches in relation to Minute No 96 (ii) on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2022, which resolved payments of £100 to Bedwas Parish Trust, Elim Church and St Martins Church towards their food banks.

The briefing does not apply to the food bank at Holy Trinity Church in Ystrad Mynach, whereby £100 was granted, due to the food bank being set up and financed by the Michael Climer Legacy Fund.

Clerk is to determine further whether the food banks are a separate entity to the churches.

**129 Finance to 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023**

**(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 236 was received, approved and signed as an accurate document.

**130 Precept for 2023/23**

(i) Members received and noted the Council Tax Base Notification from CCBC

(ii) Members received and noted the Clerk's Precept Report

(iii) Members received Appendix A which outlines:

a) Actual spend to date as at 03/01/2023 – approved

b) Projected spend to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 – approved

c) Proposed Budget for 2023/24

RESOLVED: Council agreed the proposed budget and setting the precept at 2% for 2023/24, which will mean an increase of 46p per annum per band D equivalent property and a total precept of £35,474.60 to the Community Council on projects including supporting warm spaces initiatives, bus trips and movie nights. The earmarked reserves were also discussed and agreed.

**131 Appropriate Sum under Section 137(4)(a) of the Local Government Act 1972 - Section 137 Expenditure Limit for 2023-24**

Members noted that the appropriate sum for the purposes of section 137(4)(a) of the Local Government Act 1972 (the 1972 Act) for Community and Town Councils in Wales for the financial year 2023-24 is £9.93.

Section 137(1) of the 1972 Act permits each Community or Town Council to incur expenditure for purposes for which it has no other specific powers if the Council considers that the expenditure is in the interests of, and will bring direct benefit to, the area or any part of it, or all or some of its inhabitants, providing that the benefit is commensurate with the expenditure incurred.

Community and Town Councils are also permitted under section 137(3) to incur expenditure for certain charitable and other purposes. The maximum expenditure that can be incurred under both section 137(1) and (3) for the financial year 2023-24 will be £9.93 per elector.

No of electors in Llanbradach & Pwllypant: 1363 x 9.93 = £13,534.59 against s137 (1) and s137(3)

**132 Financial Assistance/Grants 2022/23** – no applications were received.

**133 Projects 2021/22**

(i) Project Summary was received and noted.

(ii) Warm Spaces Initiative – new project

RESOLVED: Council agreed to financially support the library opening additional days at a cost of £31 per day until March and potentially further.

(iii) The Rise – Christmas lighting to be extended into the trees following of the removal of festoon across the road.

**134 Cardiff Conservation** – email was received and noted.

**135 Training** - Training schedule for 2023 was received and noted.

**136 IT equipment for members**

RESOLVED: Council agreed to the purchase of 9 tablets to aid members in their work during their term of office and to help with paper wastage and printing costs.

**137 Minor Authority Vacancy exists on the Board of Governors at Cwm Glas School**

Cllr Ann West was nominated and accepted to represent the Community Council as Minor Authority Representative on the Board of Governors at Cwm Glas School following Cllr David Edwards' recent resignation.

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

Ward members to contact CEO at TfW Mr James Price for a further update.

**139 Bluebell Woods Update** – it was noted that a Public Meeting would be held next week.

**140 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.

**(i) Case Ref.22/0841/COU Site Area: 1758m<sup>2</sup>**

Location: Land Within Morgan Street Works Perimeter Morgan Street Llanbradach Caerphilly CF83 3QT (UPRN 000043166069)

Proposal: Change the use of derelict land from B1 to B8 and installation of storage containers and associated external works

Case Officer: Chantalle Lamnea ☐07874 641747☐lamnec@caerphilly.gov.uk

Ward: Llanbradach Map Ref:314841 (E) 190676 (N)

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

**141 Next meeting Date:** ORDINARY Meeting on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2023, 6.15pm at Llanbradach Community Centre

**Meeting closed at 7.30pm**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Chair Date: 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023

ADDENDUM - Due to the sudden and sad passing of Cllr Adrian Stone and as a mark of respect, our meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> February has been rescheduled to 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023.