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

Minutes of the ORDINARY Council Meeting held on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September 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: G Enright, C Mann, N Cabble (Chair), V Noble

Clerk: C Mortimer

## In Attendance:

Gwent Police: PCSO Beverly Coggan

Chair Cllr Norma Cabble welcomed everyone to the meeting

## 72 Police update July/August/September 2023

PCSO Beverly Coggan wan in attendance and proceeded to present the following report:

### Crimes logged between 10/07/23-10/09/23 - 223 calls

## **Incidents include:**

Missing persons
Domestic incidents
Concern for safety
Public safety
Environmental
Criminal damage
Sudden death

## **ASB**

17 calls.

Intoxicated persons.

Majority of calls relate to ASB issues around School Street, Heol Beulah and Llys Cambria.

Due to the number of calls taken and concerns by the residents, an 'information sharing' meeting (115 meeting) was held with partners on 03/08/23. In attendance were: -

United Welsh Housing Community Safety Department Positive Futures Manager for Diversionary Sporting Activities Youth services Social worker

## **OUTCOME**

UWH have been working with the families involved.

An Acceptable Behaviour Contract has been issued with conditions of taking responsibility for children and supervising them when out.

Children have been involved with a litter pick.

Going forward with local Councillors, we are looking to re invigorate a project that has come to halt in the past. It is to develop a small piece of grassland next to Llys Cambria. Develop it where kids can play, with benches installed so parents can sit and watch their children, also to develop a vegetable growing patch aimed at getting them to take pride and responsibility for the area they live in.

Social services are and have been working with families which live in the location.

Positive futures set up some sporting activities on the field by the library. On a Thursday between 4-6pm. Up to 20+ children have been involved, also their parents.

Youth Services have been involved via REACH referrals and those children aged 10+ Have been issued with Anti-Social Behaviour referrals (ASB).

Community safety wardens have also been involved utilising the mobile CCTV van.

Police have set up a patrol plan for the area using IR3 mapping. 108 officers have patrolled the location between 28/0723 & 31/08/23 at various times of the day/night.

We also received 'racially aggravated' reports involving some of the children, where positive action is to be taken.

Other young persons from the Llanbradach & Pwllypant have been issued with ASB referrals due to incidents outside of our ward areas.

## **BYPASS / PWLL Y PANT ROUNDABOUT**

29 Calls.

Broken down vehicle.

Persons walking on carriageway.

Stones thrown at passing vehicle (ASB)

Sheep/dog on the road.

Kids on the roundabout (ASB)

Various calls for manner of driving.

Rubbish on the carriageway.

Collisions.

#### **MISSING PERSONS**

30 Calls - all relating to Ty Isaf.

Persons -18 years as per protocol, must be reported as missing by staff at the home.

## **THEFT**

A scooter

And calls relating to thefts at Long Life Spares on Colliery Road.

The owner of garages has been issued with notices from NRW and the local authority regarding making the site secure. This must be acted upon by 21st September or are liable to prosecution.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL**

Fire lit at Cwrt Ty Fferm, local children were involved.

Sofa set on fire Pwllypant. Youths identified and dealt with.

#### **CRIMINAL DAMAGE**

Fence and wall painted.

Vehicle 'lock' damage and damage to vehicle

Domestic incident-smashed window

## **CONCERN FOR SAFETY/PUBLIC SAFETY**

Domestic incidents

Malicious communications

Threats/ accusations

CCTV on property complaints

Neighbour incidents

Fraud

Possible cuckooing (reassurance visits and working with partner agencies)

PCSO Beverly Coggan was thanked for her update and she subsequently left the meeting.

- 73 Public participation there was no public participation.
- 74 Apologies apologies were received from Cllr A West, D Edwards, N Hewer, and B Newton.

Cllr M Newton's absence was approved for a further month due to his work commitments within new employment.

#### 75 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 Mann declared an interest in Grounds Work Wales

#### 76 Chair Announcements

Chair Cllr Norma Cabble announced the following:

- Weekly craft sessions on Mondays 1.30 3.30pm had resumed at Ebenezar Church
- A thank you letter had been received from Mrs Jones and the OAP's & Over 50's Club for their grant

#### 77 Minutes

Minutes of the ORDINARY COUNCIL meeting held on 17/07/2023 were received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

## 78 Matters Arising

It was noted that the land survey was placed on hold until further notice.

## 79 Finance to 3 September 2023

#### (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. 243 and 244 were received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

# 80 Financial Assistance/Grants 2022/23

# **Cerebral Palsy Cymru**

**RESOLVED:** Council agreed to grant the sum of £60 to Cerebral Palsy Cymru on the proviso it supports local people.

## 81 Projects 2023/24

- (i) Project summary was received and noted
- (ii) Christmas Bus trip to Winchester Market 3rd December 2023
  To receive and note three quotations for 53 seater coaches **RESOLVED**: Council ratified the spend of £2,000 for two coaches with Ferris and confirmed that ticket prices would remain the same as last year for residents and non-residents.
- (iii) Summer Scheme Performing Arts

Members received and noted correspondence received from C Emanueli and increased spend. Further breakdown would be required. Plans for next year's session will be discussed again.

(iv) Halloween Activity 31<sup>st</sup> October – hall was booked. Activities - disco, fancy dress and games.

**RESOLVED:** Tickets to be priced at £2 per child. Must be accompanied by an adult. 60 tickets and poster required and event to be published on social media.

(v) The Meadows Wildlife Park and Zoo

**RESOLVED**: Council agreed to funding year 5/6 (30 pupils) from Coed-y-Brain Primary School on an education trip at a cost of £300 in 2024

- (vi) WW Memorial bench deferred for further information. Clerk to visit a bench at Holy Trinity Church that may be suitable.
- (vii) Memorial benches at the Medical Centre and Pwllypant

**RESOLVED:** Council ratified the additional spend of £159.50 per bench for delivery, plaques and fixings. Chair Cllr Norma Cabble was thanked for offering a donation to the sum of £100, from her fund raising activities, towards the late Councillor Adrian Stone's plaque and bench.

(viii) Land to the side of 17 Dewinton Terrace

**RESOLVED**: Following the receipt of three quotations, Council agreed to accept the quotation from Groundwork Wales Cymru to cut back overgrowth and invasive vegetation and remove from site to a registered tipping site at a cost of £741.78

(ix) Santa's Sleigh

**RESOLVED:** Members agreed that Santa's sleigh be held on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December this year due to a Christmas market on Sunday 3rd.

## 82 Training

(i) Clerk will forward training for September October to members.

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

It was noted by members that legal negotiations concerning the acquisition of land to construct the new Ty'n-y-Graig bridge and associated compound licence and easement have progressed to the point where TfW are confident that they will be scheduling a date for completion imminently. The team can finally progress onto the next stage of its replacement. Transport for Wales apologised that the programme to replace Ty'n-y-Graig bridge has taken far longer than anyone anticipated. TfW will keep in touch with members and will share developments as they have them.

Jessica Clement, Eleanor Crowley and Lois Park will be continuing with the development and are keen to progress the discussed giveback schemes, including reaching out to Lisa for a further update on the planters.

## 84 Bluebell Woods Update

Members noted that the Llanbradach Area Regeneration Committee (LARC) were awaiting a response from the Charity Commission following their submission of a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO) application.

# 85 Planning Applications

Members approved the Clerk using plenary powers, to respond to CCBC's Planning Department on the following planning applications, as time would not allow us to respond within the timeframe, if we were to wait until our next meeting:

(i) Case Ref. 23/0427/DNS Site Area: 10108708m² Location: Twyn Hywel Energy Park Land Noth-West Of Caerphilly (UPRN 0000888888888888) Proposal: The construction and operation of up to 14 wind turbines and associated infrastructure including: hardstanding areas to include turbine foundations, crane hardstanding and laydown/storage area with associated micrositing allowances; electrical substation and control building with underground power cables; new access route connecting onto the A472; onsite access tracks, with pipeline and watercourse crossings; borrow pit(s); anemometer mast; temporary construction and storage compound with associated lay down areas near to the Site entrance; Habitat Management Area; and offsite works to facilitate the movement of abnormal loads such as the construction of over-run areas and temporary modifications to street furniture Case Officer: Anthony Pyne (07850 916854 : pynea@caerphilly.gov.uk Ward: Map Ref: 312717 (E) 210036 (N) Community Council:

Expected Decision Level: Delegated

**RESOLVED:** No objection

(ii) Case Ref. 23/0564/TPO Site Area: 94m² Location: 25 Coed Y Pia Llanbradach Caerphilly CF83 3PT (UPRN 000043070568) Proposal: Pruning work to trees Case Officer: Abbie-Jane Stokes (07907 574195: stokea@caerphilly.gov.uk Ward: Llanbradach Map Ref: 315066 (E) 192360 (N) Community Council: Llanbradach & Pwllypant Community Council Expected Decision Level: Delegated

RESOLVED: No objection

(iii) Case Ref. 23/0545/HH Site Area: 159m² Location: 58 Bluebell View Llanbradach Caerphilly CF83 3GU (UPRN 000043088559) Proposal: Erect double storey rear extension Case Officer: Bridget Jones-Crabtree (07850 916850: jonesbas@caerphilly.gov.uk Ward: Llanbradach Map Ref: 315126 (E) 191551 (N) Community Council: Llanbradach & Pwllypant Community Council Expected Decision Level: Delegate

**RESOLVED:** No objection

(iv) Case Ref. 23/0540/FULL Site Area: 90m² Location: 1 Station Road Llanbradach Caerphilly CF83 3LF (UPRN 000043017818) Proposal: Convert property into four flats with single storey rear extension Case Officer: Chantalle Lamnea ( 07874 641747 : <a href="mailto:lamnea@caerphilly.gov.uk">lamnea@caerphilly.gov.uk</a> Ward: Llanbradach Map Ref: 314799 (E) 190185 (N) Community Council: Llanbradach & Pwllypant Community Council Expected Decision Level: Delegated

**RESOLVED:** Llanbradach & Pwllypant Community Council objected to 23/0540/FULL, and the development of four flats, on the grounds of highway safety due to existing congestion with cars along this street and neighbouring streets and insufficient off street parking with this proposed development.

(v) There were no new planning applications received.

**Next meeting Date:** ORDINARY Meeting on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2023, 6.15pm at Llanbradach Community Centre.

ADDENDUM: meeting date changed to Monday 16th October 2023

## Meeting closed at 8.20pm

Signed:	Chair	Date: 16 <sup>th</sup> October 2023
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