

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

# Minutes of the ORDINARY Council Meeting held on Monday 8th January 2024 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 (Chair), D Edwards, G Enright, N Hewer, C Mann, V Noble and A West (Vice Chair) **Clerk:** C Mortimer **In Attendance:** Local resident Mrs Ivy Walker

# Chair Cllr Norma Cabble welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**138** Apologies – an apology was received from Cllr B Newton due to work commitments.

# **139** 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 of interest.

Chair Cllr Norma Cabble invited Mrs Ivy Walker to address members.

# 140 Public participation

Mrs. Ivy Walker was in attendance to raise the matter of development of the land near Llanbradach AFC, which she has been walking and enjoying for over 40 years. She explained to members that the land, habitats, trees and flowers have been completely destroyed under tonnes of builder's rubble and a number of trees removed and asked why the Community Council wasn't doing more.

Members explained that Caerphilly County Borough Council (CCBC) had been made aware of the issues back in December, they in turn contacted Mr Gooch, owner of the land, and Requested that a planning application be submitted and advised him to cease work until CCBC had decided to permit or refuse development.

Mrs. Walker further explained that several lorries were seen at the site more recently and therefore alleged that Mr Gooch was in breach of planning.

Mrs. Walker was reassured that the alleged breach will be reported to CCBC and we would further update her.

Chair and Members thanked Mrs. Walker for her attendance, and she subsequently left the meeting.

# 141 Police update

There was no police attendance however a report had been received and noted: <u>Police Update, January 2024</u> Crimes logged between 11/12/23-08/01/24 <u>82 calls</u> Incidents include:

Missing persons (Ty-isaf) Domestic incidents Criminal damage Assault Harassment Vehicle theft Drug Drive Shed break Car break

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ASB One call to School Street

# **BYPASS / PWLL Y PANT ROUNDABOUT**

8 Calls.
BDV (Broken down vehicle).
Persons walking on carriageway.
RTC (road traffic collision)
Dangerous driving
2 x calls for off road bikes (Corbetts lane)

## **MISSING PERSONS**

2 Calls relating to Ty Isaf. Persons -18 years as per protocol, must be reported as missing by staff at the home.

## **CRIMINAL DAMAGE**

Relating to the Cottage Guest house.

## <u>OTHER</u>

Nothing of note.

# 142 Chair Announcements

Chair Cllr Norma Cabble announced the following:

- Christmas lights were judged with Vice Chair Cllr Ann West and prizes were distributed.
- Chair Cllr Norma Cabble had attended a Santa event at the library, as an elf, and helped to coordinate the entertainment.
- Chair and Clerk attended Llamau in Llanbradach to present a cheque. Mrs Ann Davies and a colleague were busily preparing a Christmas dinner for the young residents to enjoy.

## 143 Minutes

To receive and if approved to confirm and sign the Minutes of the ORDINARY COUNCIL held on 11/12/2023 as an accurate record.

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

# 145 Finance to 03 January 2024

#### (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 – it was noted that there was no bank statement received as at 03/01/24.

## 146 Precept for 2024/25 – this item was deferred until the next meeting.

(i) To receive and note Council Tax Base Notification from Caerphilly County Borough Council (CCBC)

- (ii) To receive Clerk's Precept Report
- (iii) To receive Appendix A which outlines:
- a) Actual spend to date as at 03/01/2024 approval required
- b) Projected spend to 31st March 2024 approval required
- c) Proposed Budget for 2024/25

# 147 Financial Assistance/Grants 2023/24 – there were no grants received.

# 148 Projects 2023/24

(i) Project summary was received and noted.(ii) Members requested that quotes be obtained from Elsbury and Centregreat for Christmas lighting

# 149 Training

(i) Members received and noted OVW training schedule for Jan - March 2024

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

There were no further updates. However it was noted that there had been significant flooding, allegedly water from TfW land, which was reported and is being investigated.

## 151 Bluebell Woods - Llanbradach Area Regeneration Committee (LARC)

It has previously been noted that LARC has received a charitable status. There were no further updates.

## 152 Planning Applications

To receive and discuss Case Ref: 23/0879/FULL- Jasmine House Colliery Road UPRN 000043018074 RESOLVED: No objection on the proviso there is sufficient off street parking without removing established tree line. There are issues with the carriageway.

# 153 RESOLVED: Meeting closed to the press and public due to the confidential nature of the Next two items:

# (i) Co-option Vacancy

Members received and discussed applications. Resolved: Council agreed to invite applicant no.1 to our next meeting.

(ii) Wingfield Allotment - this item was discussed.

# 154 **RESOLVED:** Meeting re-opened to the press and public.

# 155 Next Ordinary meeting Dates:

- Monday 15th January 2024, 7.00pm at Llanbradach Community Centre.
- Monday 12th February 2024, 6.15pm at Llanbradach Community Centre.

Meeting closed at 7.30pm

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_Chair Date: 12<sup>th</sup> February 2024