



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

**Minutes of the ORDINARY Council Meeting held on
Monday 26th February 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: V Alexander, N Cabble (Chair), D Edwards, G Enright, N Hewer, C Mann, B Newton, V Noble and A West (Vice Chair)

Clerk: C Mortimer

Chair Cllr Norma Cabble welcomed everyone to the meeting, especially our newly co-opted Councillor Vikki Alexander to her first meeting.

Prior to the meeting commencing, the Chair reminded members to show respect and consideration to one another and requested members to go through the Chair in the first instance by raising their hand and waiting their turn before speaking.

164 Police update - February 2024

The police were not present however members received and noted a written report/update:

Crimes logged between 08/01/24-12/02/24

82 calls

Incidents include:

Missing persons (Ty-isaf)

Domestic incidents

Criminal damage

Assault

Vehicle theft

Vulnerable Adult

Stolen vehicle

Highway obstruction

Absconder

Concern for safety

Violence

Fraud

Fly tipping

ASB

1 X playing football on the High street.

10 CALLS BYPASS / PWLL Y PANT ROUNDABOUT

BDV (Broken down vehicle).

RTC (road traffic collision)

Dangerous driving

2 x calls for off road bikes (Corbett's lane)

Lorry shed load

Dead Dog

Erratic driving

Traffic lights out

Abandoned vehicle

MISSING PERSONS

6 X Calls relating to Ty Isaf.

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

OTHER

Ongoing patrols for Corbett's Lane regarding parking and off-road bikes. This has been added to our patrol plan and we are continuing engagement with residents and highways at CCBC.

Other instances brought up by members were: intimidation in the street and the dog incident, reported above, was not attended by the Police.

165 Apologies – there were no absences.

166 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 and Cllr David Edwards declared an interest in minute no.177 – Caerphilly & District Twinning Association.

167 Public participation – there were no members of the public present.

168 Chair Announcements – there were no new announcements

169 Minutes

Minutes of the ORDINARY COUNCIL meeting held on 8/01/2024 were received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

170 Matters Arising – there were no matters arising.

171 Minutes

Minutes of the ORDINARY COUNCIL meeting held on 15/01/2024 were received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

172 Matters Arising

(i) It was noted that £30 cash was received from Wingfield Allotment Association as a contribution for the purchase of our generator, which will be banked.

173 Finance to 07 February 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 no's 249 & 248 were received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

174 Financial Assistance/Grants 2022/23

(i) Marie Curie Cymru

RESOLVED: Council agreed to grant the sum of £100 to Marie Curie Cymru.

175 Financial Assistance Application Form

(i) Members received, approved and adopted a new grant form for clubs/organisations to complete when applying for grant funding.

(ii) Members agreed that the criterion for new organisations applying for funding, should be Fulfilled: New clubs are to complete the newly adopted grant application form and are required to provide copies of their constitution, their latest bank statements and copy of their latest minutes.

176 Projects 2023/24to

(i) Project summary was received and noted.

(ii) Memorial bench

Members liked the daffodil bench created by local artist at Horizon Forge. As it was going to be sighted by the cenotaph and to commemorate D Day's 80th Anniversary, it was suggested that poppies be included within the design and reference to D Day. Costs also required.

(iii) Update on planters and bird boxes

A post advertising Free habitats for residents to install in their gardens will be placed on

Facebook. A photo of the habitats in situ would be required too.

The village is looking so much cleaner and brighter, thanks to the teams of people, coordinated by TfW. Twenty planter boxes have been placed around the village too. A further two to be placed in Pwllpant. There has been a lot of positive feedback received from residents.

(iv) Shed to be moved to Pwllpant Village Hall

The Pwllpant Village Hall Management Committee agreed that the KWT shed could be sited to the back of the hall, for residents to access tools, as and when planting and litter picking events were taking place. Cllr Nicola Hewer would be a key holders.

(v) Christmas lighting from the sleigh

Members agreed to hold onto the lights.

(vi) Easter Disco – Sunday 7th April 2024 2.30pm – 4.30pm

Cllr B Newton to provide posters and tickets. Help required before and after the event. All members were available to help.

(vii) Halloween Disco – Thursday 31st October 2024 2pm – 5pm

Date was noted by members. Much help is required.

(viii) Pantomime – Saturday 7th December 2024 2pm & 5pm

Date was noted by members. Much help is required.

(ix) D Day 80th Anniversary – a commemorative bench was discussed for the 6th June 2024.

(x) Summer Scheme – Cllr Vikki Alexander and the Clerk will make enquiries. It was suggested that a few bus trips be organized instead this year if the Performing Arts were not to go ahead. The skateboarding and sport would continue.

177 Caerphilly & District Twinning Association

Letter was received and noted. It was agreed that the association be invited to a future meeting.

178 Training

(i) Members received and noted training schedule with OVW for March.

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

Cllr Colin Mann is in regular dialogue with TfW for updates on progress, the latest update being:

“Legal negotiations concerning the acquisition of land required to construct the new Ty'n-y-Graig bridge and for temporary lay down of the associated compound licence and easement have caused the single most significant delay to our works here. However, negotiations have progressed to the point where we're confident that we'll be scheduling a date for completion imminently. TfW has been ready to complete this acquisition for a long time, however, the landowners have – in recent weeks – asked us to re-evaluate the land take required and re-vise our plans. We have engaged our contractor to reduce the area required for construction activities and provide the response this week, which will hopefully see us able to finally conclude the purchase and easement. In the meantime, we have engaged a contractor for the delivery of the replacement bridge at Ty'n-y-Graig and the design work has commenced. I'm sorry to say that there had also been delay to this as, again, we needed access to third-party land to undertake surveys to inform design. However, this is now progressing and design is due for completion by end of March”.

180 Bluebell Woods Bluebell Woods Update - Llanbradach Area Regeneration Committee (LARC)

It has previously been noted that LARC has received a charitable status.

181 Land Lying to the East of Berllanlwyd Llanbradach CF83 3RW – there were no further updates.

182 Cylch Meithrin Llanbradach – Cllr Vikki Alexander agreed to volunteer on the Volunteer Management Committee to help develop a Cylch Meithrin and a Ti a Fi group at Llanbradach Community Centre,

183 Draft Waste & Recycling Strategy Consultation

Members felt that CCBC should be concentrating on reducing waste and encouraging residents in composting garden waste.

Members felt that some may struggle to separate residual waste and also believed that illicit tipping may increase. A booking system with an annual limit of visits for tipping waste could prove problematic too for residents.

184 Planning Applications (late applications will be tabled at meeting)

Case Ref. 23/0879/FULL Site Area: 981m² Location: Jasmine House Colliery Road Llanbradach Caerphilly CF83 3QQ (UPRN 000043018074) Proposal: Convert dwelling into 4 no. self contained flats, including the erection of a two storey rear extension, a first floor rear extension, a front roof dormer, external staircase, access and internal road improvements and retaining wall features Case Officer: Joshua Burrows (07874 641749 : burroj1@caerphilly.gov.uk Ward: Llanbradach Map Ref: 314696 (E) 190551 (N) Community Council: Llanbradach & Pwllypant Community Council Expected Decision Level: Delegated

RESOLVED: No objection

Case Ref: 24/0118/RET

Location: 60 Heol Ty-gwyn Llanbradach Caerphilly CF83 3PB

Proposal: Retain and complete replacement garage

Case Officer: Abbie-Jane Stokes

Community Council: Llanbradach & Pwllypant Community Council

RESOLVED: No objection

185 Next meeting Date: ORDINARY Meeting on Monday 11th March 2024, at the slightly earlier time of 6.00pm , due to Bute Energy attending, at Llanbradach Community Centre

Meeting closed at 8.10pm

Signed: _____ **Chair** **Date: 11th March 2024**