

Cofnodion Cyngor Cymuned Llanboidy
Minutes of Llanboidy Community Council
Meeting held on Monday 4th October @ 7.30pm
Llanboidy Market Hall.

Presennol / Present:

Chairman: Eleri Jones (EJ)

Councillors Present – Nigel Thomas (NT), Rodney Williams (RW), Sue Evans (SE), Delyth Dent (DD), Gary Phillips (GP), Owain Young (OY), Julie Thomas (JT).

Clerk: Philippa Scannell (PS)

Ymddiheuriadau / Apologies: Dorian Phillips (DP), Rhiannon Davies (RD)

The minutes of the September meeting were adopted as a true record; proposed by Julie Thomas, seconded by Owain Young.

Declarations of Interest

SE: Leisure path / Market Hall

RW: Church / Hall

NT: Hall

Matters Arising

Issue	Update
1. Highways Update	DP reported (via PS) that he has not yet set a meeting with the policeman to visit Llanboidy and look at the parking. The Council asked PS to follow this up with DP and try and ensure that a meeting is held with the policeman around 6pm one evening as soon as possible because the parking is an ongoing, dangerous problem in the village. Potholes continue to be filled.
2. Cardi Bach Public right of way claim.	No update
3. Super-fast broadband	No update
4. Installation of defibrillator into phone box	NT is purchasing items required to move the defibrillator into the phone box. PS to email Calon Hearts as they have taken over care of defibrillators in Wales and have sent an email to community councils asking if we need any help with local defibrillators. They may offer grants to cover the cost of upkeep, etc as well as installation.
5. Dog fouling	Eco Green Communities have said they will have draft artwork for the dog station with us this month. General reports is that dog fouling in the area seems to be less than it was.
6. Market Hall / Leisure path	A New Dawn for Llanboidy (ANDL) paid the outstanding amount today (4 th October) so PS will bank these cheques and once they have cleared, will pay for the items that were ordered in August.

	<p>PS asked for unanimous agreement from the council that in the future, ANDL will be responsible for sourcing a quote and transferring the money across to the Community Council account before ordering anything in the Council's name.</p> <p>The steel railings and gates have been ordered and paid for. The quoted price had gone up slightly but was unanimously agreed, via email, by all councillors in September.</p>
7. Pavement in Llanboidy	<p>All permissions now in place, this project is ready to start.</p> <p>The hedge should be moved back in the next couple of weeks as permission has now been received to do that.</p>
8. Parking on road to social club	<p>Seems to have improved. The Social club has a meeting next week so JT will report back at the next meeting in November.</p>
9. Sunny Hill	<p>PS emailed Jason Lawday about the fence across the footpath but Mr. Lawday said he has not had time to visit that site since last year so he does not know whether or not the order to remove the fence has been enforced.</p> <p>PS will continue to chase this up.</p>
10. Toilet door closers	<p>At the moment the doors do not always fully close which lets water and debris in and also means the lights automatically go on which will increase the cost of electric. However, NT pointed out when there were door closers before, they made the doors difficult for children to open and close.</p> <p>NT to look at options and report back at November meeting.</p>
11. Webinar feedback	<p>Keep Wales Tidy / One Voice webinar: clerk reported that although there are various options to register with KWT, they would all involve setting up a new community group which would require at least five members and a constitution. The council unanimously agreed that we do not need to join KWT and will continue to do our own litter picking as standard.</p> <p>Non-native invasive species: Wales Resilient Ecological Network They have sustainable management funding until 2023. The main three problematic plants were named as Himalayan Balsam, Japanese Knotweed and Rhododendron. The top two current control methods are mechanical and chemical. The main barriers to controlling these invasive species was identified as a lack of funding and resources and also the problem of accessing private land and dealing with private land owners. They also reported that 40% of local authorities in Wales do not have an invasive species strategy.</p>
12. Correspondence	
One Voice Wales	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Carmarthen Area Committee online meeting, 27th October. (forwarded) - Consultation on taxes on second homes & self-catering accommodation (forwarded again and asked all councillors to complete) - New National Lottery funding pot launched for community organisations working to combat climate change in their local area (forwarded)
Henllanfallteg Community Council	Clerk vacancy.
Carmarthenshire County Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Virtual coffee morning on 11th October for the general public, aimed at generating awareness of Hate Crime and preventing it. (forwarded)
Independent Remuneration	Draft report, setting out new guidelines / categories. Llanboidy Ward will be a Group 4, annual allowance compulsory, optional attendance allowance now available Groups 1-4.

Panel for Wales	PS to summarise at meeting.
Dan Snaith (Keep Wales Tidy)	If we want to register with KWT and have litter picking supplies / get free insurance then we need to form a group separate from the Community Council. Dan said he can help us to do that if we want to proceed.
Swyddog Prosiect – Canolfan Hywel Dda	Thank you for the cheque to help the Abbey Open Days. They had a board up out the front thanking Llanboidy Community Council and two others.
Wales Air Ambulance Charity	Thank you for their grant.
Eisteddfod Urdd	Thank you for their grant.
Cymdeithas Cymru	Email asking for support from community councils, attached letter to sign if the community council wishes to. EJ read to the meeting, all councillors signed. PS to ask RD/DP if they wish to sign and will also forward the email and attachment to all councillors so they can forward on to others if they wish.
The National Sector Survey	Local Councils and the role of the Clerk: PS completed survey.
Natural Resources Wales	Western Wales river basin management plan 2021-2027 - Natural Resources Wales Citizen Space
Swyddog Clwb Cwtsh Mudiad Meithrin	Free online Learn Welsh sessions for new learners (forwarded)
Actif Adult Officer	Back on your bike: Town and Community Cycling project. Do we want to register an interest?
Boundary Commission for Wales	Proposals for new boundaries, Llanboidy ward will stay as it is.
Calon Heart	£300 grant available for communities who wish to purchase a defibrillator. Llanboidy & Llanglydwen already have one. Are there any other villages in our ward who could benefit from having one?
RNID (Royal National Institute for the Deaf)	Looking for volunteers in the Carmarthenshire area.
Community Council Audits	Requested that clerks put up an Audit notice to inform people that audited accounts are not going to be published on schedule this year. PS has put a sign on the noticeboard and the notice plus unaudited accounts are available on the website.
13. Payments	All payments were approved by Delyth Dent, seconded by Julie Thomas.

Payment	Details	Amount
Danfo	Toilet cleaning (September)	£144
Matthew Rogers	Grass maintenance (September)	£448.40
Philippa Scannell	Clerk's wages (September)	£TBC
HMRC	Tax on clerk's wages (September)	£TBC

14. Any Other Business	<p>M. Rogers would like to plant more bulbs around the leisure path: RW to source bulbs and give them to him.</p> <p>Dead trees on the turn to Cwmfelin Mynach, past DP Building Supplies, GP offered to sort this out.</p> <p><u>Overhanging branches:</u> Pont-Y-Fenni by Fforest Farm, Glan Rhyd, Christine King Clyn Gwyn Bach, Edward Clyn Gwyn Mansion, Bulger Pen-y-gar-fach.</p> <p><u>Belvue:</u> dangerous Ash dieback issue, some branches have already fallen.</p>
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	<p><u>Carbon Offset comments</u> (based on DP asking last month):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Concerns that land will not be farmed.- Will the farm buildings be lived in and kept well?- Loss of agricultural identity in our community.- Huge loss of local food production.- Loss of identity.- Why not use higher, unproductive land that cannot be farmed to plant trees instead of planting all over functional farms that can be used for farming?- Big companies will price local farmers completely out of the market.- This could cause a “knock-on” effect across Wales i.e. farmers selling out to big companies. <p>? Boundary tour for councillors & clerk ? Sub-committee for commemorative event</p>
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Date of Next Meeting – Monday 1st November 2021 @ 7.30pm
Llanboidy Market Hall*

*Social distancing guidelines will be adhered to.