

**LLANBOIDY COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON**  
**WEDNESDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2024 AT 7.30 PM IN LLANBOIDY MARKET**  
**HALL**

**PRESENT:** Rhiannon Davies (RD, Chairperson), Delyth Dent (DD), Dorian Phillips (DP), Rodney Williams (RW), Eleri Jones (EJ), Susan Evans (SE), Nigel Thomas (NT), Owain Young (OY).

**APOLOGIES:** Ben Anthony (BA).

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Cathy Davies (CD).

**Confirmation of minutes of meeting on 6th March.**

The minutes of the meeting were **ACCEPTED** as a true record.  
Proposed by RW, seconded by SE.

**Matters arising from March Minutes:**

a. Drive round the parish boundary. CD to try re-arranging this again.

b. Gazebo in parc – press release. No progress as yet. CD to publicise the gazebo and not wait for the play area news.

**ACTION: CD to circulate press release for gazebo.**

c. Street lights. Painting the pavement outside the Hall still needs to be done.

**ACTION: DP to organise painting of pavement with reflective paint.**

Street light by NT replaced but now not working again. National Grid has been contacted re this as they are currently working in the village to put 3 phase electricity into the school.

d. SSE Smart Meter installation in toilets. CD still pursuing this with SSE. DD suggested trying to contact them first thing in the morning.

e. Footpaths. No updates.

## **Declarations of Interest.**

There are no new declarations to date. OY has yet to translate the Declaration of Interest form into Welsh and he will then complete it.

**ACTION: OY to translate declaration of interests form.**

### **1. Highways Update.**

DP gave a report. The potholes are slowly being done but the reporting system is not good. There is still no progress on the parking restrictions in the village. There are some issues with people leaving their cars parked long term on the bends.

### **2. Planning.**

PL/07105	<b>Consultation until 23/03/24</b> – Shed for storage of equipment – The Old Mill, Login, Whitland, SA34 0TL - forwarded to members for comment.
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This was noted. There were no comments.

### **3. Resignation of Julie Thomas (Phillips) as Council member. To inform members of the action to be taken.**

CD informed members of the action she was to take following discussion with the County Council who will provide a formal Notice for residents to ask for an election. She explained that should 10 electors from the community not ask for an election by the cut off date then the Community council will be able to ask for co-options and choose between any of those who put themselves forward. OY formally made a vote of thanks to JT for her hard work and it was AGREED that the Chair would write a formal letter of thanks to Julie with a card.

**ACTION: CD to liaise with CCC over Notice for the public. RD to write and thank JT.**

### **4. One Voice Wales Award for Youth Engagement. Update for members.**

CD reported back from the One Voice Wales Conference and Awards Ceremony which she, SE and DP had attended and where

the Council had received a Highly Commended certificate for our Youth Engagement work over the play area. It was AGREED that the Certificate would go up in the Market Hall. SE and DP said what a good day it was.

**5. Audit 2024 and Annual Financial Timetable of Actions (One Voice Wales) – proposed Llanboidy timetable for approval of annual return.**

CD drew members' attention to the recent papers from Audit Wales with the timetable for the Annual Return to be submitted and explained she hoped to be able to bring this, following internal audit, to the next meeting in May.

**6. Cleaning of Public Conveniences – update on action taken.**

CD updated members on the appointment of Jeni Dickinson Cleaning Services to clean the public toilets on a trial basis and it was AGREED unanimously to continue with this for a trial period in order to assess what the additional costs would be over employing a company like DANFO. Jeni will invoice the Council monthly for cleaning and any items of cleaning materials etc. she buys in the future and CD informed members she had provided Jeni with cleaning materials for this month. Members had noted that toilet brushes had been left in the toilets and CD was asked to tell Jeni to keep the toilet brushes in the cleaning cupboard. It was AGREED that CD would write to DANFO to ask for our keys back.  
**ACTION: CD to contact DANFO for keys.**

**7. Training Plan for Members – draft for consideration for second time.**

The Plan was APPROVED unanimously.

**8. Shared Prosperity Fund – update and discussion on additional equipment and fencing now needed e.g. outdoor table tennis table etc. for which grant can be applied.**

Following delivery of the play equipment and safety matting on 21<sup>st</sup> March, 3 sessions have already been spent putting the equipment together, though with poor instructions. DP will set up a WhatsApp group to keep the work going. DP suggested we wait until the equipment is in place to apply for further funding for fencing etc so

that we are clear precisely what is needed. DP suggested we put something under the safety matting – this will be decided later. It was suggested we hold a Party in the Park once the installation of the equipment is completed. CD outlined the difficulties she was having with CCC over obtaining the second advance payment for the play equipment.

**9. Penback Farm and Llechclawdd and Planned Forestry Creation – update.**

CD has contacted the new Minister for Climate Change and Rural Affairs to request a meeting in order to present the petition but as yet has received no response. CD drew members' attention to the email from Tilhill about Llechclawdd and there was a discussion as to whether it would be a good idea to have a meeting with Llanwinio CC about this as some of the land is in Llanwinio. It was AGREED that CD would write to Llanwinio asking for a joint full Council meeting to discuss Llechclawdd, probably to take place in Llanboidy, and preferably before our AGM. CD also suggested contacting One Voice Wales to see if other Community Councils are having the same issue.

**ACTION: CD to write to Clerk of Llanwinio CC to propose a meeting of both Councils and to One Voice Wales.**

**10. Defibrillators – do we need to consider buying additional ones to fulfil the 3 minute rule i.e. reduce the chances of fatal attacks?**

There was a full discussion of this matter and it was AGREED to agenda it for further discussion at the next meeting and possible siting of additional defibrillators in Cefn-y-Pant, Cefn Brafle or Pontyfenni. It was AGREED that CD would put a post on the Facebook page seeking the opinion of residents as to whether there was anyone who would offer to fundraise for additional defibrillators or how they felt about the precept being used for this. There followed a discussion about the precept and whether or not to involve members of the community in setting it in the future.

**ACTION: CD to put post on Facebook page.**

**11. Grant applications received – Llanboidy Market Hall, Llanboidy Tug of War Team, St Brynach's Church, Trinity Chapel, Wales Air Ambulance, Cefn y Pant Chapel, Llanboidy**

**Sports and Social Club, Llanglydwen Community Association,  
Marie Curie Daffodil appeal, Carmarthenshire All Wales  
Ploughing. To be considered at next meeting in May.**

It was AGREED that as the deadline had passed, it was too late for any further applications to be considered.

**12. AGM – suggestions for opening the meeting up and making it more accessible and interesting for community members and encouraging more community involvement.**

It was felt it was too late to organise anything for this year's AGM but in future to consider some sort of publicity to show the community what we do, including suggestions as to what members of the community could help with e.g litter picking or clearing footpaths etc. It was AGREED that CD would publicise the AGM on the FaceBook page and on the notice board.

**13. Correspondence.**

CD outlined all the correspondence received during the month. It was suggested that CD contact Royal British Legion Whitland and Llanboidy branch to see if they are doing anything for D Day. It was also AGREED to add EV charging point as a regular item on the agenda in the future.

**14. Accounts for Payment.**

<b>Payment</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Amount</b>
C. Davies	Clerk's wages (March) – to be paid by BACS. Includes outstanding 32 hours authorised last month but not yet paid.	£746.92
HMRC	Tax on clerk's wages – to be paid by BACS.	£186.60
Admin. Expenses	Printer ink (February) £2.99, Quickbooks £23.16 (April) to be paid by BACS. Cleaning materials for toilets. £28.03.	£54.18
Llanboidy Market Hall	Hire of hall for meetings – March – Council plus cleaner interviews	£94.40
One Voice Wales	Awards Conference fees – 3 attendees	£180
CCC	Electricity – footway lighting for April 2023-March 2024	£1,666.51
DANFO	Invoice for MARCH – I have told them to speak to each other!! They finished cleaning for us in February.	Not to be paid.
Jeni Dickinson Cleaning Services	Cleaning of toilets – from March 11 <sup>th</sup> to 23 <sup>rd</sup> – 4 x £24 - (no invoice yet received so to be confirmed). Invoice now received since agenda published.	£96

All accounts were **APPROVED** for payment unanimously.

**15. Super-fast broadband – updates.**

DP gave an update. Work has progressed on the legal agreement between CCC and Voneus re their use of street lamps to put in gigabyte wireless broadband. DP also highlighted that landlines are going to be removed in 2025 and that BT are running events ready for digital switchover to using broadband for phone calls. There will be an event on 17<sup>th</sup> and 18th April in the garden centre in Carmarthen. DP will forward an email to CD about this for forwarding to members.

**16. AOB**

EJ – gave her apologies for the AGM and next meeting.

SE – suggested the Council consider producing a newsletter and circulated copies of other Town Council newsletters from the recent conference – it was **AGREED** that this would be discussed again at a future meeting.

DD – reported a pothole to DP.

**AGM: Wednesday 8th May 2024 @ 7.00 pm.**

**Next meeting date & time: Wednesday May 8th @ 7.30pm, Market Hall, Llanboidy.**

**Cathy Davies – Clerk (clerccllanboidy@gmail.com)**