

MINUTES OF THE LLANDEGLA COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2024 IN THE LLANDEGLA MEMORIAL HALL AT 7.00 PM.

1. PRESENT:

Councillors Gwyneth Dillon (Chair), Elizabeth Parker-Clark, Steve Swygart, Hilary Berry, Neena Barlow together with the Clerk.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Councillors Janet Strivens, Sandra Rogers, Gaynor Wonderley together with Denbighshire County Councillor Terry Mendies.

3. 'MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO DECLARE PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA. IT IS A REQUIREMENT THAT DECLARATIONS FROM A MEMBER INCLUDE THE NATURE OF THE INTEREST AND WHETHER IT IS PERSONAL OR PREJUDICIAL'. (STANDING ORDERS NO 57).

None received.

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION.

"THIS PROVIDES AN OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO RAISE QUESTIONS ABOUT AND COMMENT ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA - TIME FOR THIS SESSION IS LIMITED TO 10 MINUTES."

None received.

5. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING.

Members confirmed the 1<sup>st</sup> February 2024 minutes as a true record and signed by the Chair.

6. REPORT FROM DENBIGHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCILLOR.

Councillor Terry Mendies provided the following written report:-

A. HIGHWAYS, ROAD REPAIRS AND POTHOLES.

I have once again reported the road service defects on the A525 between the Grousemoor and the One Planet Bike Park, and also the A5104 between Allt Yr Efail and Bodidris Hall.

B. WASTE COLLECTION CHANGES.

As from 3rd June There will be the new Trollibocs rollout. Residents will receive a leaflet in the coming weeks, there are copies in the Village Shop. PLANNING BREACHES. The meeting with Planning and Planning Enforcement scheduled for 6th March has been pushed back to the 11th March. I hope to have an accurate update for the April meeting

C. X51 AND 51 BUS SERVICE.

On Saturday 24th February there was a slight glitch in the Mini Bus connection service. The mid day connection did not arrive, This was due to an error with the service provider, they apologised for any inconvenience.

D. THE LLANDEGLA ARMS.

Don't forget the Pop up Bar is once again in the Community Hall on Saturday 23rd March, I hope to see you all there.

7. UPDATE ON AVIVA'S DECISION TO WITHDRAW THE DAILY SERVICE BUS FROM THE LLANDEGLA A525 CROSSROADS TO THE LLANDEGLA SCHOOL JUNCTION, ALLT-YR-EFAIL IN LLANDEGLA.

Update covered within the County Councillor's monthly report under agenda item 6C above.

#### 8. PICNIC AREA ENTRANCE/COMMON LAND SOLICITOR APPOINTMENT.

The Clerk still awaits a reply from John Owens, Solicitors of St. Asaph regarding the land ownership of the land in question.

#### 9. UPDATE ON THE COUNCIL'S FORMER BT KIOSK, NOTICE BOARDS AND PLANTERS.

Mr Andrew Fife has completed the required work on the community notice board at the Llandegla Car Park opposite the Memorial Hall.

#### 10. REVIEW OF THE COUNCIL'S POLICIES.

Councillor Elizabeth Parker-Clark reported that the Council's "Training Plan" is now complete which will be included on the Council's Website.

#### 11. PATHWAY AT CAE MAIR.

Members resolved that the only option the Council in order to proceed with the required highway pathway at Cae Mair is to fund Denbighshire County Council via the Llandegla Commuted Funds.

#### 12. CCTV & ANPR.

Councillor Hilary Berry reported that she still awaits a reply from David Evans of North Wales Police with information to progress the CCTV and ANPR for Llandegla.

#### 13. RECTORY ASSOCIATION.

Councillor Hilary Berry provided the following report for information:-

"As a representative of the Community Council I attended the Rectory Association Meeting on Wednesday 7th February.

I was asked to offer an invitation to community councillors to attend a 'Brainstorming' session on Wednesday 20th March 2024 at 6:30 in the Memorial Hall.

The purpose of this session is to bring our collective views and skills together in order to consider creating a Community Cohesion Plan/Strategy.

Also, it was highlighted that the Roundabout near the Cider Factory is pretty woeful and not a good welcome to our village."

#### 14. FINANCE.

A. The clerk circulated Members with the bank transactions covering the period from 1<sup>st</sup> April to 29<sup>th</sup> February 2024 for information purposes.

B. Authorised Payments:-

1. Andrew Fife for the Community Notice Board material costs £384.49.
2. AVOW for PAYE administration work for the quarter ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 £27.50.
3. Ysgol Dyffryn Ial grant aid for swimming lessons transport £150.00.
4. One Voice Wales 2024/25 Membership Fee £111.00.
5. Clerk's salary for the quarter ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 £560.20.
6. Clerk's expenses for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 £750.00.
7. Councillor Sandra Rogers Member 2023/24 annual allowance £156.00.
8. HSBC monthly fee £5.00.
9. HM Revenue and Customs PAYE for the quarter ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 £140.00.

C. The Clerk circulated the "Members 2023/24 Annual Allowance" claim forms.

All members claimed the annual entitlement of £156.00 per member.

15. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

None received.

16. TO RECEIVE THE REPORT FROM THE LEISURE & ENVIRONMENTAL AREAS COMMITTEE.

Councillor Steve Swygart is in the process of purchase and laying the necessary chippings for Cae Mair on behalf of the Council.

17. URGENT BUSINESS UNDER SECTION 100B(4) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972.

A: Councillor Elizabeth Parker-Clark reported that she has sourced free training for Defibrillator and First Aid with St. John's Ambulance and will now arrange the training to be held at the Memorial Hall in Llandegla.

B. Councillor Elizabeth Parker-Clark reported that Staffing Committee met prior to the main monthly meeting of the Council. The Committee agreed to to the increase in the Clerk's salary from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 to £16.56 times 20 hours per month, which equates to £3,974.40 per annum and will provide the Clerk with an appraisal for the 2025-25 financial year  
Members thanked Councillor Parker-Clark for the work that she provided on both reports and for the requited works on both projects.

18. NEXT COUNCIL MEETING - THURSDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2024 IN THE LLANDEGLA MEMORIAL HALL AT 7.00 PM.