

Minutes of a meeting of Llanrug Community Council held at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, 15 September 2020 via Zoom.

Present: Councillors Phil Roberts (Chair), Avril Jones (Vice Chair), Iola Parry, Meirwen Lloyd, Beca Brown, Goronwy Hughes, Richard Robinson, Hefin Jones, Haf Williams, Cemlyn Jones, Martin Jones

Apologies: Councillors Alan Pritchard, Gwion Llwyd

Also present: Councillor Berwyn Parry Jones, Member for Cwm y Glo on Gwynedd Council.

Member of the public: Mrs Gemma Jones

Clerk: Meirion Jones

660. To receive a welcome from the Chair

All were warmly welcomed to the meeting and thanked for their attendance. The same member of the public was welcomed and thanked for listening to the meeting.

661. To receive apologies.

Apologies were received as noted above

662. Declaration of personal interest.

Item 675 - Councillor Richard Robinson

663. To confirm minutes of meeting 18 August 2020

The minutes were duly confirmed and signed by the Chairman

664. To receive any comments arising from the minutes.

Item 647

It was reported that a letter had not been sent to the former councillor as how to deal with such issues was an agenda item tonight. The Chairman further reported that he had visited Mr Clifford Williams.

Item 649

It was reported that a lower price had been received and it was decided to accept this price. The clerk to make the necessary arrangements.

Item 650

Referred to Gwynedd Council but the response was that it was not considered urgent but would be addressed in due course

Item 651

Work done

Item 652

Referred to Gwynedd Council but with a response that was not considered urgent but would be addressed in due course

665. To consider Christmas 2020 arrangements and to consider extending existing lighting, remove the Christmas tree at Cwm y Glo

It was reported that the council followed the resolution of the leisure committee on 9th July 2020 and was approved by the council at its meeting of 21 July 2020. The decision of the council at that time was as set out below under item 631 (f)

Christmas 2020 arrangements. Among the issues discussed was a competition for local decorating businesses and houses and all members are asked to inquire before the August meeting about their ideas and see what the community likes.

Resolved: Continue to locate the Christmas trees in their current locations for Christmas 2020. No responses received from members of the public.

666. T To consider the council's strategy for 2021/2022 and the future

It was reported that the council was required to have a strategy for the next 3 or 4 years as a basis for raising the precept amount and deciding how the council would carry out its work. To begin this process it will be necessary to engage with the community as well as committees and come up with any ideas or 'shopping list'.

Resolved: For the committees to meet with their list of aims and objectives for the future as well as prepare a questionnaire for residents.

667. To consider a scheme for honoring individuals who have served the community.

Resolved: Defer decision until October meeting.

668. Council logo - needs to decide if staying with the current one or updating it and getting it on 'hi row'. Or an opportunity to invent a new logo.

It was reported that the current logo was outdated and did not reflect the community we now live in and needed redesign.

Resolved: Hold a competition and advertise it through: -

- a) Primary school;
- b) Secondary school;
- c) youth club
- d) The council's Facebook account

It was a condition of the applicants residing within the Llanrug Community Council area. A prize of a book token would be given to the winner.

669. To receive an update on the situation of St. Michael's Churchyard, Llanrug

Councillor Hefin Jones reported that a meeting had recently been held in the Churchyard to gain an overview of what would be expected in terms of the risk assessment. Among the things identified were the trees, the headstones and the condition of the paths.

Resolved: To receive and thank you for the report.

670. To adopt a tablets policy for members (copy already shared)

Resolved: Accept the policy and ensure that members sign it and return it to the clerk.

671. To consider a complaint received regarding water flowing on the Glanffynnon estate, Llanrug (Cllr Gwion Llwyd)

In the absence of the Councillor the details of a complaint were somewhat brief but it was recognized that several problems existed with drains down to Holywell Road.

Resolved: That members of the council together with Councillor Berwyn Parry Jones would contact Welsh Water to bring the problem to their attention

672. To consider a complaint received regarding water collecting on the Rhos Ddu path (Cllr Beca Brown)

It was reported that a complaint had been received about the condition of the Rhos Ddu path that some parts of it were collected by water and that it was easy to slip on.

Resolved: Report the matter to Gwynedd Council

673. To receive a report from Cllr. Berwyn Parry Jones on Gwynedd Council activities.

Housing

The new Lettings process of the old council houses has finally changed from a points system to a "banding" system. More priority for local people and people who have been waiting the longest for housing.

Education

All the schools have gone back now, to some sort of normality, but obviously things can change overnight.

The Welsh Government has decided to offer a grant to education authorities to purchase digital equipment, to enable all pupils to access digital equipment, should the Authorities then commit to updating them as necessary. The council has decided to go for the grant and then discuss with the schools if they are willing to fund this from existing school budgets.

Planning

There is a recent move to try to stop second home sales, more and more are being sold as second homes.

Speed Limit

Glad to see the County Council is considering reducing traffic speeds down to 40 from 50 leading from Cwm y Glo to Llanrug. Something I've been asking for for three years. I also want to ask for red paint on the house crossing points to Dol Afon

Snowdon Meeting

Asked today, a meeting is planned, not sure if this will be physical or through Zoom, a number of community councils have indicated that they would like to be part of the meeting. The meeting is likely to be October. For your information we expect a proposal to charge Snowdon access to the full council in October.

Recycling.

It was a question of whether the appointment system would continue or would things go back to the way it was. A consultation will be held towards the end of the month.

Abandoned cars

I have received complaints about abandoned or abandoned cars in various parts of the ward, dealing with these through the Council's Environment Department, in the hope that they will be removed soon.

674. To receive a report from a leisure and amenity committee

Councillor Cemlyn Jones reported that a sign was required in the park highlighting its rules and conditions of use of the park. It was further reported that users create their own equipment, eg wooden ramps and these are dangerous, and no-one should bring their own equipment to the park.

Resolved: The Clerk to arrange an example of rules, engage with the leisure committee and ask 'Designer Signs from Penygroes' to make and install the sign at the skate park.

675. Planning Applications - for more details on these applications, please follow this link where the application can be searched by quoting 'Application number'.

<https://amg.gwynedd.llyw.cymru/planning/index.html?fa=search>

Councillor Richard Robinson declared an interest in this item and did not take part in the discussion.

Application No: C20 / 0376/23 / AC

Application Type: Cancel / Vary Condition (s)

Proposal: Amend condition no. 2 of planning permission C20 / 0180/23 / LL to make changes to the design of the house

Applicant: Mr Owain Williams

Address: Bryn Gwyn Mawr, Llanrug, Caernarfon, Gwynedd, LL55 4RG

Ward: Cwm y Glo

Community: Llanrug

Resolved: Support the application

The meeting ended at 20:40

Signed

Chairman

Date: 20 October 2020