

**Minutes of the meeting of Llanrug Community Council held on 15 November 2022, via Zoom at 19:00.**

**Present:** Councillors Meirwen Lloyd (Chair), Avril Jones (Vice-chair), Alan Pritchard, Richard Robinson, Hefin Jones, Gwynedd Williams, Philip Roberts, Berwyn Parry Jones, Ann Lawton.

**Apologies:** Councillors Emyr Jones, Beca Brown

**Clerk:** Meirion Jones

**Members of the public:** No members of the public present

**1048. A welcome from the Chair**

A warm welcome was extended to all those present, and she thanked everyone for attending.

**1049. Apologies.**

Apologies received as noted above.

**1050. Declarations of personal interest.**

To be recorded as appropriate

**1051. Confirmation of the minutes held on 18 October 2022**

The minutes were confirmed as an accurate record and were signed by the Chair

**1052. Any comments arising from the minutes.**

Reported by Councillor Alan Pritchard, that one bench has been completed by Menter Fachwen and that the other won't be too long. These are to be placed in memory of the late Councillors Charles Jones and Brian Jones

**1053. Public Participation (if present)**

No members of the public present

**1054. To receive a report from Councillor Berwyn Parry Jones, the member for Cwm y Glo on Gwynedd Council.**

**Gwynedd Council**

**Second Homes Premium**

Consultation at present regarding the possibility of raising a Premium of up to 100% to 300%. Details on the council's website if someone would like to take part.

## **Savings and Cuts**

The process of finding savings or cuts has commenced. At present, looking for £20 million compared to the worst year when looking for £8m.

## **Rights of Way Scheme**

Consultation on the scheme at present, details are on the Council's website.

## **Climate Change Board**

The Board has met recently, these are the plans which are in the pipeline:-

Making the fleet green – buying electric cars / vans when renewing a vehicle.

Installing charging points in various locations

Placing solar panels on the rest of the council's buildings if possible.

## **Locally**

Deal with various applications for assistance by residents. There is an opportunity now for the tidying team to come to this area, it would be useful to create a list before their visit.

**Resolved:** To accept and express thanks for the report

### **1055. To receive a report from Councillor Beca Brown, the member for Llanrug on Gwynedd Council**

Gwynedd Council

Work is continuing in those schools which need to be adapted for them to be able to offer free school meals in accordance with Gwynedd and Welsh Government's schedule. The scheme has been successful with several children receiving a hot meal at lunch time. The capacity and equipment have been challenging for some schools. However, good work is being done to address those challenges.

Developments in the Immersion Service are very exciting as a virtual village Aberwla has been created in conjunction with the animation company, M-Sparc. Latecomers to Gwynedd will be given the opportunity to try their Welsh in a virtual world before venturing into the real world. The author, Anni Llŷn has created the material and its sure to make learning Welsh contemporary and attractive to children.

New digital equipment will arrive at all schools before long in a movement to alleviate the inequalities between pupils.

Local

Preparations are ongoing to re-surface part of Station Road. Residents will be required to make alternative parking plans during this period and there will be some interruption to businesses. It is hoped that it will all be as painless as possible and that the new surface will improve the condition and look of the road. I have received so many complaints about damage caused by holes in the road and repairing the road properly at last will be great.

Concerns are increasing about the traffic around the primary school especially during the school run and I have had discussions with the school, the council and the Active Transport Board.

**Resolved:** To accept and express thanks for the report

**1056. To receive a report from the Leisure Committee**

Reported by Councillor Avril Jones, Chair of the Leisure Committee that a meeting hadn't taken place. However, lots has been happening. She said that the poster for the Christmas Lights competition is ready to be placed on the council's Facebook page, and the intention this year is for the candidates to send pictures to the clerk. Instead of going around, judging each entry, a shortlist will be drawn and only those will be visited.

Reported that the Christmas tree in Llanrug is to be placed in the Primary School and there are arrangements for Gwynedd Council to put it up. The intention is to turn the lights on during the Christmas Fair at the school.

Regarding the playing fields, it was reported that the risk assessments need to be checked and look at what needs to be urgently done and report that Councillor Avril Jones and Councillor Meirwen Lloyd, had been checking the defects lists as identified in the risk assessment.

Reported that the playing field rules needs to be displayed and that the clerk will find if there are templates available that we can adapt as appropriate.

Reported that our grant application for a defibrillator has been successful and the council will not need to pay anything except for the installation. This defibrillator will be placed on the Fricsan wall, and they were thanked for readily agreeing to this.

Regarding the bench located by Cwm y Glo skating park, it was reported that a policy needs to be created to ensure that the council adheres to the principles and its policy. The clerk will contact clerk forums across the United Kingdom to ask whether any council has a template to share, in order for us to adapt as appropriate for the needs of Llanrug Community Council.

**Resolved:** To accept and express thanks for the report

**1057. To receive a report from the Cemetery Committee**

Reported by Councillor Philip Roberts, Committee chair that our grant application to elusen Dyffryn Peris for a new noticeboard for the cemetery has been successful and he thanked the charity for their generosity.

Reported that a meeting of the committee has been held on site to discuss the work that needs to be done. The following matters were discussed:-

- Location of the noticeboard – noted that the most appropriate place is by the side of the hut.
- It was agreed that new slabs were required in front of the hut
- That the painting work needed to be completed
- Complete the work on the fascia boards.
- Move the water tanks by the side of the hut.
- Work required on the wall which is on the way to the cemetery, and this requires urgent attention.
- The gate by the entrance to the hut was discussed and resolved that it had no purpose, that it was dangerous and it was decided to remove it

**Resolved:** To accept and express thanks for the report

**1058. To approve the closure of 'Llanrug Poor House' account.**

Noted that extensive discussions had been held in the past regarding the above account and the council are asked to approve its closure and for the clerk to make appropriate arrangements.

**Resolved:** To fully close the account and to consider distributing the monies in accordance with the aims and objectives of the charity when established

**1059. To receive an update on the food scheme and to approve the recommendations**

Reported by Councillor Berwyn Parry Jones, Committee chair that our grant application to extend the food scheme for a further 12 months has been successful. Due to the uncertainty about the supply of food from Fareshare, the opportunity to apply for a grant which would allow us to buy food should the supply from Fareshare lessen was taken advantage of, therefore this is good news.

Noted that we have received a refund from Farehsare for the food that they didn't provide.

That Councillor Avril Jones will discuss with the bakery whether they would be willing to supply bread

That the account on behalf of the council has opened with 'Booker Cash and Carry' and that Councillor Berwyn Parry Jones and the clerk has been there to look at what is available. A member of staff advised us on what type of items to purchase.

We are now in a position to list the numbers, and to estimate our expenditure until end of March 2023.

**Resolved:** To accept and express thanks for the report and resolved further on the following, that a letter of gratitude should be sent to all the volunteers involved with the scheme, to Cwm-y-Glo garage, and to all those volunteers who assist in various ways.

**1060. Planning Applications – for more details of the applications, follow the link below to search for the applications using 'Reference Number'.  
<https://amq.gwynedd.llyw.cymru/planning/index.html?fa=search>**

a) **Reference Number:** C22/0942/23/DT  
**Application Type:** Householder Planning  
**Proposal:** Two storey rear extension  
**Applicant:** Mr and Mrs Jamie Prebble  
**Agent:** Mr Alan Owen (A.L.I Building Design)  
**Address:** Graianfryn Ffordd Yr Orsaf, Llanrug, Caernarfon, Gwynedd, LL55 4BA  
**Grid Reference:** 254128.67, 363641.17  
**Ward:** Llanrug  
**Community:** Llanrug

**Resolved:** No objections

b) **Reference Number:** C22/0838/23/DT  
**Application Type:** Householder Planning  
**Proposal:** **Design of a 2 storey extension to replace the existing one. New vehicle access to improve safety and sight lines. Replacement of a garden shed with a new one.**  
**Applicant:** Corinne & Vito Ricciardi  
**Agent:** Mr Jonathan Huthwaite (Evergreen Architects)  
**Address:** Clawdd Cerrig, 2, The Terrace, Cwm Y Glo, Caernarfon, Gwynedd, LL55 4DF  
**Grid Reference:** 255093.06, 362708.87  
**Ward:** Cwm y Glo  
**Parish / Community:** Llanrug

**Resolved:** No objections

c) **Reference Number:** C22/1025/23/LL

**Application Type:** Full Planning

**Proposal:** Conversion of garden shed within the curtilage of an affordable dwelling to a dog grooming business,

**Applicant:** Miss Eirian Pritchard

**Address:** 4 Sŵn Yr Efail, Llanrug, Caernarfon, Gwynedd, LL55 4FG

**Grid Reference:** 253092.16, 363369.46

**Ward:** Llanrug

**Community:** Llanrug

This application has been before the council under reference number:  
C22/0520/23/DT

The application had been supported by Llanrug Community Council but it seems that Gwynedd Council has refused the application for the reasons noted.

**Resolved:** To express the community council's disappointment that the application has been refused for reasons which in the view of the council aren't a true reflection of the business. The council notes that there are similar buildings across the County which are not in accordance with the reasons for which this application was refused.

To contact Gwynedd Council to express dissatisfaction with the decision and to approve it once again.

**1061. To consider what steps the council can take to tackle parked vehicles being left at Cwm y Glo (Councillor Avril Jones)**

Reported by Councillor Avril Jones that several complaints have been received about cars being left at the parking space at the bottom of Allt Goch, Cwm y Glo and the mess that these cars leave. It affects the visibility of the area and local residents cannot park their cars there as a result.

**Resolved:** To refer the matter to Gwynedd Council's Enforcement Officers and maybe take photographs of the situation in order to send to the relevant officers.

The meeting closed at 21:15

Signed

Chair:

Date: 20 December 2022