

Minutes of the meeting of Llanrug Community Council held on Tuesday, 18 October 2022 at 19:00 via Zoom.

Present: Councillors Meirwen Lloyd (Chair), Avril Jones (Vice-chair), Philip Roberts, Berwyn Parry Jones, Alan Pritchard, Emyr Jones, Anne Lawton, Gwynedd Williams, Hefin Jones, Beca Brown

Apologies: Councillor Richard Robinson

Clerk: Meirion Jones

Members of the Public: No members of the public present

1034. A welcome from the Chair

A warm welcome was extended by the Chair to all those present, and she thanked everyone for attending. A warm welcome was extended to the new members, Councillors Gwynedd Williams, Anne Lawton and Emyr Jones, who was attending his first meeting.

1035. Apologies.

Apologies received as noted above.

1036. Declarations of personal interest.

To record as appropriate

1037. Confirmation of the minutes of the meeting held on 27 September 2022

The minutes were confirmed as correct and were signed by the chair.

1038. Any comments arising from the minutes.

Item 1026 – Complaints received about people using bins which belong to a property at Y Bwlch and to contact Gwynedd Council to ask for an additional bin there

1039. Public Participation (if present)

No members of the public present

1040. To receive a report from Councillor Berwyn Parry Jones, the member for Cwm y Glo on Gwynedd Council.

The County Council

Ardal Ni 2035

Avril, Beca and myself recently attended a meeting of Ardal Ni 2030 in Llanberis. It was a successful meeting with good representation of community organisations present. We were separated into different groups. I was in the Housing discussion group.

Decarbonisation Centre, Penygroes

A visit to the centre to see the ongoing work to convert the former Norwood building in Penygroes into a decarbonisation centre. This is a joint venture between the Social Housing Company, Adra, Travis Perkins, the furniture company, Welcome and Bangor University, to create a specialist hub to learn about new ways to decarbonise and to train the workforce on how to install new equipment.

Financial situation of the Council is very challenging.

The Chief Executive have briefed us on how serious the situation is. The Council will be able to cope with additional expenditure this year, which has been caused by inflation, by using reserve funds. However, savings must be planned for and cuts next year, and the following year.

Tidying Teams

In place by now, 5 teams altogether, 2 in Arfon, 2 in Meirionydd and one in Dwyfor.

Good feedback after a visit by the teams, Officers are planning a schedule to go to each ward. Number of visits in the year depending on the size of the wards. Hopefully by next month's meeting, this will also be in place.

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Locally

Complaints about cars being left again without a licence and MOT at the bottom of Allt Goch

Still waiting for a response from the Planning Department regarding developments at Bryn Teg, but spoken to the Enforcement Officer, he is looking into the issues and has promised to report back to me.

Resolved: To accept and express thanks for the report

1041. To receive a report from Councillor Beca Brown, the member for Llanrug on Gwynedd Council

1042. To receive a report from the Finance and Resources Committee

Reported by Councillor Avril Jones, Chair of the Committee that the committee had met on 11 October 2002, and the following was discussed: -

- The current budget, with consideration to expenditure which will be required on the playing fields and the cemetery.

- No need to purchase Christmas lights for the trees at Llanrug or Cwm y Glo, only need to arrange for them to be PAT tested.
- There is monies for the youth club in the budget
- Reported that we have received an internal audit some time ago; the external auditor has received the documents some time ago but to date nothing has been received back.
- Poor House Account, to contact the charity to enquire about closing the account
- The cemetery, playing fields and public footpaths agreement is coming to an end this year, and a meeting has been arranged for 26 October to discuss the tender for the next three years.
- Reported that the trees planted in memory of councillors Charles Jones and Brian Jones and that a bench is required around these trees with a plaque. Councillor Alan Pritchard will contact Menter Fachwen to ask for a price to do the work.
- The next meeting will be held in the new year to prepare the precept a budget for 2023 / 2024

Resolved: To accept and express thanks for the report

1043. To receive a report from the Cemetery Committee

Reported by Councillor Philip Roberts, Chair of the Cemetery Committee that he has good news for tonight's meeting.

Firstly, the council's cemetery has received a prize for the second consecutive year in the cemetery of the year competition in the category of community and parish councils cemeteries across the United Kingdom. This is a competition arranged jointly by 'ICCM - Institute of Cemetery and Crematorium Management', SLCC – Society of Local Council Clerks, MAB - Memorial Awareness Board, BRAMM - British Register of Accredited Memorial Masons.

Winning this prize is a huge credit to a small council such as Llanrug

Secondly, an additional noticeboard has been ordered for the cemetery and Elusen Dyffryn Peris has agreed to fund this via grant.

Resolved:

To receive and express thanks for the report and congratulate members of the cemetery committee for their work in winning this prize.

To express many thanks to Elusen Dyffryn Peris for their generosity and the clerk to send a letter of thanks

1044. Planning Applications – for more details of the applications, follow the link below to search for the applications using 'Reference Number'.

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

- a) **Reference Number:** C22/0884/23/LL
Application Type: Full Planning

Proposal: Change of use of agricultural land into residential curtilage
Applicant: Mr Malcolm Jones
Agent: Mr Gareth Rennie (Hafod Planning Consultants)
Address: Bryn Dwynwen, Llanrug, Caernarfon, Gwynedd, LL55 2AQ
Grid Reference: 251846.99, 363388.39
Ward: Cwm y Glo
Community: Llanrug

Resolved: To support the application

- 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
Community: Llanrug

Resolved: To support the application

1045. To approve for the council to continue with the food scheme from 1 December 2022 onwards and authorise the clerk to apply for any relevant grants

Councillor Berwyn Parry Jones reported that the current food scheme is ending on 30 November 2022. Following consultation with the clerk, there came an opportunity to apply for a grant from Cist Gwynedd and due to the lack of food from Fareshare at present, it was resolved to submit an application for the maximum food available from Fareshare, with the intention that if Fareshare cannot supply the food, then, the council can use the grant to purchase food, such as tins etc, items that can be kept.

Resolved: To receive and express thanks for the information and to authorise the Clerk to apply for grants on behalf of the council

1046. To receive a report from Councillor Hefin Jones on the latest situation regarding sewerage.

A brief report was provided on the situation for the benefit of new members. Concern was expressed that Llanrug had outgrown the current sewerage system, and concern about an article in Eco'r Wyddfa that the outpouring to the river is causing damage to the environment. A letter was sent to Welsh Water expressing concern about this.

Welsh Water responded by stating that their assets in the Llanrug area wasn't causing concern. They also outlined the measures taken by them when dealing with planning applications to safeguard the community and the environment.

It was expressed by the Council that the concerns about the outpourings to the Seiont river hadn't alleviated their concerns.

Resolved: To ask for a meeting with Welsh Water representatives at the bank of the Seiont river, by the sewerage works at Llanrug.

1047. Grant application – Llewod Llanrug

A grant application had been received from Llewod Llanrug.

Resolved: To permit the financial assistance of £750 for 2022/2023.

The council has permitted this on the basis that it receives the following information: -

Confirmation of whom uses Nant y Glyn field, and on which night and times.

(It would be useful to know when the teams will not be using the field for training as the nights draw in)

Confirmation that the trainer has completed a first aid course, that trainers have first aid equipment in training sessions and that the first aid qualification is valid.

The meeting closed at 20:15

Signed:

Chair:

Date: 15 November 2022

