

CYNGOR CYMUNED LLANWRDA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Llanwrda Community Council held at Llanwrda Village Hall on Wednesday 21st August, 2019.

Present:

Chairman: Councillor J. Shipton

Councillors: J. Thompson, B. Saunders, M. Carroll. B. Haworth

1 member of the public

1. Apologies

County Councillor A. Davies, Councillor L. James

2. Minutes of the meeting held 19th June, 2019

Minutes were accepted as correct.

3. Declaration of Interest

Councillor B. Haworth – minute 8 (2) Road to Llanwrda Station – extra lighting

Councillor M. Carroll – Cornwallis

4. Matters arising from the minutes:

9 (a) Playing Field

The signs had not been collected as no cheque had been signed for payment. Councillor M. Carroll agreed to inspect the equipment. The Clerk to contact Cornwallis regarding permission to purchase of a new litter bin for the play area.

8 (1) Road to Llanwrda Station – Moss on Road

The moss on the road was on going. The pavement to the station was elevated with loose stones causing a problem which was a danger, the Clerk to contact Carmarthenshire County Council.

8 (2) Road to Llanwrda Station – extra lighting

The SWTRA engineer had been away on holidays and it had not been possible to arrange a site meeting.

6 (b) Web Site

Nothing to report. Llanwrda Bloomers had sent photographs and this was in the process of being placed on the web site.

9 (1) Food bank

Councillor M. Carroll gave an updated report, and if anyone wished to make a donation to contact Maria. A meeting was being held on 8th September, 2019 with members responsible for the Food Bank at Ammanford.

9 (2) Community Grants

Councillor M. Carroll to forward draft to the Clerk.

5. Reports

5.1 (b) Report from County Councillor

Absent from the meeting.

5.2 (b) Report from Cornwallis Liaison

The playing field was discussed and the work was being carried out by volunteers. Public Liability for the work being carried out was mentioned. A feasibility study was ongoing with an opportunity to apply for grant funding.

A meeting had been arranged for July, although the Cornwallis Chair had been misinformed as to the cancellation of the meeting it did in fact take place on the 16th July in the old school Hall. Councillors M. Carroll, J. Shipton, B. Haworth attended. There was no agenda but a general discussion as to the role of the Community Council in regard to the maintenance of the playing field, etc. It was pointed out that the council was obliged to get three different quotes and could not just accept the Cornwallis estimate of money required. Cornwallis agreed to submit a formal funding application.

Following advice received from One Voice Wales the Cornwallis Trustees would need to apply to Carmarthenshire County Councils Standards Committee for dispensation when discussing funding for Cornwallis. Trustees at all times work in the interests of the Charity. They enclosed a copy of the legal topic note on Basic Charity Law which explains the point in more depth.

5.3 (b) Report from Police Liaison

A number of quad bikes had been stolen, but many had now been found.

6. Correspondence

- (a) Carmarthenshire Tourism Association – Community Council had been invited to join the Association at a cost of £65.00.
 - (b) One Voice Wales Bulletin
 - (c) Dyfed Powys Panel Crime Report
 - (d) Carmarthenshire County Council – copy of Code of Conduct presentation
 - (e) Old People's Commissioners report
 - (f) The Carmarthenshire Final Recommendations – Electoral arrangements
 - (g) National Strategy for Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management
 - (h) Carmarthenshire County Council – Recruitment of Polling Station Staff
 - (i) Carmarthenshire County Council – Casual by-elections Request for an election forms.
 - (j) Clerks and Councils Direct Magazine
 - (k) Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales report.
 - (l) Developing Trauma Services meetings
 - (m) Carmarthenshire County Council - Street lighting (information was sent by post and agreed)
 - (n) Funding information session – Jonathan Edwards MP
- (l, m and n – information sent during the month of July)

7. Payments

Llandoverly Hospital - £50.00 (Chairman's Allowance)
Zurich Insurance - £1,283.36
Relm Signs Llandeilo – signs for Play Area

Donations

A letter had been received on behalf of St Cwrdaf Church requesting a donation towards the maintenance of the Parish Churchyard, which involves making safe Headstones – this is over and above the annual cost of £1,500.00. Major tree maintenance is also required. The Clerk to write and ask for a copy of the Balance Sheet.

A letter had been received from Tony Birdwood regarding a Community Speedwatch group for Llanwrda. Following the success of such a group in the Newbridge on Wye area, with the occasional Safety Camera van in their area to reinforce their efforts. When this was discussed at a previous meeting it was agreed that the Community Council support this venture. It was therefore agreed to place information on the Web Site, Notice Board, Village Store, etc. to enquire if volunteers could be found for a Community Speedwatch group in Llanwrda.

Capel Dewi, the Clerk to enquire for an update.

(a) Signing of quarterly income and expenditure reports/bank statements

Copies were distributed and would be signed at the end of the meeting.

(b) Budget 2019/2020

This to be discussed at the November meeting.

8. Public Question Time

Nothing to discuss.

9. Urgent Business

9 (3) Llanwrda Re-cycling area

Complaints were continued to be made regarding Commercial Vehicles dumping their recycling items as the Llanwrda re-cycling area. A suggestion was made to possibly lock the gate at a certain time and ensure it was not open until maybe 9.00 a.m. Commercial vehicles would therefore be unable to enter the recycling site. Counc. B. Haworth volunteered to open and shut main gate to hall car park. The Clerk to report the issue to Carmarthenshire County Council.

10. Date of next meeting

The next meeting to be held on Wednesday 18th September, 2019.