

**Minutes of a Remote Meeting of the Cyngor Cymuned Llandrinio & Arddleen  
Community Council held on Thursday 21st October 2021 using the 'zoom' platform**  
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**Present:** Cllrs A E Wigley (Chairman), Mrs P M Jones, Mrs S M Townsend,  
H V Jones, Mrs L M Roberts and one member of the public.

**Apologies:-** 379/2021 Cllrs A A White, Mrs L O'Connor , Mrs N Watkins, G A Upson,  
B C Foulkes & T N Davies

**Minutes of meeting** held on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2021 were circulated and approved with the amendment on ref: 316/2021 that the total of the tools bought for volunteers was £142.00 380/2021.

**Matters arising from meeting of 16<sup>th</sup> September 2021**

381/2021 (317/2021) Minutes of Site Meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> Sept with NRW re: Hydraulic Study of Guilsfield Brook/Wern were circulated. Clerk had approached a firm to give an estimate on how much it would cost to do a Drone Survey during a flooding event.- reminder to be given for a price. Cllr Primrose said that NRW had called to view the Belle brook and the Bridge under the A483 – cleaning of the brook will be added to their maintenance but they were concerned that the Bridge was not built as per the plans submitted.

382/2021 (318/2021) Zoom meeting held with DC Gareth Jordan Cyber Protection officer for Dyfed-Powys Police – very interesting presentation and a leaflet produced highlighting key areas had been circulated to Councillors.

383/2021 (319/2021) It was agreed that the St John's Ambulance First Aid Training would be best delivered face to face and to wait until the Spring when the numbers with Covid may have reduced.

384/2021 (322/2021) Clerk written to the Chairman of Llandrinio Village Hall Committee to recommend that Land Registry Documents in relation to the Playing Field are updated to reflect the current Trustees.

385/2021 (323/2021) Internal Drainage Board had met with representatives from Hafren Dyfrdwy re:cleaning of Sarn Wen Ditch adj Housing development at Kings Acre.

Still waiting for the Water Company to come up with a solution to protect the pipes – it was agreed that it was important to maintain pressure to ensure that a solution is found as the drainage of the ditch is key to a wide area and that these should be put in writing to NRW. It was also noted that the storage of the large mound of soil adjacent to the Brook has now been moved.

386/2021(324/2021) Prices obtained for a picnic bench made from recycled materials for Llandrinio Shop & Post Office – it was agreed that the circular easy access Bench would be best. Cllr Lucy offered to explain to Mrs Jean Lewis what has been chosen and to find out if they are happy to fix the seat once it is ordered.

387/2021 (350/2021) Update on improving the Community Council Website – as Councillors Nicola and Gavin were absent it was agreed to defer to the next meeting.

388/2021 (351/2021) Powys County Council have launched their Welsh Education Strategic Plan which includes reference to a possible Welsh Medium School on the North Powys border. Cllrs felt that there was a very low percentage of the population who spoke Welsh and to try and impose the Welsh language on our border area could result in many parents

taking their children to schools in Shropshire. It was agreed to voice these concerns as a Community Council.

389/2021 (377/2021) Reminder to Councillor's to complete their Declaration of Interest and return to the Clerk or confirm no changes

390/2021 (378/2021) Planting of daffodil bulbs in memory of Mrs Merionwen Weston would be discussed at the next meeting.

### **Update from County Cllr Mrs Lucy Roberts**

400/2021 Volunteering on Footpaths update – response had been received from Sian Barnes, Professional Lead on Countryside Access and Recreation to say that there was simply not enough resources in money or staff to support the large rural footpath network. New Funding is currently being obtained to improve links to the Montgomery Canal. Councillors felt it was important that the work already started was allowed to be completed and that the volunteers are allowed to restart. Also felt it was important that landowners are reminded of their responsibility to maintain any Public Footpaths on their property.

401/2021 Cllr Lucy had met with a representative from Canal & River Trust who had confirmed that they have sourced funding to be able to improve the towpath between Maerdy bridge and Arddleen – this will involve cutting the hedge which is at the moment impeding walkers.

402/2021 Complaints had been received of H.G.V's delivering sludge down Hendre Lane – some damage to the verges

403/2021 Confirmation received that NRW have agreed to fund the repairs to Rodney's Pillar

404/2021 Cllr Lucy also confirmed that the Severn Water Partnership are no longer looking at building dams but instead hope to slow the water by other means.

405/2021 Russell George & Cllr Lucy had attended a meeting held at The Sychpwl with NRW who had confirmed that the existing pumps were adequate. Cllr Hubert felt that this needs to be kept under review as the pumps may need renewing.

406/2021 Cllr Lucy had attended several meetings of the Community Health Council where concern is being raised at the shortage of care workers – this is resulting in no care provision to enable patients to be discharged from Hospital. Members of the Public stressed that some parts of the NHS are delivering excellent care .

### **Correspondence:-**

407/2021 Information via One Voice Wales that some authorities are giving Grants towards the purchase of Wi-fi in Community Halls – some local Community Council's have also written to Minister for Finance and Local Government asking for funding

408/2021 Draft Annual report for 2022/23 received from the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales setting out allowances offered to Councillors to cover care costs etc when attending meetings.

409/2021 details received of the result of the Survey on the provision of NHS Dental care in Wales

410/2021 Details received of how to get involved with the Welsh Youth Parliament

411/2021 Email received from Calon Heart Defibrillator Wales – they have a small pot of money to help with replacement batteries and pads

412/2021 Updated guide received of taking part in the celebrations for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Beacons on 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2022 – discussion on possible celebration ideas for next meeting.

413/2021 Consultation by the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales on proposed changes to their Good Administrative practice guide

414/2021 Email from Sustain Wales introducing their new Eco Literacy course- Nature Wise – 150 free online training places for community and voluntary groups looking to protect or restore the natural environment

425/2021 Consultation on the income thresholds for Attachment of earnings Order

426/2021 Acknowledgement received from EDF Renewables to concerns raised re: transportation of components for the Garn Fach Wind Farm

427/2021 details of Training Courses organized by One Voice Wales – Clerk applied for Information management on the 26<sup>th</sup> Oct – cost £30. Clerk also explained that they are also encouraging Training for Councillors.

428/2021 Donation request from Four Crosses Evergreen Club – proposed by Cllr Mrs P M Jones and seconded by Cllr Mrs L M Roberts that a Grant of £100 be given.

429/2021 Donation request Tenovus Cancer Care - noted

430/2021 Donation request from Citizen Advice Bureau – it was proposed by Cllr Mrs S M Townsend and seconded by Cllr Mrs P M Jones that a Grant of £100 be given.

431/2021 details received from Welsh Assembly of a smartsurvey for councilors which can be accessed at <https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/Councillor-Remuneration-2021>

432/2021 TAN15 received from Welsh government re; Development, flooding and Coastal Erosion.

433/2021 Email received from Powys Pride wishing to be informed of any Community Events –noted

434/2021 Amended Resolution Protocol received from One Voice Wales – would be circulated and considered for adoption at the next meeting.

435/2021 Consultation received on Powys County Council Active Travel Plan which is focusing on key Towns – noted.

436/2021 Letter from Arddleen C P School asking for contribution of £1032 being 50% cost towards maintenance of Playing Field. This was agreed as this was included in the Budget.

### **Planning:-**

437/2021 Confirmation received that the Plannign Appeal re: Penrhos Farm has been withdrawn by the applicant.

438/2021 Consultation reply from NRW to 21/0186/FUL change of use at Unity House explains that they have objections.

439/2021 Concern forwarded to Highways Dept re; new entrances to Prestbury House as part of application 21/0456/REM

440/2021 Planning application 21/1505/FUL change of use at Peartree Farm has been withdrawn

441/2021 Discussion took place on Play & Open Space provision in Arddleen – it was noted that this is only compulsory for development with 10 or more houses and the only development which fits into this is that opposite the School for which they have argued that the provision of the car Park is Open Space. It was agreed that there is a lack of provision particularly for pre-school age and that this should be noted and incorporated into the next Unitary development Plan.

442/2021 Planning permission requested for 21/1594/HH – installation of an air source heat pump (ASHP) and associated pipework to the rear of the domestic property to supply heating and hot water and removal of oil tank and boiler at 7 Llwyn Perthi for Mr A Wilson – concerns were raised over the possible noise coming from the pump which will be conveyed to the Planning Dept.

443/2021 Planning permission also requested for 21/1686/HH proposed rear extension of property to gain master bedroom and sunroom at Myrtle Cottage, Llandrinio for Mr

Lounghurst.- site meeting arranged for Monday 25<sup>th</sup> October at 9 a.m  
444/2021 Minutes of Planning Committees held on Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept and Fri 8<sup>th</sup> October 2021 had been circulated. It was noted that planning permission has now been granted to 21/1665/HH.

445/2021 It was noted that Planning permission has been given to 21/1438/DIS – discharge of conditions at development at Burgedin Fields.

446/2021 Complaints had been received over a lot of soil and stone being moved at the Vines Arddleen – passed onto the Planning Dept who will investigate.

### **Financial Matters:-**

447/2021 Bank balance as at 21<sup>st</sup> October 2021:-

Current Account       £       6.21

Deposit Account       £ 24733.08

Bank statements had been sent to Chairman who verified these were correct.

448/2021 Clerk has looked at other Bank Accounts available – other banks have limited signatories ie 4. It was agreed to remain with HSBC for now & to review in another 12 months.

449/2021 Budget at 21<sup>st</sup> October 2021 was discussed and agreed.

450/2021 Permission granted to pay:-

i) Four Crosses Evergreen Club £100 under L.G.A 1972 s137

ii) Citizen Advice Bureau £100 under L.G.A 1972 s137

iii) Arddleen C P School £1032.00 under s19 (3) L.G (misc purposes) Act 1976

### **Complaints:-**

451/2021 Update on Maerdy Bridge junction – improved road signage promised in Oct/Nov

452/2021 Email sent to Go-Safe reminding them of their promise for traffic monitoring at the bottom of the Pool Quay straight – these have now been put down.

453/2021 Complaint received that although passageway at Arddleen has been stoned the bottom half still looks untidy – estimate received for £110.00 to remove the weeds and soil and stone. It was agreed to go ahead with this work.

454/2021 Photograph of obscured weight amenity sign by Crabtree Corner has been sent to Highways Dept

455/2021 Highways Dept asked to repaint ‘SLOW’ or 30mph at the top of Rhos Common – Highways have replied that this is not necessary and that this was only painted before the 30mph speed limit was introduced.

456/2021 Complaint received from resident at Arddleen that the Badgers Field Housing Dev at land adj Windy Ridge is already pooling in wet conditions as the levels don’t seem right – Clerk to pass on to Derek Price at Powys County Council.

457/2021 Clerk emailed North & Mid Wales Trunk Road Agency re; waste of public resources to plant the wildflower seeds adj the A483 – reply received that they would welcome comments from the community and suggestions of planting sites. Clerk to ask why they use non-native species.

458/2021 Clerk will remind Powys County Council re; the request made last Year for signage down Hendre Lane and Haughton to warn motorists not to attempt to go through the flood water. Cllr Lucy had already spoken to highways Dept and they did offer the use of a temporary flood sign – she will ask if we would be allowed to store it locally and use it appropriately.

459/2021 Continuing problems with H.G.V’s getting stuck on the bends down Gwernowddy Lane – Highways Dept have now confirmed that they will be willing to add a ‘Not suitable

for H.G.V's 'sign at the end of the Lane.

460/2021 Clerk will report potholes between Haughton farm and the junction of Idyll Lane – these are repeat offenders!

461/2021 Complaints have been received of dog fouling on the pavement from Llandrinio hall to the Church

**Chairman's Remarks & invitation to any members of the public to speak**

462/2021 Member of the Public explained that the Village Hall Committee have asked Powys County Council to remove the re-cycling skips unless they can guarantee that they will be emptied regularly.

463/2021 He also asked if any correspondence to the Llandrinio Hall Committee could be directed via himself, as he is the representative for the Community Council. Clerk explained that some matters deal to be dealt directly with the Chairman but that he will be copied in to any correspondence going forward.

464/2021 Date of next Criggion Quarry Liaison Meeting is Fri 12<sup>th</sup> Nov – Clerk emailed to ask if this will be in person or via zoom

Meeting closed 9.17 p.m

**Next Meeting; Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2021**