

**Minutes of Monthly Meeting of Llangunnor Community Council held Remotely at  
6.30pm on Thursday 15th July.**

**2021.**

**PRESENT: Cllrs. Elwyn Williams (Chair), G Bevan, P Totterdale, S Thomas, P Price,  
Charlie Evans**

**1.APOLOGIES Cllr J Slate, H Lewis.**

**Two electors present, in addition Howard Davies Clerk**

**2. Declaration of Interest – None**

**3. Chair’s Announcements.** Cllr Williams took the opportunity of welcoming our newly co-opted member Charlie Evans to his first Council meeting and congratulated him upon his appointment.

**4. Members of the Public Present – 12 minutes for questions –**

Lee Whatley asked five questions:

1.Should action be taken by the Council without the action being authorised by the Council in the form of a minute?

Chair responded that all actions be confirmed by minute.

2. Is Llangunnor Community Council open and transparent?

Chair responded that it was his belief that the Council always tries to operate in an open and transparent way.

3.Does the Council do all that it can do to encourage members to attend meetings?

Chair responded positively saying that all meetings are publicised both on our notice boards and via our web page, and Councillors are encouraged to encourage residents that during these times of restriction due to the Covid pandemic they can request via the clerk a link to attend our virtual meetings via Zoom. He therefore felt that we are presently doing all we can to encourage and promote this.

4. Has anyone requested to view a meeting or various committees and not been sent a link to attend? If so for what reason?

Clerk advised that one person had been declined a link to join a meeting as he did not provide his address, and when requested to do so in line with Council policy no address was forthcoming. All other requests have been actioned.

5. Is the Council aware of any complaints made to the Community Council, its staff, or Councillors? Include any ongoing complaints since 1<sup>st</sup> March 2021, which you may not be able to go into detail about.?

Chair and Clerk both advised none.

There were no further questions.

**5. Minutes of meetings – i)** it was unanimously agreed and **RESOLVED** to approve as a correct record the minutes of the monthly Council meeting held on the 17<sup>th</sup> of June 2021 (**minute 0721 – 5**)

#### **6. Committees:**

**Finance committee –** Next meeting scheduled for 22 July.

**Park & Environment –** A meeting of the Park and Environment Committee had taken place on the 12<sup>th</sup> July the minutes of which will be circulated and uploaded to our web page

**Web & Media –** Meeting scheduled for 28<sup>th</sup> July.

**Christmas –** No meeting had taken place.

**7. Due to the unavoidable absence of Cllr J Slate the Clerk updated the Council in respect of the output of the recent meeting of the Parks and Environment Committee meeting where the following key points were discussed:**

- i)** Work to erect the new fence at the entrance has commenced this week.
- ii)** Sticle Path Cllr Bevan is working on a plan to move forward the proposals received.
- iii)** Park signage to be updated.
- iv)** Covid Stone – To be placed back on the agenda for the next full Council's meeting, to discuss valuable feedback from the residents who live nearby.,
- v)** Proposed siting of Christmas tree at entrance to park. Availability of power connection and cost being evaluated.
- vi)** Provision of CCTV cameras at park to improve security. Proposal again being investigated, where costs and availability of any grants being investigated, prior to further discussion.
- vii)** How best to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee was again discussed and various suggestions made. It was decided that we need to engage with our community to seek out resident's views and suggestions, and this will be undertaken via our soon to be launched Facebook page. The output of this exercise will allow a further meaningful discussion to take place.
- viii)** Provision of temporary toilets at the park over the school holidays. The Committee continue to strive to deliver such, but this it is proving to be extremely challenging given the

need to comply with Covid cleaning and sanitising requirements, allied to the fact that portable toilets are in short supply.

ix) The Police are dealing with incidents of anti-social behaviour and vandalism in the park, via increased targeted patrols.

**8. The Chairs proposal to appoint Cllr Charlie Evans to serve as the Council representative for One Voice Wales was unanimously agreed. (Minute 0721 – 8)**

**9. Due to the absence of Cllr Dafydd Williams it was agreed to seek a further update from him in respect of the memorial plaque for Alun West’s seat, at our September meeting.**

**10. County Councillor Report** – Cllr Williams only had one item to advise. Due to a recent review of Electoral boundaries, certain county, and community boundaries will change as from next May’s elections. There is no change planned for us at Llangunor. As part of this review, it has been mooted that a Councillor will not be able to stand and serve on both Community and County Councils as it at present. Further details awaited as no firm decision taken as yet.

**11. Members representing Council on other bodies** – No reports received.

**12. To approve the schedule of accounts July 2021 – unanimously approved. ( Minute 0721 – 11)**

<b>Payee</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount £</b>
1, Emrys Williams	Works at Park – £97 Repairs to Park Fence – back entrance – £49.00 Strimming/Blower Sticle path - £132	£278
Zurich Municipal Insurance	Council’s Insurance policy additional renewal premium as incorrect invoice paid. £556.36 already paid at renewal plus £291.76 – Total £848.12. £832.98 paid last Yr.	£291.76
Howard Davies	Clerical Duties - £596.11 Allowances - £140 Zoom Monthly Payment £14.39 Castell Howell Sanitizers x 2	£810.70

	-£48.50 plus VAT £9.70- £58.20. Laminate Dog Glove sign – Proprint. £2	
Bowen & Weaving	Stationery	£27.00
JRB Enterprises Ltd	Dog Gloves	£39.90
<b>Income</b>		0.00

### 13. Schedule of Correspondence Received for monthly meeting 15/07/21.

No	Nature of Correspondence	Agreed Action
1.	BT Consultation update re removal of phone boxes	<b>Circulated.</b>
2.	Programme for Government	<b>Circulated.</b>
3.	One Voice Wales – Power to Trade consultation	<b>Circulated.</b>
4.	Hate crime and Mate crime training dates.	<b>Circulated</b>
5.	CCC – Housing & Regeneration Consultation	<b>Circulated</b>
6.	CCC – Waste collection strategy.	<b>Circulated</b>
7.	CCC – Meeting of Town & Community Councils Forum 2 July.	<b>Circulated</b>
8.	Community Play Seminar – 28 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Circulated</b>
9.	1VW Introduction from Places for Nature Officer and seeking a meeting	<b>Circulated</b>
10.	Support Menter Gorllewin Sir Gar	<b>Circulated</b>
11.	Local Places for Nature	<b>Circulated</b>
12.	Response from Ian Thomas CCC re grass cutting schedules and trees on embankment at Llangunor Rd	<b>Circulated</b>
13.	Older People’s Commissioner Report	<b>Circulated</b>
14.	Eligible Community Councils-Qualification of Clerks- Consultation period.	<b>Circulated</b>

15.	Welsh Government Climate change newsletter.	<b>Circulated</b>
16.	Hywel Dda CHC Newsletter	<b>Circulated</b>
17.	Conduct training for Town and Community Councils being arranged by Carms CC	<b>Circulated</b>
18.	Carmarthen Electoral Reviews	<b>Circulated</b>
19.	LDP Plan update	<b>Circulated</b>
20.	Carmarthenshire Electoral final report	<b>Circulated</b>
21.	Cyber/Child exploitation	<b>Circulated</b>
22.	Operation London Bridge	<b>Circulated</b>
23.	£100 Grant request from Carmarthen Symphonic Wind Band	<b>Circulated</b>
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#### **14. Local issues brought up by Councillors:**

Cllr Sandra Thomas wished to report the following:

The paintwork on the new safety gate at the entrance had scratches/chips and required touching up.

The new safety gate opening was over unmade up ground, and as such would become muddy during periods of wet weather.

#### **Action point : Clerk to take up both observations with supplier- Wicksted**

The safety gate at the toddler's area was not closing properly, where a rubber gromet was missing, and there were signs of rust, and fading paintwork.

**Action point :** Clerk to contact original supplier – Sunshine Playgrounds – Neath.

**15. Any other business.** Request from Carmarthen Symphonic Wind Band for a grant of £100 to help with running costs was deferred until September's meeting.

**16.** The Council unanimously resolved (**minute 0721 – 16**) to grant the clerk delegated powers until the next monthly meeting in September, where necessary the Clerk will consult with the Chair on any important matters”

**17. Next monthly meeting to be held (remotely) on Thursday September 16th, 2021, at 6.30pm.**

**Meeting closed 7.30 pm.**

**Signed:**

**Date:**