

LLAWHADEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL
INCORPARATING LLAWHADEN, ROBESTON WATHEN, GELLI & BETHESDA

Minutes for the Community Council meeting held on Thursday 12th May 2022 at 20:00hrs at Llawhaden YFC & Community Hall.

Present: Hugh Watchman (Chair) Victoria Rabia Mcandrew Tracy Watkin
Samantha Philipps-Harries (Clerk)

1. Chairman's Remarks

The chair thanked everyone for entrusting him with the role for another year.

2. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Samantha Hebblethwaite, Tim Simons, Catherine Hancock and Di Clements (County Councillor).

3. Declaration of Members Interests

There was no declaration of members interests.

4. Confirmation of Minutes of the Last Meeting – 7th April 2022.

The minutes of the meeting held on 7th April were confirmed as a true record. Proposed by Tracy and seconded by Victoria.

5. Matters Arising There From

- a. Highways Projects: The Gelli project was still to be actioned.
- b. Broadband Project: Broadway Partners are carrying out survey work before starting on the infrastructure. Residents are being encouraged to apply for the vouchers to access the funding for Fibre Broadband.
- c. Playing Field, Llawhaden: The application for the South Hook LNG grant was ready to be submitted, and Tracy would action this. Following a visit by a National Parks representative to the playing field in April, it was agreed that fruit trees would be delivered in the autumn to be planted. Victoria agreed to enquire if there were local contractors available to cut the grass on regular basis, and that we consider a compost area to dispose of the grass if necessary. It was hoped that Tim would be able to speak to the farmer who normally takes the grass away to find out if this was something he wanted to continue. Tracy agreed to contact a contractor to cut the trees at the entrance to the field due to the ash die back.
- d. Grit Bins: ordered through Pembrokeshire County Council (PCC) for Llawhaden (SA67 8HL) and Gelli (SA66 7HR) at a cost of £120 + vat each – Samantha (Clerk) will contact PCC for an update.
- e. Luncheon Club: once a menu and a date had been established then flyers would be distributed.
- f. Cwm Farm planning update: Di updated the meeting via email – “PCC have requested an extension from the Coles re determining their application. They cited the election and the fact it must go to committee. However, there should be discussed at the next PCC committee.” It was hoped that Di would also encourage the PCC Highways department to revisit the site.
- g. Castlevue Llawhaden: no update at present.
- h. There had been no further correspondence from Land Registry in relation to the registering of highway and verges, however it was felt it may be some time before there was an update.
- i. Queen's Jubilee Celebration – Coffee and a Chat Sunday 6th June 2022 from 14:00 at Llawhaden YFC and Community Hall: Victoria agreed to organise the event, and the clerk agreed to purchase tea, coffee, and sugar.
- j. Spring 2022 Newsletter – Invoice for £90.00 for 300 copies. It was agreed to pay the invoice of £90.00 proposed by Tracy and seconded by Victoria.
- k. Craft Session – 28th May 2022 – 14:00 hrs to 16:00 hrs. All in Victoria's capable hands.
- l. Defibrillator checks and replacement pads: the clerk will purchase these. All the defibrillators in the area had been checked and are in good working order.

Signed: Hugh Watchman
Chair of Llawhaden Community Council

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6. Finance

- a. Estimated NatWest Bank Account balances as at 12th May 2022:

Current Account Opening Balance: £3254.59 Savings Account: £1438.45

+Precept £2500.00

Sub Total £5804.59

Less Unpresented Cheques

000907 £500.00

000908 £125.00

000909 £50.00

000910 £15.00

£740.00

Estimated Closing Balance 12/05/22 £5064.59

- b. BHIB Councils Insurance Renewal - £182.90: it was agreed to pay this invoice. Proposed by Tracy and seconded by Victoria.

7. Correspondence

- a. Keep Wales Tidy - Local Places for Nature – 2022 Applications – noted.
- b. Pembrokeshire County Council (PCC): Landscape Architect Services – noted.
- c. One Voice Wales (OVW): Introducing the National CPR & Defibrillation Manger – noted.

8. Planning

- a. Coed Tannerdy, Drim Woods, Llawhaden: New Road – additional details for consideration following determination of 21/0741/AG (21/1168/AG) – unconditionally approved.

9. Points of interest raised by the County Councillor via email.

- Re: election. No overall majority for a political party. It looks like a similar political make up as before. Lots of independents again!
- Well done to Victoria for standing and doing well. A real boost for women! Increased women representation to 13, was 7 before so progress. A number of younger councillors too which is great – i.e. under 40.
- We are now returning to County Hall for meetings although we will have the option of attending remotely – i.e. hybrid.
- My husband and I walked our annual spring walk starting at Llawhaden Bridge a couple of weeks ago - had our picnic lunch on the new bench down by Gelli bridge - wonderful!
- Broadband - Broadway are carrying out survey work before starting the infrastructure build. Progress but still very slow.

10. Any Other Business

- a. Llawhaden Green: maintenance: Mr & Mrs Twose are happy to continue maintaining the green.
- b. PCC Community Happy to Chat Bench - our application has been successful, and PCC would deliver the bench in due course.
- c. PCC: Co-opting Community Councillors due to insufficient candidates at election – noted.
- d. Litter Picking Kits: litter was becoming an issue throughout the ward, and it was agreed to purchase litter picking kits from Keep Wales Tidy, to encourage people walking in the area to “do their bit” whilst out and about. It was agreed to purchase one set at a cost of £300. Proposed by Victoria and seconded by Tracy, Hugh agreed to place the order.

11. Next Meeting

Due to the Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday taking place on Thursday 2nd June 2022, the monthly meeting will be held on Thursday 9th June 2022 at 20:00hrs, at Llawhaden YFC & Community Hall.

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 21:40hrs.

Signed: *Hugh Watchman*

Chair of Llawhaden Community Council

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