

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

Minutes for the Community Council meeting on Thursday 13th October 2022 at 20:00hrs at Llawhaden YFC & Community Hall.

Present:

Hugh Watchman (Chair)

Tracy Watkins

Samantha Hebblethwaite

Victoria Rabia McAndrew

Catherine Hancock

Tim Simons

Samantha Philipps-Harries (Clerk)

1. Chairman's Remarks

2. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Di Clements (County Councillor).

3. Declaration of Members Interests

There were no declarations of member's interest.

4. Confirmation of Minutes of the Last Meeting – 1st September 2022.

Minutes of the meeting held on the 1st September were confirmed as a true record. Proposed by Tim and seconded by Catherine.

5. Matters Arising There From

- a. Highways Projects: Updates – Gelli - Samantha H advised the meeting that she believed slow had been painted onto the road and new signage in the area had been erected.
Robeston Wathen – Catherine had met with Mr John Williams from Go Safe Wales, and he had advised that all the problem areas should be recorded on a map and forwarded to him. He will then attend a community council meeting provide resolutions for the speeding / traffic issues.
- b. Broadband Project Update – no update at present.
- c. Playing Field, Llawhaden – Samantha H, Tracy and Yvonne (resident) had met earlier in the week on the 11th October with a representative from Feeding Our Communities Organisation. They were happy with Tracy's drawn plan, and subsequently offered a grant of £1000, to fund the ongoing project. Keep Wales Tidy currently have a development grant for fruit trees etc. Samantha H agreed to apply for the grant. I Dig Trees also have grants available for trees and shrubs – Samantha H agreed to apply for the grant. Tracy has asked a tree surgeon to advise on a tree that may need to be cut down in the field. Hugh thanked all involved in the ongoing work for the field and congratulated them on successfully applying for the Feeding Our Communities grant.
- d. Luncheon Club update: The first luncheon club was held on 22nd September 2022. Tim, Hugh, and Victoria attended with 5 residents. Feedback received was the food was delicious however they would have preferred to order from the main menu, and they would like to sit together. Since the first luncheon club other residents have now come forward expressing an interest in attending the next event. The Annual Christmas Lunch had been booked with The Bush Inn for Saturday 10th December 2022, and this year only the meal would be paid for. The details of the lunch etc. would be advertised in the Autumn 2022 newsletter.
- e. Children's Christmas Party 17th December 2022 – the hall had been booked from 12:00 hrs until 17:00 hrs to allow for time to set up and clear away. Victoria was happy to arrange this with party games, craft, and food – but would appreciate help on the day. Again, this would be advertised in the Autumn Newsletter with attendees booking a space in advance.
- f. Llawhaden Planning/Right of Way issues: no update at present.
- g. Defibrillator update: the new polycarbonate defibrillator cabinets had been installed in Llawhaden and Robeston Wathen, and the 2 sets of replacement pads have now been received. They would be

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Chair of Llawhaden Community Council

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installed in Llawhaden after the meeting and Tim agreed to install the Robeston Wathen pads the following day. Hugh agreed to try the expired pads in the Bethesda defibrillator to ensure the correct pads were purchased, if they were the right fit then he would order another set. Until the new pads were received the Bethesda defibrillator had been noted as not available the Circuit register. It was agreed that checks would be regularly recorded in the minutes, of all 4 defibrillators in the area.

- h. CPR training at Llawhaden Hall re-arranged for 23rd January 2023, confirmation of the hall's availability for the new date was awaited.

6. Finance

- a. Estimated NatWest Bank Account balances as of 13th October 2022:

<u>Current Account</u>		<u>Savings Account</u>	£1439.05
Opening Balance	£4913.23		
No monies received			
Total cheques presented	£ 325.63		
Closing Balance	£4587.60		
Current A/C Statement			
30/09/2022	£4633.10 (£396 earmarked monies raised at Fun Day for Playing Field)		
Diff	£ 45.50 Unpresented Cheques -_000892	£25.00	
		000914	£20.50

- b. R George Electrical invoice for replacing defibrillator heated cabinets in Llawhaden and Robeston Wathen - £75.00. It was agreed to pay by Tim and Victoria.
- c. Budget to Actual Spend Comparison 2022/23:

COMPARISON OF BUDGET 2020/2021 TO YEAR-TO-DATE ACTUAL SPEND

<u>as at 13/10/2022</u>		ACTUAL	
	BUDGET	RECEIPTS	DIFF
		/	
		SPEND	
<u>INCOME</u>			
Precept	£7,500	£5,000	£2,500
Other Income	£0	£1	-£1
<u>TOTAL</u>	£7,500	£5,001	£2,499
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>			+ / -
Clerk's Salary	£2,500	£1,875	£625
Clerk's Expenses (Estimated)	£90	£0	£90
BDO Audit Fees (Estimated)	£300	£0	£300
Internal Audit Fees	£130	£125	£5
Insurance	£200	£183	£17
YFC Hall Rent	£300	£0	£300
One Voice Wales Membership (SUBS)	£150	£0	£150
Donations	£300	£50	£250
Printing Costs (for Newsletter etc.)	£300	£277	£24
Christmas Events (Lunch & Panto Transport)	£1,000	£0	£1,000
Misc. Including Green Llawhaden/Defibrillators/Highways Projects	£2,230	£2,021	£209
<u>TOTAL</u>	£7,500	£4,530	£2,970

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- d. Clerks request for wages and expenses July to September 2022. Wages = £500.00. HMRC = £125.00. Newsletter Printing Summer & Fun Day Programme = £112.50. It was agreed to pay. Proposed by Catherine and seconded by Victoria.

7. Correspondence

- a. Pembrokeshire County Council (PCC): Notice of motion relating to pets as prizes – tabled.
- b. One Voice Wales (OVW): Guidance of preparing a council's training plan including a model template – noted.
- c. Amey Consulting: A40 Canaston Bridge Roundabout and Robeston Wathen – 20mph National default (20mph & 30mph) – noted.

8. Planning

- a. Cwm Farm, Llawhaden SA67 8HP: Agricultural Building, hardstanding, and access track (Retrospective) – re-consultation due to additional information (21/0857/PA) – this consultation has again been discussed by the PCC planning committee and their decision was to reject the application.
- b. Holgan Farm, Llawhaden: Discharge of condition 4 (external lighting) & 6 (surface water disposal) of planning permission 19/0451/PA (Two self-catering holiday lodges) (22/433/DC) – no known objections.
- c. Vaynor Farm, Bethesda: Erection of a building for the storage of wood chip fuel and siting of biomass boiler and associated equipment in adjacent building (partly in retrospect) (22/0413/PA) – no known objections.

9. Points of interest raised by the County Councillor.

Di had highlighted the need for PCC to make a further £29 million worth of savings in the future.

10. Any Other Business

- a. It was with sadness that the meeting was informed that the Ridgeway Nursing Home would close.
- b. Castleview Residential Home: work appeared to have halted for the time being.
- c. Autumn Newsletter would be ready for distribution in mid-November. Along with contributions from local organisations it would include the Christmas lunch flyer, children's Christmas party flyer and an article on the successful fun day held at the playing field in August 2022. It was also suggested that an advert be placed asking for volunteers for a playing field working group.
- d. A litter pick had been organised in the Bethesda area at the end of September, and 3 full bags of rubbish was collected. It was hoped a litter pick could be arranged for Llawhaden in November and Robeston in the new year.

11. Next Meeting

The next meeting would take place on Thursday 3rd November 2022 at 20:00hrs, at Llawhaden YFC & Community Hall.

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