

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

Minutes of the Community Council meeting held on Thursday 5th January 2023 at 20:00hrs at Llawhaden YFC & Community Hall.

Present:

Hugh Watchman (Chair)	Victoria Rabia McAndrew	Samantha Hebblethwaite
Tracy Watkins	Di Clements (County Councillor)	Samantha Philipps-Harries (Clerk)
Michael Thomas (Prospective Councillor)		

1. Chairman's Remarks

The chairman welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the new year, and introduced Michael Thomas from Bethesda who had expressed an interest in joining the community council.

2. Apologies for Absence

No apologies for absence had been received.

3. Declaration of Members Interests

There was no declaration of members interests.

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

Minutes of the meeting held on the 1st December 2022, were confirmed as a true record. Proposed by Samantha H and seconded by Victoria.

5. Matters Arising There From

a. Broadband Project Update: no update at present.

b. Playing Field, Llawhaden:

Keep Wales Tidy Development Pack update: although we were unsuccessful for the development pack, they had decided to allocate a growing food pack to the project.

Outdoor Connections Fund: the application would be completed by Samantha H.

Composting Toilet update: Tir Coed have been approached and they would advise the best way to progress regarding a toilet in the field. Ideally this would need to progress quite quickly as the Feeding Communities Grant needed to be spent by the end of March 2023.

The I Dig Trees pack is due to be delivered on or around the 25/01/2023, this would coincide with National Parks fruit trees. It was therefore decided to arrange a working party to meet at the field on 28/01/2023 to start planting the trees.

The Enhancing Pembrokeshire Grant application was due soon, and Samantha H was in the process of completing the application, to ensure the application deadline was met.

c. Luncheon Club update / Christmas Lunch 10th December 2022:

Bush Inn Invoice totalling £1118.95 had been received for the Christmas Lunch – it was agreed to pay. Proposed by Victoria and seconded by Samantha H.

Hamper Invoice totalling £41.26 was received from the clerk for the raffle hampers at the Christmas lunch – it was agreed to pay. Proposed by Tracy and seconded by Victoria.

Luncheon club subsidy reclaim/menu for the new year: it was agreed to continue with the third Thursday of the month. The Bush Inn have published a new menu. However, no monies had yet been received from Pembrokeshire County Council (PCC) to re-imburse the community council for the £1.50 per diner subsidy. We would wait to see if the monies were credited to the bank account on the next statement before Di would chase up the necessary department at PCC.

Signed: *Hugh Watchman*

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Letters of thanks have been received from many of the Christmas lunch diners and expressing their gratitude to all the community councillors for all their positive efforts throughout the community had been notices and residents were grateful for their hard work.

- d. Children's Christmas Party 17th December 2022 – Invoice totalling £126.85, was presented by Victoria – it was agreed to pay. Proposed by Samantha H and seconded by Tracy. Di had agreed to pay for the presents given to the children on the day and would transfer the monies to the community council.
- e. Llawhaden Planning/Right of Way issues: Di advised this was going to be a long-winded affair. Land Registry are involved along with the Cardiff based solicitors. Cwm Farm: there had been no appeal to date.
- f. Defibrillators – replacement pads for Llawhaden, invoice totalling £61.49. It was agreed to pay Hugh, proposed by Samantha H and seconded by Victoria.
- h. CPR training at Llawhaden Hall update: still going ahead on 23/01/2023. There were 10 attendees at present therefore it was agreed that there would be just the one session at 12:30 hrs. However, if more people were interested in attending then there would be no problem in adding a late afternoon session.
- i. Grit Bins: had been delivered to both Gelli and Llawhaden by PCC.
- j. Playground Llawhaden – Insurance update: the current policy would cover certain aspects of the play equipment and public liability. As no correspondence had been received regarding the playground to date this would be discussed at a later date.

6. Finance

- a. Estimated NatWest Bank Account balances as at 5th December 2023:

Current Account:

Business Reserve Account = £1440.61

Opening Balance £3643.36

Monies Received

Precept (PCC) £2500.00

£6143.36

Monies Out

Luncheon Club £ 15.00

Newsletter £ 112.50

£ 127.50

Estimated Closing £6015.86

Earmarked funds Playing Field = £829.50

- b. Pembrokeshire County Council (PCC) Town and Community Council Election re-charge Invoice totalling £225.00 – this monies was to cover the cost of PCC's administration despite the ward not holding an election in May 2022. It was agreed to pay, proposed by Tracy, and seconded by Victoria.
- c. Clerk's request for wages and expenses October to December 2022. Wages = £500.00, HMRC (PAYE) = £125.00, no expenses claimed. It was agreed to pay, proposed by Victoria and seconded by Samantha H.

7. Correspondence

- a. Keep Warm, Keep Well in Pembrokeshire - noted.
- b. PLANED CWBR Youth Project – Victoria has agreed to attend the meeting on 17/01/2023.
- c. Pembrokeshire Draft Well-being Plan Consultation – noted.

8. Planning

- a. The Byre, Llawhaden House, Llawhaden: Application for six replacement doors (new design) and replacement windows. Planning and listed building application for traditional slate hanging on western gable (22/0408/LB) – conditionally approved.

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- b. THE BYRE, Llawhaden House, LLAWHADEN, Narberth, Pembrokeshire, SA67 8HN: Alterations to dwelling including replacement doors and windows along with traditional slate hanging (22/0407/PA) – conditionally approved.
- c. Talybont Farm, LLAWHADEN, Narberth, Pembrokeshire, SA67 8HJ: Construction of slurry lagoon (22/0760/PA) – no known objections currently.
- d. Barn 1, Llawhaden House, LLAWHADEN, Narberth, Pembrokeshire, SA67 8HN: Change of use of barn B to ancillary spa pool and sauna and barn A to holiday let and minor external alterations to barns A and B (22/0782/PA) – no known objections.
- e. St Kennox, C3011 Llawhaden to Canaston Bridge, Llawhaden, Narberth, SA67 8DG: Steel portal frame building (22/0665/AG) – unconditionally approved.

9. Points of interest raised by the County Councillor.

- a. The main point was the shortfall in the budget by £19 million, this was less than predicted due to additional funds being received by from British Government. However, there was still a shortfall and it was thought that there would 75% increase in council tax, along with service cuts throughout Pembrokeshire e.g. closing toilets, leisure centres etc.
- b. Di is the Chair of the Democratic Services Committee - who are working closely with project to find out what discourages people from standing in local election etc.

10. Any Other Business

- a. It has been noted that the rubbish bin in the village (alongside the 'T' junction), is being misused with household rubbish being deposited in the bin. Using the bin in this way is lawfully classed as fly tipping and if the culprits are identified then they would be charged as such. It was agreed to post on the Llawhaden Community Facebook page in the first instance, discouraging people from continuing to dispose of their household waste in this way, before further action would be taken.

11. Next Meeting

The next meeting would take place on Thursday 9th February 2023 at 20:00hrs, at Llawhaden YFC & Community Hall.

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 22:00 hrs.

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