

# LLAWHADEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

(INCORPORATING LLAWHADEN, ROBESTON WATHEN, BETHESDA AND GELLI)

**Minutes** for the Community Council meeting to be held on Thursday 6th July 2023 at 20:00hrs at Llawhaden YFC & Community Hall.

## **Present:**

Tracy Watkins (Chair)                      Michael Thomas (Vice Chairman)      Samantha Hebblethwaite  
Tim Simons      Samantha Philipps-Harries (Clerk)

## **1. Chairman's Remarks.**

Tracy welcomed everyone to the meeting.

## **2. Apologies for Absence.**

Apologies for absence had been received from County Councillor Di Clements, Catherine Hancock and Victoria Rabiya McAndrew.

## **3. Declaration of Members Interests.**

There were no declarations of members interests.

## **4. Confirmation of Minutes of the Last Meeting – 15th June 2023.**

Minutes of the meeting held on 15th June 2023 were confirmed as a true record. Proposed by Mike and seconded by Samantha H.

## **5. Matters Arising There From**

- a. Broadband Project Update: following news that Broadway Partners had gone into administration; no further works had progressed in the area. An update from Pembrokeshire County Council advised that they were hopeful that a buyer would be found soon, especially as a good proportion of the necessary groundwork for the project in various areas in Pembrokeshire had been actioned.
- b. Playing Field, Llawhaden:
  - Keep Wales Tidy Development update / Other Grant Update (Tesco Community Grants Application): The Keep Wales Tidy Development grant application had been successful, resulting in additional equipment, raised beds, storage, water butt, habitat boxes, seeds, plants etc. being provided. The items were due to be delivered around the 7th of July 2023. Tesco had confirmed receipt of the application and all necessary documentation, and they would be in touch when a decision had been made.
  - Volunteer/Working Day – Sun 25th June update: a few willing volunteers turned up to the help place the composting toilet and all the toilet now needed was for a liner to be placed in the drop area. IBC tanks had been sourced to capture water and are in place, they only need to be connected (Michael would action this).
  - Grass Cutting: if ever the mower needed to be hired to mow the area, the cost to hire an all-terrain mower would be in the region of £60 per day (Michael).
  - Lee “the tree man” had visited the field and identified between 4 and 6 trees that needed to be cut down. He would charge £750.00 per day. It was agreed that 2 further quotes should be obtained before a decision would be made.
  - A representative from the charity SANDS (Hailey) had visited the field, with the view to possibly installing a memorial garden. The Hailey would be in touch with some ideas for the playing field representatives to consider.
  - Given the amount of work that it is generated by Playing Field, councillors wondered whether a separate working committee would be the way forward, consisting of community councillors and residents. This would be discussed further at a future date.

Signed: *Michael Thomas*

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- c. Luncheon Club / grant renewal: The information had been forwarded to Pembrokeshire County Council (PCC) in respect of the £540 received from them in December 2022. The clerk would contact Hugh Watchman for the information he had gathered on those that had and were attending the lunches and set up a register of attendees. Tim agreed to be responsible for maintaining the register at the lunches going forward. The next lunch has been arranged at the Bush Inn, Robeston Wathen on Thursday 20th July 2023 at 12:30 hrs.
- d. Llawhaden Planning/Right of Way issues update: no update at present.
- e. Grit Bin request for SA66 7HH following accidents during icy road conditions – no update at present.
- f. New Email address for mailshots etc. – the new email address was agreed as info.llawhadencc@gmail.com . Samantha H agreed to set this up.
- g. Community Fun Day update: it was agreed that a planning meeting be held at the Bush Inn, Robeston Wathen on Wednesday 19th July 2023 at 19:30 hrs. This would be advertised on the Facebook page and the WhatsApp group to encourage residents to attend.

### 6. Finance

- a. Natwest Bank Account balances as at 06/07/2023

Current Account		Bank Rec dated	06/07/2023
		£	£
Bank balance as per cashbook			<u>3285.83</u>
Bank Balance per bank statement dated 30/06/2023		£3556.19	
less outstanding cheques			
000956		£36.00	
000957		£30.00	
000959		£50.00	
000961		<u>£155.00</u>	
Total value outstanding cheques		<u>£271.00</u>	<u>3285.19</u>
Difference NIL			0.64
Savings Account 06/07/2023			<u>1443.57</u>

- b. Clerk's request for Wages and Expenses April to June 2023: Wages - £500, HMRC (PAYE) - £125, and Expenses £28.85. It was agreed to pay the clerk, proposed by Tim and seconded by Samantha H.

### 7. Correspondence

- a. Pembrokeshire County Council (PCC) – Ethical Standards Week Online Meeting – 11th July at 6 p.m. – noted.
- b. PCC: Consultation on catchment area changes - Ysgol Brynconin; Ysgol Maenclochog; Ysgol Bro Preseli; Ysgol Caer Elen – noted.

### 8. Planning

Concerns have been raised with the county councillor Di Clements regarding the ongoing developments within Coed Cynefin. Developments without approved planning applications appeared to be ongoing, rubbish was being left and collected by PCC at the entrance to the

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woodland in Gelli, as well as deliveries of shopping. Given that the most recent planning applications had been refused, the activity in the area would contradict this.

9. Points of interest raised by the County Councillor.

No points were raised in Di's absence.

10. **Any Other Business**

- a. Defibrillator Checks: Robeston Wathen – ok and Llawhaden – ok. Mike and Samantha H would check Bethesda and Gelli respectively and let the clerk know.
- b. Consideration of a Miscarriage Memorial at the Playing Field, Llawhaden – discussed earlier in the meeting point 5b.

11. **Next Meeting**

There will be no meeting in August therefore the next meeting will be held on Thursday 7th September 2023 at 20:00hrs, at Llawhaden YFC & Community Hall.

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 21:45 hrs.