

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

Minutes for the Community Council meeting held on Thursday 4th January 2024 at 20:00hrs at Llawhaden YFC & Community Hall.

Present:

Tracy Watkins (Chair)

Adam James

Catherine Hancock

Samantha Philipps-Harries (Clerk)

1. Chairman's Remarks.

Tracy welcomed everyone to the meeting and extended our sincere condolences to Michael and his family following the death of his wife.

2. Apologies for Absence.

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

3. Declaration of Members Interests.

There were no declarations of members interests.

4. Confirmation of Minutes of the Last Meeting – 7th December 2023.

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

5. Matters Arising There From

- a. Broadband Project Update: no update at present.
- b. Playing Field, Llawhaden: update.
- c. Luncheon Club – Next lunch will be on Thursday 18th January 2024, at the Bush Inn, Robeston Wathen. 79 residents attended the Christmas Lunch on 16th December, resulting in a bill of £1576.00 which the clerk had settled. Therefore, the clerk is requesting reimbursement of this amount. It was agreed to pay the clerk the £1576. The clerk had also purchased items for the hamper raffle totalling £77.09, it was also agreed to reimburse this. Proposed by Catherine and seconded by Adam.
- d. Llawhaden Planning/Right of Way issues update: no update at present.
- e. Invoice for Grit Bin from Pembrokeshire County Council (PCC) at SA66 7HH totalling £216.00: it was confirmed at the December meeting that grit bin had been sited and therefore it was agreed to pay the invoice. Proposed by Adam and seconded by Catherine.
- f. Condition of road at Sycamores, Llawhaden: the clerk informed the meeting that she had written to the Pembrokeshire County Council (PCC), highlighting the state of the road.
- g. Defibrillator updates: Gelli defibrillator remains offline, and the clerk has sent the video of the defective defibrillator to the company to hopefully rectify the issue. The clerk would also purchase additional consumables for the defibrillators to hold a set in stock.

6. Finance

- a. Estimated NatWest Bank Account balances as at 4th January 2024: please see appendix 1 for a signed up to date list of payments signed by Tracy.

Current Account		Bank Rec dated	04/01/2024
		£	£
Bank balance as per cashbook			<u>£4225.33</u>
- PCC Precept Payment		£2500.00	
			<u>£6725.33</u>
- 000975		19.50	

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Total value outstanding cheques		£19.50	
Balance 04/01/2024			£6705.83
EARMARKED FUNDS			
Playing Field - £303.75			
Luncheon Club Subsidy - £118.50			
Savings Account 04/01/2024			£1452.06

- b. Clerks request for wages and expenses for October to December 2023: the clerk presented her request for wages, totalling £500.00 wages and £125.00 HMRC, it was agreed to pay. Proposed by Catherine and seconded by Adam.

7. Correspondence

No correspondence had been received.

8. Planning

- a. Canaston Cottage, Canaston Bridge SA67 8DF: Raise roof over existing kitchen area to improve first floor headroom (23/0680/PA) – conditionally approved.
- b. Holgain Lodge, Drim Wood, Gelli Hill SA66 7HR: Certificate of lawfulness (23/0744/CL): Drim Wood developments had been raised with PCC on numerous occasions, and it was frustrating that this development was now being considered. If the development was being considered for habitation by PCC, due to the claim that it has been lived in for 10 years then surely PCC should consider the payment of council tax for the length of time they advised they have lived at the dwelling.
- c. Garden Fields, Llawhaden SA67 8HN: Formation of new vehicular access to walled garden (23/0492/LB): Adam kindly agreed to comment on behalf of the community council. We would be expressing the objections of numerous residents who felt the application would be detrimental to the historical wall.

9. Points of interest raised by the County Councillor.

No points have been highlighted by the County Councillor in her absence.

10. Any Other Business

No other business was discussed.

11. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 1st February 2024 at 20:00hrs, at Llawhaden YFC & Community Hall. The clerk would not be available to attend this meeting, however the meeting would go ahead, and the clerk will ensure all the relevant documentation is available.

As there no was no further business the meeting closed at 21:50 hrs.