

Llanpumsaint Community Council Minutes

September Minutes

The monthly meeting was held in the Village Hall on Tuesday evening, the 4th of September 2012 at 8.00pm. Present were the Councillors; Wyn Thomas, Danny Davies, Malcolm Howells, Dylan Jones, Elfed Davies and the County Councillor, Irfon Jones.

Apologies were received from; Carolyn Smethurst, Mali Lloyd and Arwel Nicholas

The Chairman, Danny Davies welcomed the two policemen; PC Gareth Thomas and PCSO Martin Dickenson to the meeting. Matters discussed were:

- Speeding vehicles on the Pandy – Bryn road. At present, there is no monitoring of vehicle speed on this road but consideration will be given to doing so in the future.
- Speed alert signs at appropriate places on the main road through the village
- PCSO Dickenson suggested creating 20 mph zones near the school and playing field in order to protect pedestrians and children. It was agreed to discuss this matter at the next meeting.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed as being correct and signed by the Chairman

Matters arising

- It was observed that the Pantydriw entrance had not been resurfaced yet
- Barking dogs in Penllainddu. The appropriate officers visited the property and were satisfied that there was no need to take the matter further because the dogs only barked when strangers arrived.
- Narberth Glass will repair the broken glass when next in the area

Correspondence

A letter from the Hall Committee Secretary, requesting nominations for vacancies on the Committee. 4 persons were named and the Council requested to nominate them. Discussions were had as to how many persons were to be nominated by the Council as opposed to other organisations such as Bethel and Caersalem chapels. It was agreed to nominate Dorian Thomas and Meleri Brown as Council representatives as well as two other persons, namely; Angharad Harding and Gwyneth Ayers. Clarification is required as to the exact number of Committee members the Council has to nominate

Requests for donations from charities would be discussed in the October meeting.

Councillor Irfon Jones had received a letter from Ralph Carpenter, describing a flood of water that overflowed from a blocked culvert that carried water beneath the site of the old rubbish tip, following heavy rain. Richard Workman of Highways to be made aware of the matter.

Councillor Wyn Thomas had received a letter from the Auditors BDO. It was requested that the Council once more agree that the budget was correct. It was proposed and seconded as such.

Planning

A number of applications had been received but only one was current: Weldon, Gwynfryn. There were no objections to the application

Financial Matters

Payments

None

Receipts

Precept

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- Ty Nant junction – it was mentioned that the Highways Dept was going to investigate either the hedge or road markings.
- Ty Beric hedge – in need of trimming, as tractors are having to drive in the middle of the road to avoid smashing their mirrors.
- Water flowing from Darfryn and Pen y Berth into the adjoining Min y Ffordd. The County Council had agreed to deal with the matter but no action has yet been taken.
- The community at Nebo requested information as to why the recent resurfacing work had only been carried out on some and not all of the road.
- The Mobile Post Office is not visiting the Village as per agreement
- The toilets are constantly locked.
- Heavy traffic on the road to the Temple. A request needs to be made that the Temple re-route their worshippers via the Alltwallis entrance. Local residents have complained that departing worshippers
- The bridge crossing Nant alltwallis near Fferm y Felin is in need of urgent repair
- Rubbish being dropped along the road near the sewage works. A request for a rubbish bin needs to be made
- Research into membership with Once Voice Wales or similar organisation needs to be made, so that the Clerk can receive training and networking opportunities with other communities. To be discussed at the next meeting

Visitors

When Council business finished, three visitors were welcomed, namely; Mr Arwyn Thomas, Mrs Margaret Griffiths and Mr Llew Thomas. Arwyn mentioned 4 projects that were ongoing in the Community at present.

- Llanpumsaint School celebrating 150th anniversary
- Mural on the Scool wall
- Monument to be placed in the Hall
- Heritage Scheme – placing Interactive Historical Boards at 5 sites around the Parish

The three visitors have been researching the feasibility of creating and placing 5 boards around the village. The total cost of the project would be £27,000 but with a grant of 80% available and with the the three researchers giving of their time, the cost to the Community would only be £1,488. One of the organisations in the Village will need to fund the project and pay the initial cost of the boards, before claiming a repayment. The Councillors were unsure if the Council's bank account could be used for this purpose and that other organisations, such as the Hall or Welfare Committees might have greater financial freedom.

The Council supports the venture and are prepared to contribute toward the outstanding amount.