

LLANDINAM COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting held at Llandinam Village Hall on 29th May 2024 at 7.30pm

Chairman	Cllr Andy Owen	✓	Cllr Jackie Deakins	A
Vice Chairman	Cllr Linda Savage	✓	Cllr Mike Jones	✓
	Cllr Mike Brennan	✓	Cllr Tricia Jones	✓
	Cllr Michael Davies	✓	Cllr Karl Lewis	✓
	Cllr Roche Davies	✓	Cllr Colin Owen	✓

✓ Present X Not Present A Apology for Absence

1. Apologies for Absence

2. **Declarations of Interest by Councillors on any items on the Agenda.** KL standing declaration of interest on all planning matters.
3. **Approval and signing of Minutes from the meeting of 24th April 2024.** Approved.

4. Groundsperson Report

Carpark : a campervan has been in situ for at least 2 weeks now. Each week of 31st March, 7th April and 21st April approx. fifty plus empty cider cans dumped near to bins. These were removed. General litter picking done. Some fuchsia plants donated and planted in boarders.

Playground: general litter picking done. No issues.

War Memorial : No issues to report.

Playground Carpark : grass cut on 3rd April , partially completed as the ground was so wet and must have impeded progress. Grass cut again on 22nd April successfully.

5. Continuing Business

(a) Car Park

- Email from resident complaining that cameras sited by the Café cover the carpark. This has been checked with the Café and the camera does not cover the carpark or any Community Council land, therefore this is viewed as a civil matter between residents. Clerk to respond.
- A clothing bank in aid of the Fire Service has been sited on the carpark, which is in direct competition with the current clothing bank who donate to Llandinam School. LS will find out who gave permission for this and the timescale involved.

(b) Cemetery/Church

- No updates.

(c) Play Area

- Slide safety signs have been fitted by AO
- New picnic tables ideally need to be sited on concrete, this will be actioned when the weather improves
- Clerk to contact C Baker to gain a quotation for writing a National Lottery bid for funding for new play area. Quote to be emailed to Councillors and approved online if it is acceptable.

(d) Highways

- Request to site a 20mph sign on the side of the bus shelter. Approved.
- Road to Ael-y-Bryn the embankment is slipping, blocked ditch and kerbs near school – reported and a job raised for this remedial work
- Bridge – needs weeding – KL to report
- T Junction sign opposite bridge, foliage needs cutting back so sign is more visible. Dinam Estates Land – clerk to contact owner
- Barn Lane Drainage reported and listed as on ongoing job
- Waen Lane drain blockage – KL to report
- Chapel Lane – Deep pothole – KL to report
- Drainage issue outside RA Owen is ongoing and being managed by Severn Trent

(e) War Memorial

- The new hedge is higher than the old one. Clerk to contact Dinem Estates.
- Groundsperson to tidy and weed, and leave wreaths until after D-Day

(f) Flood Management

- One of the bungalow lawns opposite the flood defence is very wet, despite other lawns being dry. It is possible that a drainage pipe has been nipped. KL has reported and arranged a site visit for further investigation.
- NRW are considering legal action on changes to the river by a resident. The river restoration is on hold until this matter is resolved.
- Severn View – Clerk to send letter to MWT requesting for tree pruning to continue.

6. Planning Applications

None

7. Review of Correspondence

Public Transport review – Councillors felt it was important that bus times line up with train times to facilitate onward travel.

8. Finance

Receipts – Interest £76.12, £9,434 Precept

Payments - Clerks salary & expenses, Groundsperson payment, Printer £28.01, HMRC £75

All receipts/Payments approved

Councillors discussed changing bank to Unity, in order to facilitate online payments – Approved.

Clerk to open Current and Reserves Accounts

9. Any other business at discretion of the Chairman

- (a) D-Day – Beacons will be lit on 6th June at 9.15pm
- (b) Bus Shelter Library – In order to continue this needs to be kept tidy, at present several boxes of books and other items have been dumped. KL to speak with local resident to request that someone takes ownership.
- (c) Annual Grazing Rights – Provided. CO to action

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10. Information from members

In June Llandinam School will be 140 years old. Councillors discussed providing a gift or another item to commemorate this event. They decided on a plaque similar to the one previously sited. MB and KL to consult with other involved parties and feedback information.

New guidance has been issued on 'Going Digital'. This will be added to the next agenda for discussion

11. Public comments/questions – None

Date of Next Meeting – 29th May 2024 at 7.30pm at Llandinam VH.

MEETING CLOSED at 20.37