

**Llanelly Community Council**  
**Minutes of the Council Meeting held on**  
**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2014 at the Gilwern Community**  
**Centre at 7.00pm**

**Present**

Cllr Kay Blackwell

Cllr Malcolm Cook

Cllr Lynne Elliott

Cllr Simon Howarth

Cllr Paul Downes

Cllr Brian Kemp(Chairman)

Cllr Val Jones

Cllr J Jones

Cllr David McCloy

Cllr Phillip Salter

Cllr Trevor Williams

**14/322 In attendance**

Adrian Edwards, Clerk to the Council.

**14/323 Agenda Item 1:-Apologies received from.**

Cllr's Anthony Carrington and Archie Thomas

**14/324 Agenda Item 2:-Declaration of interest.**

No Declarations were offered

**14/325 Agenda Item 3:- To confirm the minutes from the Ordinary Meeting on the 8<sup>th</sup> September 2014 as an accurate record**

Cllr Downes explained that he was missed of the minutes as attending and Cllr Cook explained that the word to should be inserted in the third paragraph after "Three Counties Community Play"

**Proposed:** by Cllr Blackwell seconded by Cllr Downes that the minutes are signed after the amendments are made.

**Resolved:** the minutes are signed by the Chairman.

**14/326 Agenda Item 4:-Matters to report**

There was some debate over the waste collection and the siting of further dog waste bins. The Clerk informed members that more bins have been delivered and they will be erected over the next couple of weeks. There was some debate over the location of the waste bin at Ty-Mawr. After some debate it was:

**Agreed:** to erect bins in different location in the community. One to be erected at the junction of Ty Mawr Road.

Cllr Blackwell asked if the snooker table is still in storage.

Cllr Howarth asked about the waste from the building. It was explained that estimates have been sought and only contractor has supplied an estimate. After some debate it was:

**Agreed:** that Thomas Waste should supply a waste bin located at the Community Centre.

**14/327 Agenda Item 5:-** To confirm the notes from the Subcommittee Meeting on the **10<sup>th</sup> September 2014** as an accurate record.

**Proposed:** by Cllr Cook seconded by Cllr Salter that the minutes are signed.

**Resolved:** the minutes are signed by the Chairman

**14/328 Agenda Item 6:-**Matters to report

Cllr Howarth asked if the council has a contract with Social Services and if the agreement with "Three Counties Community Play" has been signed.

Cllr Blackwell explained how and why the agreement has been done in the way it has been. She explained that Social Services have funding until March 2015, and the council will meet with them in the new year.

**14/329 Agenda Item 7:-** To confirm the notes from the Subcommittee Meeting on the **7<sup>th</sup> October 2014** as an accurate record.

**Proposed:** by Cllr Blackwell seconded by Cllr Salter that the minutes are signed.

**Resolved:** the minutes are signed by the Chairman

**14/330 Agenda Item 8:-**Matters to report

Cllr Blackwell raised a point about minute 14/330 and the cleaning of the building. It was felt that users should clean up and wash the dishes and leave the building as they found it. After some debate it was:

**Agreed:** to monitor the situation

Cllr Howarth asked about the issues with the drainage. The Clerk explained that drainage is backing up and the system is not flushing away. There was some debate over the adoption of the sewerage from the building. It was explained that users have explained that MCC used to flush the drainage on a regular basis.

**Action point:** Cllr's Howarth and Howard will follow this up with MCC

**14/331 Agenda Item 9:-** Consider any planning applications received or granted before the meeting.

**Applications:**

- **14/11349/FUL:** Erection of Conservatory. 39 Malford Grove, Gilwern.

*Members offered no objection*

- **14/11331/FUL:** Single storey extension and extension to drive. 17 Hill View, Gilwern.

*Members offered no objection*

- **14/11330/FUL:** High head micro hydro scheme, with turgo runner in turbine house. System consisting of intake weir and integrated forebay tank, pipeline, turbine house and export cable. Nant Dyar Watercourse, Nr Box Cottage, Clydach

*Members offered no objection*

- **14/11107/FUL:** Proposed dormer window and rooms in roof space to provide ancillary accommodation. Willowdene, Forge Row, Maes-y-Gwartha.

*Members offered no objection*

- **14/11194/FUL:** Amendment to application. High head micro hydro scheme, with turgo runner in turbine house. System consisting of intake weir and integrated forebay tank, pipeline, turbine house and export cable. Land near Haford Road, Brynmawr.

*Members offered no objection*

- **ENF14/01402/SA:** Land adjacent Church House, Church Road, Llanelly Church

*Members noted the correspondence*

#### **Applications Approved:**

- **14/10975/FUL:** Gilwern United reform Church. Erection of metal security fence
- **14/11063/FUL:** 17 Crawshay Bailey Close, Gilwern. Conservatory extension
- **14/10994/FUL:** Brookwood Cottage, 6 Forge Row, Gilwern. Remove existing timber and glass porch from rear elevation. Remove brick outside WC to erect mahogany UPVC conservatory on masonry dwarf wall with fully glazed side panels and glass roof

*Members noted the all of the above.*

**14/332 Agenda item 10:-** Correspondence received.

#### **Welsh Assembly Government:**

1. A465 Abergavenny to Hirwaun Dualling Highway Act 1980

They was some debate over the side roads being used as rat runs if a Road Traffic accident occurs when the dualling commences. The Clerk explained the contractors are only responsible for the side roads which have closures or making access on to the A465, any other road traffic orders are the responsibility of MCC. Cllr Howarth explained that he has been in contact with highways officers regarding these issues. Cllr Cook proposed that a letter is sent to Stage Coach and thank them for maintaining the bus service. After some debate it was:

***Agreed:*** to contact MCC highways and Gwent Police to attend a meeting.

2. Welsh Language Commissioner public consultation

#### **Brecon Beacons National Park:**

None received

#### **Monmouthshire County Council:**

3. MCC Adopted Final LDP version
4. MCC Benches and panels on the canal bank

5. A Memorial Concert to remember Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> November

### **Other**

6. One Voice Wales Area agenda
7. GAVO AGM 14th October 10.30
8. One Voice Wales Cancellation of meeting
9. Gwent Police NHW minutes
10. Gilwern Welfare Association "Letter of thanks"
11. Quotation from Crickhowell Joinery
12. Quotation from AA Davies

*Members agreed to continue with the lowest estimate. Clerk to confirm the estimates and place a works order.*

13. Quotation from Thomas Waste Management

*Members agreed to accept the quotation*

14. Monmouthshire Charter meeting
15. Christmas Shows 2014
16. Mazars external audit report

### **Emails**

17. Complaint about off road racing
18. One Voice Wales survey
19. The National St David Awards 2015
20. Access onto School Lane Gilwern

*It was agreed to contact MCC highways and local Police to look into the parking in this location*

21. Cae Meldon development
22. Wales Audit office reserves
23. BBNP Enforcement team re: ENF/14/01402/SA
24. Came and Co insurance cover
25. Invitation from Gwent PCC for the Chairman and Clerk to attend open meeting
26. One Voice Wales Register of members interests

*The Clerk explained that the following items were received after the printing of the correspondence.*

27. Request for funding for the arts exhibition in Gilwern
28. Request for funding for the Christmas market on the 6<sup>th</sup> December.
29. Notice from BBNP regarding footpath 108 on the tow path which has now been created

*Members noted the correspondence*

Cllr Blackwell explained that the Christmas lights item should have been included on the agenda. The Chairman asked for members/s from the sub-committee to give members a verbal report on the progress.

### **14/333 Agenda Item 11:- Multi Sports Surface Area in Gilwern "Cllr Carrington"**

This item was deferred to the next meeting

**14/334 Agenda Item 12:-** Access to Llewellyns Row, Llanelly Hill "Cllr Howard"

Cllr Howard explained that he has received a request from a local resident about the surface to the access to their property. It was explained that the surface is a rough surface that needs a tarmac finish. He explained that the Highways Authority will not consider resurfacing this area. It was explained the land is common land. He proposed that the Council contribute to supplying some hardcore or different hardcore base to make the surface more even. Cllr Howarth explained that if the Community Council helped with one unadopted road will the Council be responsible for other roads with a seemlier surface. After some debate it was:

**Resolved:** to contact a local contractor to see if they can help with this issue.

**14/335 Agenda item 13:-** To note Income & Expenditure.

Clerks salary & HMRC payment	
Mrs Watkins Contract payment 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Qut	£500.00
Merlin Waste 13 <sup>th</sup> & 27 <sup>th</sup> October	£122.04
E.on Estimated Gas bill	£722.28
E.on Electricity bill Council Chamber	£48.76
E.on Electricity bill OSCC	£83.39
Honey Comb printing	£80.00
Festivelighting	£195.00
Mazars audit fee	£354.00
British Gas GCC	£63.69
Corona energy	£176.81
Terry Morgan	£420.00
Newhall cleaning items	£41.81
Monwel Signs	£1,021.52
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MCC Rent	£62.50
Festivelighting	£445.02
Reimbursement to the Clerk	£75.95
One Voice Wales	£481.00
Income	
Hall hire	£665.20
Reimbursement from Llanelly Hill Welfare	£13.73
Hall	
Contract hire from OSCC	£20,663.68

**Proposed:** by Cllr Williams seconded by Cllr V Jones the above invoices are paid.

*All the invoices were available for inspection by members.*

**14/336 Agenda item 14:-** Reports from the Clerk.

*The Clerk explained that members should have a petty cash float between £150 & £200. This was:*

**Proposed** by Cllr Howard seconded by Cllr Blackwell all members agreed.

The Clerk gave members a verbal report on the planning application relating to Cwrt y Gollan. He explained that the traffic assessment submitted with the application is from the public inquiry in 2010 which was turned down by the Welsh Government Inspector. He also explained that s106 monies have not been agreed with Powys or MCC education departments. Cllr Howarth explained that he has contacted MCC Highways in relation to this application and

officers have concerns over the application. He also explained that he does not think that MCC can apply for s106 monies for education although Gilwern School may be closer to the development than Crickhowell or Llangattock.

**14/337    Agenda Item 15:-** Reports from members on outside bodies.

No further matters to report.

**14/338    Agenda Item 16:-** Reports from members of the County Council.

Cllr Howarth asked if the Council could exclude the members of the press and public from the meeting. This was seconded by Cllr Cook, all members agreed.

Cllr Howarth explained that he has been contacted by Trustee from Clydach village hall. He explained that the trustees have been meeting with the contractors that are going to dual the A465. It was explained that it is the intention of the trustees to lease the building to the contractors as an environmental base. He explained the village hall has been receiving rent from the pupils referral unit, that boosted the village hall funds, but he explained this funding will not last forever.

He explained it's the intention of the trustees to hold a meeting in the next several days so the village hall committee has the opportunity to discuss the proposals.

**14/339** The Chairman thanked members for attending and closed the meeting at 9.28pm

Signed by \_\_\_\_\_

Cllr

Date 10<sup>th</sup> November 2014.