

**Minutes of the meeting of Llangynin Community Council held
via video and telephone link on
22nd June 2020 immediately after the Annual Meeting.**

Present :

Councillors Tony Ashcroft, Ellen Durell, John Lewis, Philip Morgan, Alison Wells, Pamela Windsor and County Councillor Dorian Phillips.

In the Chair - Councillor Anthony Ashcroft

15. Personal Matters

None.

16. Declarations of Interest

None.

17. Minutes of the last meeting.

Cllr E Durell proposed that the minutes of the meeting on the 10th March 2020 were a true record of the discussion and was seconded by Councillor Alison Wells. **RESOLVED that the minutes of the meetings of Council held on 10th March 2020 be approved and signed as a correct record.**

18. Matters Arising

(i) Footpaths – an offer of help to install new footpath signage had been received from a member of the public.

19. County Councillor's Update.

County Council business was starting to resume with meetings being held via video for the time being. The County Councillor expressed his thanks to all the volunteers who had come forward over the past few weeks.

- (i) Business grants. Cllr Phillips asked that details of any businesses who had not applied for a business grant be forwarded to him as soon as possible.
- (ii) Tourists can return from 6th July, with accommodation opening from 13th July. The Community Council's view was that a gradual opening up to visitors would be a preferred approach.
- (iii) Road surfaces throughout the village would be surface dressed, members highlighted current problems with the road surface throughout the village that were in need of immediate attention.
- (iv) Footpaths currently closed will reopen after the coronavirus situation has ended.

19. Clerk's Report.

1. Carmarthenshire County Council

- (i) Vacancies and elections. The Regulations postpone any by-elections due in the period from 16th March 2020 to 31st January 2021 and require them instead to be held on a date between the period commencing on 1st February 2021 and ending on 16th April 2021. Hence if you have a vacancy that occurs, you will still be

required to notify the Returning Officer who in turn will publish the Notice of Vacancy. If a request by 10 electors of the Community or Community Ward request an election, the election will be put on hold and held between 1st February and 16th April 2021.

- (ii) Carmarthenshire Covid-19 Community Response Fund is now available to support voluntary sector organisations and community groups in Carmarthenshire to:
- Maintain or increase activities that support the vulnerable during the Coronavirus (COVID-19) crisis
 - Ensure that organisation/community groups have the resources needed to deliver vital services for their communities
 - Encourage robust health and safety protocols during all activities that safeguard voluntary sector staff, volunteers, helpers and beneficiaries.

County Cllr D Phillips noted he had applied for a loan for the Bryn Hall.

2. National Lottery Heritage Fund

On Friday 5th June National Lottery Heritage Fund and Welsh Government launched a one year capital grant scheme to encourage and support community based activity to create 'nature on your doorstep'. It is part of a package of measures to encourage 'Local Places for Nature'. The Local Places for Nature Capital Grant for Wales, will run until March 2021 and will distribute funds to small-scale community organisations for activities that restore and enhance nature in their local area, see Doc a for more details. Capital grants will range from between £10,000 and £50,000, and the total funding available is £1 million in 2020-21. Capital grants may be used to acquire, restore and enhance nature, in our town and cities, in the marine environment, where people live work or spend their leisure time. Capital grants must create a natural asset; a flower rich meadows or verges, a community orchard, or removal of non-native species or other threats to nature to allow native species to recover. Please note that capital grants may not be used for core staff costs, or the maintenance, replacement or upkeep activities in existing spaces. All projects must have a funded plan to maintain the asset long term. For more information on capital grants please refer to the NLHF guidance on their website.

3. Hywel Dda University Health Board

May newsletter. Including Covid-19 update, Welsh Ambulance Service survey and Learning Disabilities Wales resource page.

21. Bills for Payment

RESOLVED that the following accounts be paid:

SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS			22nd June 2020	
Cheque/ BACS no.	Payee	Details	Cost (inc VAT) £	
100504	Emma Smith	Salary (Jun)	128.00	
100505	HMRC	PAYE (Jun)	32.00	
100506	One Voice Wales	Membership 20/21	42.00	
DD	ICO	Data Protection Fee	35.00	

22. Planning Matters

None.

23. To discuss the ongoing coronavirus situation and its impact on the community and council.

Council were satisfied that support had been and was continuing to be provided to the community at this time. The situation would be monitored over the coming months.

24. To confirm date of next meeting.

The next meeting will be held on 8th September 2020 at 7pm. Location TBC depending on coronavirus regulations.

25. Any other business (exchange of information only)

- (i) County Councillor Dorian Phillips asked for support for the Llanboidy Calor Gas fund application. The Clerk would share the details on the village page on social media.
- (ii) Cllr A Wells enquired who was responsible for maintaining the ground at the chapel.

Meeting terminated 19.57