# Minutes of the meeting of Llangynin Community Council held in Neuadd y Bryn, Llangynin on 10<sup>th</sup> March 2020 at 7.30pm.

#### Present:

Councillors Ellen Durell, Philip Morgan, Alison Wells, Pamela Windsor and County Councillor Dorian Phillips (item 96 onwards)

In the Chair - Councillor Alison Wells

### 89. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillors John Lewis and Helen Myers.

#### 90. Personal Matters

None.

#### 91. Declarations of Interest

None.

## 92. Minutes of the last meeting.

(i) RESOLVED that the minutes of the meetings of Council held on 14<sup>th</sup> January 2020 be approved and signed as a correct record.

## 93. Matters Arising

No matters arising.

## 94. Clerk's Report.

## 1. Carmarthenshire County Council

- (i) From the Chair of Council, Cllr Kevin Madge. Letter of thanks for the Walrus Dip sponsorship on behalf of Llangynin Community Council from County Councillor Dorian Phillips.
- (ii) Carmarthenshire County Council. The County Council would like to hear your views on its proposals. In total, 14 proposals are listed for comment, and will be considered alongside other 'managerial' options such as procurement arrangements, staffing structures and internal/back office functions. Go to: carmarthenshire.gov.wales//consultations by 28<sup>th</sup> January 2020
- (iii) **18 March 2020** Carmarthenshire Community & Town Council Conference in Parc y Scarlets, Llanelli (all day) Further details will be circulated in due course.

#### 2. One Voice Wales

Opportunity for the Chair to be entered into a draw to win tickets to a Buckingham Palace Garden Party.

#### 3. Welsh Government

(i) Welsh Index of Multiple Deptivation 2019. WIMD is the official

measure of relative deprivation for small areas in Wales. It identifies areas with the highest concentrations of several different types of deprivation. The main purpose of the Index is to provide the evidence needed about the most deprived areas of Wales to inform a variety of decisions, such as funding or targeting of programmes and services for local areas. WIMD ranks all small areas in Wales from 1 (most deprived) to 1,909 (least deprived). The documentation can be found here: https://gov.wales/welsh-index-multiple-deprivation

(ii) Welsh Government consultation: A More Equal Wales - Commencing the Socio-economic Duty. The consultation closes on the 17 January 2020.

https://gov.wales/equality-act-2010-commencing-socio-economic-duty

It will require specified public bodies, when making strategic decisions such as 'deciding priorities and setting objectives', to consider how their decisions might help to reduce the inequalities associated with socio-economic disadvantage.

RESOLVED that Council note the all the correspondence received.

# 95. Planning Matters

(i) The revised draft of Carmarthenshire's Local Development plan was considered. **RESOLVED that no comments be made on the revised draft.** 

County Councillor Dorian Phillips arrived at this point in the meeting.

## 96. County Councillor's Update

- (i) The County Councillor confirmed that the recycling centre at Whitland would remain open.
- (ii) A meeting regarding broadband would be held on the 25<sup>th</sup> March 2020, to look at rural broadband speeds etc.
- (iii) Carmarthenshire County Council's car parking charges will be increased 20p from April 2020.

# 97. Bills for Payment

# RESOLVED that the following accounts be paid:

SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS		10th March 2020	
Cheque/ BACS no.	Payee	Details	Cost (inc VAT) £
100498	Emma Smith	Salary (Mar)	128.00
100499	HMRC	PAYE (Mar)	32.00
100500	Emma Smith	Reimbursement*	54.15
100501	St Clears Town Council	Printing Costs	23.48
100502	Carmarthenshire County Council	Footway lighting charges	812.83
100503	Wales Audit Office	Audit fees 18/19	258.75

## 98. To consider a Risk Assessment for the Council.

The Clerk presented a risk assessment for consideration by Council.

Amendments had been made to the previous version to include the need

for weekly checks on the defibrillator. **RESOLVED that the Risk** Assessment be approved by Council.

## 99. To receive an update on community speed checks in the village.

The community speed watch signs were now back with Council. They would be altered to become freestanding signs that could be put on display when speed checks were in place. Training for the remaining volunteers was being arranged with Go Safe Partnership.

# 100. To consider the Wales Audit Office's consultation for future audit arrangements.

RESOLVED that a response be sent from Council rejecting the proposals on the grounds of the additional work and fees not being proportional to the size and budget of Llangynin Community Council.

## 101. To discuss footpath signs and footpath maintenance.

- (i) Footpath signs in the village were faded and becoming difficult to see, it was reported. **RESOLVED that the condition of the signs be reported to the County Council**.
- (ii) Barbed wire had been removed from the footpath passing though Blossom House.
- (iii) Footpath maintenance would be reviewed in the May meeting when the spring growth had started.

## 102. To confirm the date of the next meeting.

The next meeting of Council would be on the **12**<sup>th</sup> **May 2020 at 7pm.** Please note the earlier start time.

### 103. Any other business (exchange of information only)

- (i) Cllr Pam Windsor reported a flickering streetlight in the village, the number of the column would be forwarded to the Clerk.
- (ii) Cllr Ellen Durell queried if the road at Trem y Cwm had been adopted by Carmarthenshire County Council.
- (iii) Cllr Pam Windsor noted problems with potholes in the village.

Meeting terminated 20.15