

LLANDINAM COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Minutes of Meeting
held in Llandinam Village Hall
on Wednesday 30th January 2019 at 7:30p.m.

Chairman	Cllr Colin Owen	√	Cllr Jackie Deakins	A
Vice Chairman	Cllr Andy Owen	√	Cllr Mike Jones	√
	Cllr Mike Brennan	√	Cllr Karl Lewis	√
	Cllr Michael Davies	√	Cllr Linda Savage	A
	Cllr Roche Davies	√	Cllr Jon Sloan	√

√ Present X Not Present A Apology for Absence

In Attendance: Local Residents: T Jones, C Woosnam; T Jones, K Jodds (2); M & C Wilson

1. Apologies for Absence – Cllr J Deakins; Cllr L Savage
 Welcome members of the public, who were attending in relation to Planning and consultation issues.

2. Declarations of Interest by Councillors on any items on the Agenda
 Standing declaration of interest from Cllr K Lewis on all planning matters; Cllr C Owen declared an interest in respect of applications 11,12,14,16,17; JS – 10; RD -13.

Respective Cllrs left the meeting whilst the relevant applications were discussed

3. Planning Applications
 1. Mr Mrs Wilson addressed the meeting with concerns relating to the Glasdir Planting scheme (which does not require a formal Planning Application):
 - (a) Density and nature of planting – forestry NOT woodland
 - (b) Monoculture – not environmentally friendly for habitat creation
 - (c) Location – very prominent location on the top of the hills which is open access land (a designation which will be lost, since the regulations demand the planting needs fencing)
 - (d) Visibility – visual impairment of an iconic local landscape feature
 - (e) The location was not the initial priority choice
 - (f) Damage to the environment – substantial areas of peat which captures carbon; any disturbance will lead to carbon release which will have a negative impact.
 - (g) Chemical use – for weed control on previously virgin, untouched land and water courses which support a habitat for Otters in addition to other local wildlife
 - (h) Process and Public Consultation – this is an application which will have significant impact for local people, however no public meeting has been held or is planned; as a statutory consultee, the Community Council should have been consulted on the revised plans. What plans are in place for stewardship after the planting is completed? A copy of the required Phase 1 habitat assessment has not been provided.

The Community Council shared the concerns listed above and felt strongly that a consultation should be undertaken by NRW in Llandinam Village Hall to enable the

community to understand the plans and potential impacts.

2. T Jones addressed the meeting in relation to Planning Application **18/1130/FUL** – erection of 100 caravans at Mid Wales Golf Centre, Moat Lane.
 - (a) ENVIRONMENTAL: Totally out of character with the natural historic landscape
 - (b) DRAINAGE: Concerns regarding the extensive use of concrete for bases for the vans, which will impact visually and on drainage
 - (c) ROAD ACCESS – from the busy main road with a 50mph speed limit onto a country lane. Potential accident hazard. It was noted that the Traffic census undertaken in connection with the application were undertaken in October – traffic is significantly greater in the busy Summer months. The road is also a designated cycle route, increased motor traffic could have impacts on safety. The road is too narrow.
 - (d) RUBBISH : concerns voiced about increased volumes of litter
 - (e) PROCESS: Concern that any decision will be made by the Principal Planning Office acting independently without having visited the site to understand the setting

The Council shared the concerns outlined above and has already responded in similar terms to Powys Planning Department. **APPLICATION NOT SUPPORTED.**

18/0374/FUL – Land at Little London; concerns raised in connection with this Application – principally relating to the fact that there is NO existing rural enterprise upon which the application for a dwelling can be connected. There was also general concerns relating to the way the land is currently being used with obsolete cars, mobile homes etc creating an eyesore in the local area.

The Council concurred with the concerns raised and the Application was **NOT SUPPORTED.** A response had already been forwarded to Powys Planning to this effect.

18/0987/FUL – Maesmawr Farm Resort – an additional 30 static caravan derived holiday lodges. Concerns raised included: lack of supporting infrastructure – road access, drainage; visual impact within a designated historic landscape; Environmental impacts – loss of natural habitat, flooding, light pollution. Powys Planning to be advised of such concerns.

Application 18/0987/FUL falls within the Caersws demesne and as such Llandinam CC is not on the consultation list; however, given the proximity of the Maesmawr estate with the ward boundary the Clerk had contacted Powys CC and the Clerk at Caersws in order to request an exchange of information on both applications for Moat Lane, since each would potentially impact residents in both Llandinam and Caersws.

18/0970/LBC – extension, Craigfryn	SUPPORTED
18/1066/FUL – dwellinghouse, land at Oakdale	SUPPORTED
18/1155/LBC – Listed building consent, Broneirion	SUPPORTED
19/0054/FUL – Erection of Agric building, Tyn-yr-wtra	SUPPORTED subject to preservation of existing public right of way
19/0078/FUL <u>AND</u> 18/1154/FUL – Biomass Boiler, Broneirion	SUPPORTED

Those Councillors who had expressed an interest rejoined the meeting.

A public comment was made that it was a concern and disadvantage that as Head of Planning, Cllr Lewis was not able to support/represent local Residents who voted for him in terms of planning applications. Cllr Lewis stated that in some instances due to his social/business connections with applicants, irrespective of his position as Head of Planning for Powys CC, he would still be unable to take part in certain discussions. Cllr Brennan suggested that it might be helpful if Cllr Lewis could arrange for constituent deputy to support/advise generally on planning issues. Cllr Lewis concurred and will suggest a list of potential Councillors who could be made available to assist.

4. Minutes from the previous meeting of 28 November 2018 were signed and approved.
5. Continuing Business:
 - a) The Lion PH – nothing further to report
 - b) Housing Development – nothing further to report
 - c) Community Council Car park – nothing further to report; outstanding works deferred until Spring.
 - d) Cemetery – review of rules and fees to be deferred until next meeting.
 - e) Play area
 - I. Friends Group – Cllr Deakins happy to assist, but not to lead; Cllr KL to seek parents support at School Parents Meeting
 - II. Cllr AO has obtained a quote from a contractor. At least two further quotations to be sought. Clerk has obtained specimen tender documents from another Community Council and having been advised that Caersws are also planning Playground works, Clerk to contact Clerk at Caersws for further information and to explore the idea of a joint-tender process.
 - f) Highways
 - I. A query raised by a member of the public in attendance as to whether Powys CC will provide a new salt bin? Cllr Lewis advised they would not provide additional new bins.
Discussion ensued regarding the quantity of salt-v-grit mix left in piles by the roadside. Without a bin to keep it in the rain dissolves the salt and the residual grit is a potential skid hazard. Some discussion as to whether an increase in the salt content would help, but given it dissolves in the rain, it would seem this would not solve the issue.
 - II. Road sweeping – lots of rubbish in New Chapel and LLidiartywaen highlighted by Cllr A Owen. Cllr Lewis has reported to D Jarman and P Woosencroft.
 - III. Leak issues – Cllr C Owen to report to contact at Severn Trent.
 - IV. Stones and water flooding out near Maesmawr Resort – Cllr Lewis to report to D Jarman (as above).
 - V. The success of the works at Cobblers gate in terms of pathway, pipe and stone was noted.
 - g) War memorial
 - a) KL no further progress in relation to the proposed enhancement works; KL to speak to the Colonel again.
 - b) The grant funding is available until Oct 2019.
6. Review of Correspondence

- Quotation for grass cutting for 2019 received from Powys CC. Quotation to be accepted.
- Governor for Llandinam School – Cllr Brennan volunteered his services.
- Committee member for Llandinam Village Hall – Cllr Brennan volunteered his services.
- Health & Safety Training – Cllr C Owen to attend; Cllr AO to chair next Council meeting which falls on the same date.

7. Finance

Receipts – Powys CC Recycling; £130 – Memorial Stone, P Jones.

Payments

(a) Payments

- K&S Toilets - £52.90 Nov and £52.90 Dec - approved
- Clerks Salary and expenses - approved
- Powys CC Grass cutting 2018 - £2439.60 - approved

8. Any other relevant business at the discretion of the Chairman

- Concern registered that signatures are obscured in relation to Planning objections
- Concern registered in relation to cuts to Breakfast Clubs by Powys CC as a result of budgetary constraints.

9. Information from Members - Nothing additional

10. Public Comments/Questions – raised during meeting as above.

11. Date of Next meeting – Wednesday 27th February 2019

MEETING CLOSED 22.00