LLANDINAM COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting held at Llandinam Village Hall on 27th October 2021 at 7:00p.m.

Chairman	Cllr Andy Owen	٧	Cllr Jackie Deakins	٧
Vice Chairman	Cllr Linda Savage	٧	Cllr Mike Jones	٧
	Cllr Mike Brennan	٧	Cllr Tricia Jones	Α
	Cllr Michael Davies	٧	Cllr Karl Lewis	٧
	Cllr Roche Davies	٧	Cllr Colin Owen	٧

√ Present X Not Present A Apology for Absence

- 1. Apologies for Absence TJ;
- 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 29th September 2021. Approved.

4. **INTERVIEWS:**

7.15pm - LH

7.45pm – GG (DNS – email of apology received, child sick)

8.15pm - JT

8.45pm – JS (WITHDREW from process)

Both candidates (LH and JT) gave impressive interviews. Ultimately the Councillors voted to appoint JT to the role of Clerk/RFO, which she has subsequently accepted. (YJE has arranged to conduct a formal handover on Wednesday 3rd November 2021. Thereafter JT will attend the Council Meeting on 24th November 2021 whereupon her appointment will be ratified, contract signed and she will commence her role as Clerk)

5. Continuing Business

- (a) Car Park
 - 4 Additional "No overnight parking" signs have been erected. Thanks to KL and AO for their efforts. An email of thanks has been received from local resident.
 - It has been noted that a driver has been seen doing wheel-spins to both Car Parks. Councillors will be keeping a watchful eye out for the protagonist!
- (b) Cemetery/Church
 - Some remedial works to footpath has been undertaken and fence repaired
 - Further discussions have been had regarding overhanging tree
- (c) Play Area
 - Inspection still outstanding
 - Still awaiting quotations in respect of PH2
 - Clerk has received note of acknowledgement of new installation from Insurance Company
 - Disappointingly it has been noticed that some dog owners are failing to clear up after their dogs. Councillors to undertake spot checks.
- (d) Highways
 - Flashing speed signs given the lack of response from repeated requests to local authorities, Councillors resolved to make an offer to fund 50% of the costs for a sign to be installed. KL to pursue again.

- Bridge works completed to a basic safety level; perceived shabby appearance is due to the fact that pressure washing is not permitted above a watercourse; and without cleaning, painting cannot ensue.
- KL informed the meeting that the street lighting is now back on, both on Trunk Road and in Village
- T sign for Cwm Road still awaited
- Request for additional Junction signs has been refused, since the signs need to be spaced at regulation distance
- Skid sign and speed camera signs have been removed
- It was noted that the mirror (Lowgate, by Blacksmiths Corner) has gone. Many residents have commented as to how the mirror (privately owned) was a real help.
- Concern raised about a stream cutting into the road edge (used as a passing place) and the hazard this presents to road users. CJ is aware, but considered of "low priority" and has to await its turn in terms of remedial works list.
- (e) War Memorial
 - Hedge has been cut. Thanks to KL
 - Wreath has been offered by local resident; AO to lay this year on behalf of the Council.
- 6. **Planning: (KL left the room) APPLICATION REF 21.1792/FUL;** it was noted that this matter has been before the Council previously; whilst sympathetic to "One Planet" developments, the uncontrolled development of disparate buildings on site is considered to be a blight on the local landscape and out of character with the area by Councillors. The Application was therefore: NOT SUPPORTED.
- 7. **Review of Correspondence** Insurance update as noted above.
- 8. Finance
 - VAT payment still unresolved;

Receipts – Interment £225.00

Payments

- Clerk's salary and expenses (Sep)
- Brookes & Sons (signs-carpark) £414.72 (inc VAT)
 ALL RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS APPROVED
- 9. Any other business at discretion of the Chairman.
 - Old printer to be scrapped; Clerk to update Asset Register
 - Noted that Laptop may soon be due for replacement (bought 2012 and slow)
 - Deeds storage. May need to be placed in a Depository, in meantime will be passed to new Clerk for safe-keeping.
- 10. **Information from members** A Vote of Thanks was proposed for the outgoing Clerk, who was presented with a beautiful bouquet of flowers in acknowledgement of her efforts in the role.
- 11. Public comments/questions None present.
- 12. Date of Next Meeting: 24th November 2021 at Llandinam VH. MEETING CLOSED 20.06