

Minutes of the Meeting of Llanarmon-yn-Iâl Community Council

Held St Garmon Church School Room, Llanarmon-yn-Iâl Wednesday 4th February 2009, 7.30 pm

- 1. Present:** Glenys Roberts (Chair), Martyn Holland (Vice Chair), Cllrs Glenys Jones, Carol Robinson, Christine Evans, Bob Barton, Haydn Jones, Rupert Lloyd, Norma Wright (Clerk)
- Apologies:** Paul Burkhill, Andrew Roberts
- 2. Meeting Open to The Public** Two members of the public attended. Dunkin & Jenny Parks. Mr Parks offered to make available the name www.llanarmon.com and informed the council that the address www.llanarmon-yn-ial.com was also available at the moment. He volunteered to be the web master, providing the information for publication is made available for him to include on the community council's page. The Council sincerely thanked Mr. Parks, and following a vote and discussion, it was agreed that the Council would accept his offer. The Council voted 7 in favour 1 abstained to continue with this venture.
C Robinson will contact Mr. Parks to develop the web page further. Members of the Council agreed to forward ideas for the contents of the page and how it could be developed, directly to C Robinson.
The Chair instructed B Barton to stop talking over people, and apologized on his behalf to Mr. Mrs. Parks.
- 3. Confirmation of Minutes** The Minutes of the General Meeting held on 7th January 2009, were confirmed as a correct and true record. Proposed: Carol Robinson Seconded: Haydn Jones. Chair signed.
In order to save time and prevent the meetings taking so long, all Councillors received copies of the minutes before the meeting by email or post. Everyone was asked to inform the Clerk in advance of any amendments required.
B Barton complained that the minutes had only reached him on one of his web addresses and not all three The Council asked only one web address to be used in future; this is now cllrbobbarton@tiscali.co.uk Therefore, there were amendments he wished to make. i The Clerk should always use the full name of Llanarmon-yn-Ial and not shorted it to just Llanarmon. ii The printing/publishing costs of the Llanarmon-yn-Ial Newsletter should be amended to 1p a copy. Although, it stated approximate on the costings in the minutes.
Members of the Council stopped B Barton and informed the Chair they were all more than happy with the minutes and disagreed with B Barton 'picking' at them. He was instructed to stop wasting time.
The Council agreed to accept the practice of commenting on the minutes in advance. The aim is to free more time for the Council to attend to more items on the agenda, as the Clerk will continue to leave at 9.30pm.
- 4. Matters Arising** 1. B Barton stated that he had read Councillors emails concerning their views on retrospective planning applications. Council stated although there had been emails concerning the council's planning replies; this should be requested to be put as an agenda item not as matters arising. Council insisted that there should be no further interruptions.
- 5. Declaration of Interest**
- 15/2009/0063/PF G Roberts declared an interest - the applicant being a neighbour. She took no part in the discussion or vote.
 - C Robinson declared an interest in the Canolfan Dewi Sant Centre as a member of the Management Committee.
- 6. Precept & Headings** Following a long debate the Council discussed further, the detailed expenditure headings/payments for the Precept. Welsh Assembly formula for S137 payments will be £6.15 per elector for 2009-10.
- Authorisation of Payments & Financial Matters** The Council studied the budget information circulated from Canolfan Dewi Sant Centre. It was agreed that although financial help from LCC was initially to be temporary, it was appreciated that running-costs have risen sharply and if not assisted then there was a real possibility of losing such a great asset. The Council considered this and voted to make a grant of £1200 to assist with the insurance costs.
The Council accepted the estimated costs of £12.99 plus £22 +VAT for the Web Page Project (Although several members were prepared to personally pay for this project. The Chair thanked the Councillors for this kind gesture. C Evans paid the £25.30 to renew both domain names).
The Council agreed the payment of the following: -
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| 054 | £140.00 | B Hughes Maintenance work to bus shelter |
| 055 | £337.00 | TCC Clerk salary (Nov) |
| 056 | £10.00 | Capel Bethel Rhiw Ial rent for meeting (Office Expenses) |
| 057 | £381.34 | WCBC Clerk salary |
| Credit | £10 | Rent H Jones Bankey Fields |
| | £10 | Rent G Jones Tyn Llan |
| | £600 | Burial fee M Thomas |

7. Improving Communication with the Public

C Robinson had produced 20 hard copies, plus copies via emails to her database, as a trail version of a newsletter. This was for discussion, improvements or ideas. Council sincerely thanked C Robinson for her effort and hard work, and for agreeing to continue being the editor of the LCC Newsletter. She agreed to accept an input from the Council as a whole; as both the newsletter and the web page went hand in hand to improving communication with the public. It was agreed that a quarterly publication could include a synopsis of the minutes of the meetings, along with items from farmers, school children, the gardening club, Canolfan Dewi Sant Centre, Police information etc. B Barton stated that Rhyl Community Agency Group could print copies cheaply 1p a copy approx. C Robinson will consider this closer to the time of full a publication. B Barton stated he was annoyed with the procedure so far, as he wanted a greater input, as he has experience and computer knowledge. He had wanted everyone in the parish to receive the first newsletter. B Barton was informed; it was not at the final stages yet. He wished it minuted that he claimed copyrights on the photographs that he had provided. Stating they were too old and not to be used in further published newsletters.

Council requested that B Barton stopped interrupting. C Evans wished it to be minuted that Llanarmon yn Ial was not B Barton’s fiefdom. That he should offer advice only and not try to continually take over C Robinson’s role as editor.

8. Planning

15/2009/0063/PF Erection of livestock /agricultural store building at land opp. Perthi Chwarae, Llandegla Road Llanarmon. Council felt, as the land was not attached to a farm development, the building was too large for the small acreage of land. **Not Supported.**

15/2009/0048/PF erection of two storey extension to side of dwelling, Cherry Cottage, Graianrhyd Llanarmon Road. **Supported.**

9. Correspondence

- 1. Leaflets on D.C.C. House Proud Scheme - this is to help vulnerable home-owners (people over 60 yrs or disabled) to access home improvements to their properties safe in the knowledge that the works are being carried out by reputable builders, being supervised by D.C.C.
- 2. Information of Kidney Wales Walk For Life, takes place on 29th March 40 walks in Wales.
- 3. Information on Nightingale House Hospice Ladies, 10 miles Night Walk 27th June.

10. Police Report

C Evans will attend a meeting on 5th Febraruay with the Police Officer. The Police are requesting that people do not leave valuables in their cars, as several car windows have been smashed in the village. In addition, the registration number of a suspicious white transit van has been reported to the Community Police Officer. C Evans will gain and update on this matter.

Meetings Attended

- 1. Town & Country Council Cluster Meeting Thursday 19th March 7pm G Roberts & N Wright will attend.

11. Risk Assessments

- 1. Clerk requested the return ASAP of the Risk Assessments files: Llanarmon - B Barton, Eryrys - A Roberts, Graianrhyd - P Burkhill. Now overdue and required for the auditors.

12. Other Matters Brought to Councillors’ Attention

- 1. As our County Councillor C Evans confirmed that members of the Community Council had contacted her directly with a list of highway problems, and she had contacted D.C.C. Highways Dept. to request: - the bank of slurry that has built up on the roadside between Graianrhyd and Highgate was cleared away. In addition, several potholes had been reported around the village.
 - 2. As County Cllr, C Evan had held a surgery Saturday 24th January. The next will be 28th February 10.30am-12noon, in Capel Bethel Rhiw Ial, Llanarmon. Community Councillors P Burkhill will attend for Graianrhyd, C Robinson for Eryrys, and M Holland for Llanarmon.
 - 3. Proposed building improvement work St Garmon Church School Room, Llanarmon-yn-Iâl
- There was no time left in the meeting to discuss these matters

13. Hedd Ardd/ Playing Field

14. Date of Next Meeting

7.30pm Wednesday 4th March 2009 at Canolfan Dewi Sant Centre, Eryrys
Meeting ended 9.35p.m.

Chair.....

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