

**7<sup>th</sup> February 2024 7pm Ordinary Meeting of Llanarmon yn Ial Community Council****Canolfan Dewi Sant and via Zoom**

**1. Ymddiheuriadau /Present:** Susan Jones (Chair) Darren Pollard (Vice Chair) Kevin Ford, Hannah Munro, Trevor Brand, Zoom Norma Wright (Clerk) 4 public Members: Natalie Jones, Doug Macpherson, Toby, Brian Jones  
**Apologies:** Simon Kane (health). Simon Garrett (work), Richard Rogers (work)

**2. Meeting Open to the Public & Press for 10 minutes:** Zoom code available from Clerk to join meeting.

a) Residents stated they are concerned about planning application 15/2022/0378 (33 dwellings, Llanarmon). LCC replied that as previously agreed (public formal request) the council had reviewed its comments to DCC and at this stage the original comments remain the same.

Following a discussion, only the amended plans will be on March's Agenda; even though those plans had been reviewed in January. Council re-stated this application will have many documents added before going to DCC Planning Committee, and may not be placed on the LCC agenda each time. The public can continue to add their comments to the DCC portal.

b) Request for DCC speed restrictions to 20mph and signs at Ysgol Bro Famau, School Lane.

c) Residents had questions for County Councillor Terry Mendies, who answered them via the telephone and email. He stated that although he chooses not to attend LCC meetings, he is still working-hard for the community, and is fully aware of the planning application 15/2022/0378.

**3. Declaration of Interest & Gifts:**

S Jones declared a family interest in planning 15/2022/0378 (D Pollard Chairs when council discusses this).

**4. Read and Confirmation of Minutes:** Read and confirm the Minutes of the General Meeting held

**3<sup>rd</sup> January 2024. Resolve:** Confirmed and accepted as a true and correct record by the Council. Prop: K Ford Sec: D Pollard. Council voted in favour. There were no votes against or abstentions and the motion was carried.

**5. Matters arising from those minutes not on the agenda:** Several councillors and ex-councillors had received scam emails. In response the Clerk temporarily stopped using the council email address; until confirmed that it held no virus.

**6. Cllr Terry Mendies Report:** Progress had been made with individual's personal issues within our community; which needed to remain confidential. Terry had dealt with many community issues including planning and the parking projects in Llanarmon and Eryrys. Although, the quarry in Graianrhyd had now closed, he is still confident in gaining stone for the projects.

**7. Planning:** Members should view the applications prior to the meeting on Denbighshire County Council's website: <https://www.denbighshire.gov.uk/en/resident/planning-and-building-regulations/search-and-comment-on-applications>

**15/2022/0378 33 dwellings, Llanarmon.** Discuss the subject of the amended plans at the March meeting.

**15/2023/0893 17 Maes Gynnan, Llanarmon.** Erection of single storey side extension and alteration 'Lawful development Certificate' **Resolve:** No Objections.

**15/2017/0173/ Engine House At Former Nant Lead Mine , Eryrys** Restoration and conversion of engine house and erection of extension within footprint of former boiler house to form 1 no. dwelling and associated works; including new access track (Listed Building application) **Resolve:** No Objection.

**15/2023/0911 Parc Farm Caravan Park Graianrhyd Road, Llanarmon-Yn-Ial:** Erection of reception and leisure building comprising of reception offices, swimming pool, changing rooms, fitness suite, cafeteria, restaurant, bars and kitchen. Formation of parking, installation of package treatment plant, land-scaping and associated works  
Chair had seen a pre-application for this planning, but then due to difficulties in LCC forming a quorum the community council had not previously formally commented on 15/2023/0911 planning application. This application had not been displayed in Llanarmon Shop as stated; but it had been displayed in the Rose & Crown Pub in Graianrhyd. Some of the individual names mentioned supporting the plans were incorrect. **Resolve:** No objections.  
LCC acknowledge there would be an increase in traffic, needing clear road signage.

If local village residents were allowed to use the facilities such as the swimming pool it could be considered a community asset. The annual August Bank Holiday loud festival was a concern; if this grew as Parc Farm have bought more land to further expand.

**8. Finance Matters, Accounts, and Schedule of payments:** D Pollard had checked the bank statements against all transactions on all accounts they were correct and signed. S Jones confirmed authorisation for internet banking / card payments and balances and all transactions were correct and sheets were signed. Main Account £26,180.63  
Fireworks £1,570.72 Project Account £9,242.89

**Resolve:** Confirmed and accepted as a true and correct record. Prop: D Pollard Sec: K Ford. Council voted in favour. There were no votes against or abstentions and the motion was carried Council voted to authorise the following payments schedule;

£5.80	HSBC charges
£34.20	Jones & Graham (Payroll services)
£624.93	Clerk Pay February
£125.60	HMRC Feb
£369.95	White Oak various maintenance
£54.00	MFS CCTV (call out invoice)

Precept received £7480.00:

## 9. Maintenance

1. Councillors were very pleased with both the quality and design of the new shelter in Graianrhyd Community Field, thanks go to Gwyndaff Jones for his excellent work.
2. White Oak Services had been attending to various maintenance work as-and-when the weather permitted.
3. Concerning the biodiversity of the community Kevin Ford had been in contact with Vickie Wood at Plantlife Organisation looking for wild flower seeds; but advised not to spread wild flower seed in the hedgerows as it may unbalance the rare grasses and natural habitat found locally. He had contacted AONB Sustainable Development Fund; although no money left for 2024 Clerk wrote for funding when available.
4. Reports of a stolen tree in Llanarmon Playing field – but the council had instructed White Oak to remove and replant the apple tree from the small car park; Clerk will investigate.
5. Reports of dogs chasing sheep by escaping under the Llanarmon field fence. Council are not responsible for dog's behaviour, but will arrange for the bottom of the fences to be blocked off where possible.

**10. Llanarmon Parking** The field at **Maes Awelon, Llanarmon** – Cllr T Mendies met with the Chapel committee and LCC D Pollard. Following gaining drawings and quotations for creating the parking area, he will enquire about possible funding and planning permission for change of use. The Chapel members will endeavour to find some funds to enable this field to be used for parking. D Pollard will ask about plans/drawings for Maes Awelon.

**11. CAER ODYN, Eryrys parking area:** Still waiting for quotations for this work to progress.

**Hen Ardd, Eryrys parking area:** D Pollard confirmed the drawings for the intended parking area at Hen Ardd had been sent to the Clerk; these will be sent to the required agencies.

**12. Dates:** a) Darren Millar will be attending the Community Council meeting 3rd April.

b) Confirmed One Voice Wales, Code of Conduct training was completed by Trevor Brand 24.1.24

c) Clerk attending Planning Aid Wales 'Strategic Development Planning' 28.2.24 also

Email & Website training 29.2.24 6.30pm and AGAR & Year End Accounts 29.2.24 1pm

**13. Gohebiaethau / Correspondence: Councillors agreed appropriate correspondence had been previously forwarded by the Clerk during the course of the month.**

a. Notice of a temporary traffic order to close B5431 Llanarmon for fibre cabling work by Openreach from 26<sup>th</sup> Feb until 1<sup>st</sup> March. Unfortunately, this makes a long diversion to gain access to the village as shown on the map.

b. Emails received from N Jones concerning 15/2022/0378 Llanarmon planning applications.

c. As DCC are planting many native trees locally on the highway verge; because Ash dieback has resulted in many trees needing being cut down. Requested, to contact DCC and if it was possible for both our community and residents to have trees to plant.

d. DCC Ruthin Archives are looking for volunteers to catalogue old council documents.

e. DCC issued notices outlining planned improvements at Loggerheads Country Park and Moel Famau.

f. DCC notified of plans to reduce the library opening hours.

- g. D CC had sent out details of gritting arrangements for gritting the roads in the area over winter. DCC information
- h. Welsh Governments Section 137 allowances for 2024/25 has increased to £10.81 per elector.
- i. Audit Wales 2024-25 Audit Fees scheme had arrived.

**14. Unrhyw fater arall / other Matters Brought to Councillor/Representatives Attention:**

- 1. Complaints about speeding traffic on School Lane, Llanarmon, as it's the main walking route to the school from the village plus the pathway is obstructed. Clerk will contact T Mendies.
- 2. Council really concerned about the general poor road surfaces and quantity of potholes.

**15. Meetings: All minutes are 'draft' until signed off by the Chair.** Next Ordinary Meeting of the Council will be held at 7pm on Wednesday 6th March 2024 at Canolfan Dewi Sant and via Zoom.

Meeting ended 8.20pm

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