

**6<sup>th</sup> March 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, Simon Garrett, Norma Wright (Clerk) 3 public Members: Hugo Watts, Toby, Brian Jones

**Apologies:** Simon Kane (health), Richard Rogers (work) Trevor Brand

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

a) H Watts reported Woodpeckers have hollowed out the electric pole in the Maes Y Droell Cemetery. **Action:** Clerk will report this to Scottish Power. (Ref 326586)

b) B Jones concerned about conifers overhanging and encroaching on School Lane, Eryrys, as this is making it difficult for passing farm machinery. **Action:** Clerk will report to DCC.

c) Toby stated to listen to discussion of the planning application 15/2022/0378.

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

S Jones declared a family interest in planning 15/2022/0378 and left the building (D Pollard Chaired when council discussed this). S Jones declared an interest in family member owning G Jones & Sons (builder of the shelter).

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

**7<sup>th</sup> February 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: Parc Farm Caravan Park Graianrhyd Road,**

**Llanarmon-Yn-Ial:** The annual August Bank Holiday loud festival is a concern, especially if this grows in popularity with Parc Farm buying more land to further expand. **Action:** Cllr T Mendies confirmed he will find details concerning the issuing of the licence.

**6. Cllr Terry Mendies Report: Parc Farm planning application 15/2023/0911** for 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. The replacement clubhouse will be situated where the touring caravans are at present, and will not be seen from the road or village. Concerns raised with Vale regarding the lack of a "Stop" sign at the entrance.

**Planning application 15/2022/0378 33 dwellings, Llanarmon;** Even though a revised application has been submitted, the problem of phosphates remains. I have spoken to Welsh Water and they have no plans to upgrade the Waste Water Treatment Plant for 4 years, which can only facilitate another 10 homes prior the upgrade.

**The Burley Hill Garage application** has been referred back to the Planning Officer; because the application is to park 3 buses. However, there are 9 buses parked there and 1 truck. The operator's licence he will endeavour to source the aggregate at cost or below. **Waste Collection Changes** As from 3<sup>rd</sup> June there will be a new system with the rollout of new trollibocs. Residents will receive a leaflet; there are copies in the village shop.

**School Lane Pavement.** I have once again been reported on the C360 system.

**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.** Council discussed the amended plan, and then reviewed its previous comments to DCC. Agreed the infrastructure will need to be addressed, and the problem of phosphates remains; as Welsh Water has no plans to upgrade the Waste Water Treatment Plant for 4 years. It was fully acknowledged that everyone in the community is entitled to express their concerns. **Resolve:** Agreed that at this stage the Council's original comments will remain the same.

**15/2024/0090 Fron Deg, Eryrys.** Erection of single and 2 storey extension, raising the roof ridge height and landscaping. **Resolve:** Supported.

**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.

Council agreed that after transferring the various required repayments and donations into their correct accounts, which due to the Main Account not earning any interest the Clerk will move £15,000 into the deposit (Project) account to gain interest; until the funds are required. **Resolve:** Confirmed and accepted. 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;

£204.00	One Voice Wales membership (cheque)
£5.00	HSBC Dec-Jan (taken 21st Feb)
£1.72	HSBC charges
£5.80	HSBC Jan-Feb (taken 21 <sup>st</sup> March)
£624.93	Clerk Pay March
£125.60	HMRC March
£2882.55	G Jones & Sons Graianrhyd Shelter (labour)
£552.00	SPA Davies Graianrhyd Shelter
£128.97	B+Q (3xCommunity flasks)
£264.00	Canolfan Dewi Sant (Annual rent)
£62.89	Webroot virus protector
£120.00	S Price Maes y Droell Cemetery name plaque
£166.92	Brundel Engraving (bench plaques 2x St Garmon's, 1 Maes y Droell)
£14.57	Viking (black ink)
£415.46	Clerk Expenses (annual office, phones, miles, dog bags etc)
£114.50	G Jones & Sons Graianrhyd Shelter (labour)
£94.99	Ligo Jabra Speaker for Zoom meetings
£207.00	St Garmon's Memorial Garden Plants
£3.85	Repayment for Vis8
£180.00	Returned to Dowell Brothers (paid into LCC in error for Church service)

Council agreed for ease of understanding to the following transfers in each account;-

£15,000 transferred from 8680 main to 3981 project account for Llanarmon Field to gain interest.

£100.00 transferred from 8680 main to 3981 project account tractor donation for skate park event.

£593.40 transferred from 8680 main to 3981 project account for Youth Club Funds.

£2150.00 transferred from 3981 to 8680 for the Graianrhyd Shelter (this is the public amount raised for that project).

Council agreed to be included in this year's accounts, the purchasing of; a recommended speaker for Zoom meetings; and 3 hot/cold/ flasks; which will be made available on loan for use by the community;

As the benches are now fixed into the correct position in St Garmon, agreed to the purchase of the plaques for the benches; and the development of the Memorial Garden.

## 9. Maintenance

1. **Graianrhyd Community Field:** Councillors are pleased with both the quality and design of the newly installed shelter; agreed good value for money. Thanks go to Gwyndaf Jones for his excellent work, many locals have already made complimentary remarks; Council are pleased it is being used. White Oak will give a quote for a recycled plastic A3 notice board, for field entrance.

Concerning the biodiversity, Kevin Ford will install a 'bug hotel' and 'bee-home', and plant wild flower-seeds in Graianrhyd Community Field. He will cost a solar light for installing into the new shelter, which a local resident has offered to purchase. Council agreed to purchase the required wood and resources to provide more raised beds. All are delighted with the continual reports that many more people are using the community field.

2. **Maes y Droell** roadside entrance to rear meadow has been strimmed and a new entrance has been created by White Oak in the rear stone wall to allow pedestrians easier access to the rear meadow; the name plaque will be installed near the gate.

3. **Llanarmon Playing Field:** The newly purchased pedestrian gate will be installed as-and-when the weather permits. White Oak will remove and replant the apple tree from the front car park. Following reports of dogs escaping under the Llanarmon field fence and gate, (though the Council are not responsible for dog's behaviour); it was agreed to look into this problem.

Request received from Dr Christine Evans to include cricket nets in the refurbishment plans for the field. Before a decision can be made the Council require clear details of the nets; the costing involved – who would purchase and erect them, the exact suggested position, whether the supporting structure will be durable, permanent or seasonal?

4. The **St Garmon's Church** Wardens will plant the purchased bushes/ plants very shortly.

5. It was agreed that as part of the community Biodiversity LCC will continue to purchase daffodils, bulbs, poppies and other plants to enhance our community as a whole; being planted around our community and in/ around the various village flowers boxes.

**10. Llanarmon Parking:** The local Rhwl Chapel committee had recently been informed by their administrators' that they favoured selling off the **Maes Awelon**, field for development. Council will contact the chapel.

**Caer Odyn, Eryrys parking area:** Still waiting for quotations for this work to progress.

**Hen Ardd, Eryrys parking area:** Confirmed the drawings for the intended parking area at Hen Ardd had been sent to Cllr T Mendies, DCC Tim Towers and to the required agencies. No replies.

**11. Vacancy for Councillor:** No new applications.

**12. Dates:** a) Darren Millar will attend the Community Council meeting 7pm on 3rd April.

b) H Munro confirmed will attend One Voice Wales 'The Council Meeting' training session on 12/03/2024, 6.30pm

c) Defib checked at Eryrys by D Pollard 4.3.24 in full working order. Clerk had checked Graianrhyd, Llanarmon Shop, Sue Hanahoe had checked Llanarmon Old School Room.

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

a. Many young adults in Denbighshire could have an average of £2,000 waiting for them in their unclaimed Child Trust Fund account. These are long-term, tax-free savings accounts which were set up for every child born between 1st September 2002 and 2 January 2011, with the government contributing an initial deposit of at least £250. Funds can be withdrawn once the account matures when the child turns 18. Every 16-year-old is sent information about finding their Child Trust Fund from HMRC with their National Insurance letter. Search on [www.gov.uk/child-trust-funds](http://www.gov.uk/child-trust-funds)

b. Emails received from N Jones concerning 15/2022/0378 Llanarmon planning applications; read out in full by Chair.

c. DCC Tom Hiles tree officer replied they will get in touch again with LCC concerning the possibility of both our community and residents receiving trees to plant.

d. The correct address of School Lane and Old School Lane properties were raised by residents and DCC.

e. The Police Commissioner elections are due to take place 2nd May.

f. PCSO Tiffany Davis – Due to increased reports – advised if you have a keyless entry car, make sure when you are at home you keep your car key (and the spare) as far away from the car, doors and windows as possible. Criminals can use a device to fool your car into thinking the key is close by. This unlocks the car and starts the ignition; keep keys in a signal-blocking pouch, such as a Faraday Bag. Also, turn off wireless signals on your fob when it is not being used.

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

1. Condolences to the family of Mrs Mair Lloyd aged 90, burial in St Garmon's Llanarmon on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March; she will be greatly missed.

2. Rod Elms requested the return of his magnet used after bonfire night – Kevin Ford will return it.

3. Complaints about speeding traffic passing Ysgol Bro Famau on School Lane, Llanarmon. Also, as it is the main walking route to the school from the village the pathway is obstructed. Clerk will contact T Mendies and DCC.

4. Council really concerned about the general poor road surfaces and poor quantity of pothole repairs. S Jones had reported many on the DCC portal and sent photographs. Potholes reported from Graianrhyd towards Treuddyn.

5. Speed road sign not working in Graianrhyd; Clerk reported DCC stated it was switched off as it cannot be reset to flash at 20mph.

**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 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2024 at Canolfan Dewi Sant and via Zoom.

Meeting ended 9.55pm

Signed..... dated.....