

Canolfan Dewi Sant and via Zoom

1. Present: Susan Jones Chair, Darren Pollard Vice, Kevin Ford, Trevor Brand, Richard Rogers, Norma Wright (Clerk)

Apologies: Hannah Munro (away), Simon Garrett (no apology), Simon Kane (no apology).

Chair asked once again, if members with poor attendance should now re-consider if they actually have time for their duties required as a member of the community council.

2a. David Jones PCSO 3491 Conwy & Denbighshire Rural Neighbourhood Police Attended: Council were given the outline history of the last 3 months of local crimes. David encouraged residents to install CCTV and burglar alarms to further protect their property, as a good deterrent. He had alerted his fellow Police officers patrolling, concerning the repeat large-quantity of glass-alcohol bottles in St Garmon's graveyard. He was aware of the complaints reported both by residents and the Clerk regarding speeding cars passing the school in Llanarmon. Agreed that stretch of road should qualify for a speed reduction – he would contact the Cllr Terry Mendies. David had passed on the request from the Clerk for assistance with funding towards further skate-boarding lessons/ demonstration on Llanarmon Field. He stated that if residents have any concerns, to contact him or an officer in the team, as they will always be available to help.

2b. Meeting Open to the Public & Press for 10 minutes: (Code to attend via zoom was available via the Clerk).

Mrs. Martha Edwards joined by video conference.

Martyn Holland attended, to inform the Council, that a public meeting will be arranged in Llanarmon to discuss the Parc Farm planning application. He listed many objections; dark skies issue-light pollution; sewerage draining into village, traffic, excessive noise from events etc and was contacting DCC Planning. He complained that no consultation had ever taken place, regarding the one day 'Parc Fest' that now seems to be a whole weekend; the noise level was far too high. He was reminded that LCC had many times over the years asked Martyn (as the previous County Councillor)- 'Who issued the license, for the August event held on Parc Farm site, without consultation with LCC or the locals?' Clerk will contact Cllr Terry Mendies again, for an answer. **Chair stated there is a real need for a local resident from Llanarmon to join the community council and put forward what the village views are on topics.**

3. Declaration of Interest & Gifts: S Jones declared being the organiser of the Llanarmon Show.

4. Read and Confirmation of Minutes: Read and confirm the Minutes of the General Meeting held 1st May 2024.

Resolve: Confirmed and accepted as a true and correct record by the Council. Prop: D Pollard Sec: K Ford. 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: 5th May 2024 7pm Public Meeting discussed the 'Old School Lane' - Road Name signs and postcodes in Eryrys At this second meeting once again, there followed an in-depth discussion of the problems being caused by unclear road names (two roads with the same name) and many dwellings with the same post codes, in Eryrys. It was agreed by the residents who attended, that they wanted the old sign which stated Lon yr Hen Ysgol underneath in English Old School Lane returned. To take down the newly installed sign, which just stated 'School Lane', they felt that caused personal problems for them, with their property and registered documents.

Mrs Thew DCC Community Development Officer and D Pollard Community Council, both felt that the present situation was confusing, especially for the emergency services. Residents didn't want to accept any of their suggestions for changes. Some residents stated they may personally apply to the Post Office to change their postcodes. LCC stated that it is the duty of the county council to ensure houses, buildings and roads are properly identifiable by means of numbering or names; however, appreciated that they have no direct power to enforce residents to accept change.

6. Cllr Terry Mendies Report: REFUSE COLLECTIONS The "Trollibox" system is now in operation and as expected, there have been teething troubles. The call centre received a 400% increase in calls, with 800 received on Tuesday. Submit enquiries to; <https://myaccount.denbighshire.gov.uk/cy-gb/pages/form-ages/generalwasteenquiry.aspx> Residents who are away from the main road will still have their Trolliboxes/ Wheelie bins collected as previously serviced.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS The planning application for Parc Farm is still in the consultation process. Residents have been concerned that there will be an increase in the number of Caravans on site. Any increase would have to be licensed and would require a further application. Application number 15/2013/1080, Land adjacent to Erw Goed, Llanarmon will go before the Planning Committee on 19th June. Any comments on this application can be

posted on the Portal, or e-mailed to me directly. HEN ARDD CAR PARK. A meeting has been arranged with Countryside Services for advice on this project on 7th June.

7. Planning: Members should view 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>
15/2023/0911 Parc Farm Caravan Park, Graianrhyd Road, Llanarmon-Yn-Ial application: Parc Farm has now served the formal notice on its neighbours as DCC Planning Officer had requested, the timeframe for this being approximately 2 months (details are in Llanarmon Community Shop). LCC had minuted its concerns in 1st May meeting; residents should place their concerns on the DCC portal.

15/2021/0318 Planning 12 dwellings in Erw Goed, Llanarmon. LCC are concerned that this application goes to DCC full planning committee in two weeks. There are over 12 documents and yet no clear details other than outlined planning permission have come to the community council. Due to large quantities of documents it is difficult to determine the response by NRW and Welsh Water regarding the phosphates situation. Cllr T Mendies had stated there has been a review, finding a capacity for 10 new dwellings to cope with the sewerage. Yet there has already recently been a new dwelling installed on Llanarmon Road, so that should only leave the capacity for 9?

It was asked if M Holland will also be holding a public meeting regarding this planning, as he stated there should be when he was County Councillor. Martyn stated he felt 10 dwellings were still too many for the proposed site for several reasons including that there was still no room for parking. Clerk to contact DCC and Cllr T Mendies.

15/2024/0090 Fron Deg, Eryrys: Erection of single and two storey extensions to dwelling, raising of roof ridge height landscaping and associated works. **No objections.**

15/2024/1013 Holmsdale, Llanarmon: Erection of a replacement dwelling, and associated works. **No objections**
planning@denbighshire.gov.uk The Development Management Team currently has a backlog of enquiries and applications caused by staffing issues and the on-going implementation of a new IT system. Unfortunately, this means that some planning applications and enquiries are taking longer to register and determine. In addition, comments made on planning applications may not be uploaded onto DCC web pages as quickly as before. We ask for your forbearance at this time and apologise for any inconvenience caused.

8. Finance Matters, Accounts, and Schedule of payments:

a) Bank reconciliation accepted; 31st May Main £13,376.23; Fireworks 7818 £1578.06; Projects 3981 £22,236.55
b) D Pollard checked and signed the bank statements against all transactions, on all accounts; they were correct. S Jones confirmed and signed authorisation for internet banking / card payments; balances and all transactions were correct. Council voted to authorise the following payments schedule;

£530.00	Llewellyn-Jones Solicitors for Registration of land in Llanarmon
£330.00	JDH Internal Auditors
£ 5.00	HSBC charges (taken 21st June)
£609.13	Clerk Pay June
£141.40	HMRC June
£45.54	Viking (stationary, paper/pens etc)
£50.16	Viking (wallet folders/laminating pouches etc)
£22.00	B&Q Fly traps telephone kiosks

Council agreed to become more involved in the Llanarmon local show. The prize money was appreciated. LCC requested the costs to place details/information of the council in future literature.

c) JDH the internal Auditor report 2023-2024 stated: 'Whilst the financial regulations allow for the use of a debit card they do not state a maximum transaction value for the use of the card. *Review: The Council should consider setting a maximum transaction value for the use of the debit card as per the model financial regulations.*'

'Annual Action Plan' Resolve: The Council had set a limit on the Debit Card in the Annual Review of the Internal Financial Controls. 'The Clerk will be issued with a Debit Card which will be restricted to a single transaction maximum value of £1500 unless authorised by the council.' This will now be added and adopted in the Financial Regulations and Standing Orders. Overall daily/ bill payments limits will remain at £5,000.' Council voted in favour to adopt JDH audit report and recommendations; agreed there was no further action required. Prop: S Jones Sec: D Pollard. There were no votes against or abstentions and the motion was carried.

d) The completed Annual Return, Annual Governance Statement, Full Accounts Year End 2023/24, and Bank Reconciliations: Resolve: Accepted and adopted as correct, Chair signed Part 2 of the Annual Governance Statement. Prop: S Jones. Sec: D Pollard. There were no votes against or abstentions and the motion was carried. The Clerk will post the required documents to the external auditor, for a full in-depth audit.

The Notices of the dates for Electors to Exercise their Rights to Inspect the Accounts; will be displayed on the website and notice boards. Electors may inspect the accounts from 1st July-26th July, 10am-4pm. From 12th September 2024 until the Audit is complete electors have the right to contact the Auditor General, in Cardiff.

e) The Council felt it was time to sell the land at St Garmon's Court. This is due to DCC planning officer stating it is no longer allowed to be used as an overflow graveyard, which it was intending for. Before this can be achieved, the local public are entitled to give their opinions - if it should be sold, or reused for a different purpose (subject to planning permission being granted). A questionnaire will be placed around the community and on the website welcoming views. If it was agreed to sell, then following legal advice and sufficient notice to the farmer who uses it for grazing- the land will be valued and placed on the public market as legally required.

f) Skate Board Lesson/ Demonstration: Council voted to accept the costs to hold the two hour long, skateboard lessons/ demonstrations on Llanarmon Playing field at 11a.m. on Monday 5th August, and Monday 12th August. Only if enough youngsters have attended, and they are considered successful then the third session will take place on Monday 19th August, at 11am. This will be partly funded by a donation by The Eryrys Vintage Gathering (Tractor Show) in November 2023.

9. Maintenance

1. CCTV Policy Updated: Chair signed. Resolve: Confirmed and accepted by the Council. Prop: D Pollard Sec: K Ford. Council voted in favour. There were no votes against or abstentions and the motion was carried.

2. Llanarmon Playing Field: Gareth Bryan reported again the benches are being placed on the skate-equipment and are now in need of repairs. Clerk will attend with H Watts to see if they should be temporarily removed. Gareth Bryan was thanked for his H&S reports on Llanarmon Playing Field; he reported the dog-bags are still being taken in large quantities, even after his plea on social media for the provision of free bags not to be misused. Clerk stated the dispensers will now be left empty. Volunteers are needed to put back in-place the large number of tree guards that have come away from the saplings. Suggested that if everyone attending the park, would spend a little time helping, then this could be achieved.

3. Defibs: checked at Eryrys by D Pollard in full working order and cleaned the casing; Clerk checked Graianrhyd; Sue Hanahoe checked Llanarmon Old School Room; Martin checked the Llanarmon Shop. The Clerk has registered the new pads that were provided by NHS Tomos Hughes First Responders (free of charge).

4. Hen Ardd, Eryrys parking area: Meeting Friday 2pm for the intended parking area; Cllr T Mendies, D Pollard, Dave Shiel Country Services, Richard May SSSI officer will meet on site. Professional advice on the drainage is required before proceeding with work.

10. Dates of Meetings, Events and Training (future or attended)

Llanarmon Village Show: Saturday 10th August

Eryrys Vintage Gathering & Show: Sunday 28th July 10am Tractor Run, from Waen Dyllog Farm, CH7 4BR Show starts at 12 noon

c) Darren Millar MS Member of the Senedd for Clwyd West attending the LCC September meeting

d) One Voice Wales: May meeting R Rogers could not attend.

e) Clwydian Range & Dee Valley National Landscape (AONB); Councillors S Kane, K Ford, H Munro could not attend 16th May.

f) Country Services: Clerk attended three sites with the new Country Services Officer. This was to see if grants were possible; for finishing the dry-stone wall in Dewi Sant Eryrys; putting back the wall in Graianrhyd a previous school vegetable growing-plot, plus the creation of a new BBQ area. Hen Ardd, was also visited to see if any future funds could be found to create the car park area.

g) Training: Councillors requested to continue with their own training.

11. Correspondence: Councillors agreed appropriate correspondence had previously been forwarded by the Clerk during the course of the month

1. Ken Skates AS/MS Cabinet Secretary for North Wales and Transport stated 20mph is right around schools, hospitals and in built up residential areas; taking full responsibility for the reset. Residents to contact DCC or WAG for trunk roads, about any roads in the local communities where it is felt the speed limit has not been correctly applied. Map of all Welsh trunk roads on DataMapWales. If a specific road should: • change from 20mph to 30mph • change from 30mph to 20mph • stay at 20mph. When giving feedback be clear and precise about which section of road you are talking about, giving reasons.

2. Clerk sent out information (on notice boards and website) on B5431 being closed for surface dressing on 10th June from Llanarmon to Ffordd Rhiw Ial; 20th June, for 10 days from Ffordd Rhiw Ial to the A525 Gatehouse junction; then 24th July to 4th August. Locals advised to monitor the progress or delays on DCC website.

3. To commemorate 80 years since 'D Day' a large flag has been raised in Canolfan Dewi Sant. There is a new booking Clerk -Simon to contact for hiring Canolfan Dewi Sant 07876503080

4. Warning from One Voice Wales that councils should assess their current computer equipment as Windows 10 will end its support May 2025. Microsoft are offering free upgrades to Windows 11, for suitable devices.

5. One Voice Wales Pre-Election Period Timetable of Actions, sent to all Councillors.

- 6. Denbighshire CC had notified LCC of the newly elected Chair and Vice Chair of the County Council.
- 7. One Voice Wales has issued new guidance notes for the recruitment and retention of Clerks.

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

D Pollard and S Jones had reported, and sent photos to DCC with concerns over local roads flooding and the poor condition of the roads; as when repaired the materials used are not robust.

13. Meetings: General Meeting of the Council will start at 7pm on Wednesday 3rd July 2024 at Canolfan Dewi Sant
All minutes are 'draft' until signed off by the Chair.

Meeting ended 9.05pm

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