

Canolfan Dewi Sant and via Zoom

1. Present: Susan Jones Chair, Darren Pollard Vice, Kevin Ford, Norma Wright (Clerk) **Apologies:** Hannah Munro (away), Simon Garrett (working), Richard Rogers (health), Trevor Brand (no apologetic). Simon Kane stepped-down due to family matters. **Chair asked once again, if members with poor attendance would please re-consider if they actually have time for their duties, required as a member of the community council. Reasons for absence should be sent to the Clerk in writing before a meeting. TO BE NOTED: If a councillor wants their absence from a meeting to be approved by the council, they need to submit a written request together with the reason for the absences BEFORE the meeting takes place to the Clerk. The council will then resolve to vote the approval of absence or not. The receiving of the absence and noting of the apologies alone does NOT constitute the formal Council approval. SIX MONTH RULE for failure of attendance means a member AUTOMATICALLY CEASES TO BE A MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL.**

2a. Meeting Open to the Public & Press for 10 minutes: (Code to attend via zoom was available via the Clerk). **Chair stated there is a real need for local residents from Llanarmon to join the community council to put forward resident's views.** Two members of the public attended.

2b. Keith Bennett Project Manager provided a summary to the council about the nature recovery, climate change mitigation and access improvement plans for Moel y Plâs project; by Denbighshire County Council and the Clwydian Range & Dee Valley National Landscape. This is being paid by the UK Prosperity Funding to meet the zero carbon and biodiversity goals, for DCC. Keith had spoken to the public on Thursday, 20th June in a drop-in information session in the Old School Room, Llanarmon.

3. Declaration of Interest & Gifts: None

4. Read and Confirmation of Minutes: Read and confirm the Minutes of the General Meeting held 5th June 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: None.

6. Cllr Terry Mendies Report: REFUSE COLLECTIONS: The "Troliboc" system is now in operation and as expected, there have been teething troubles. Submit enquiries to; <https://myaccount.denbighshire.gov.uk/cy-gb/pages/form-ages/generalwasteenquiry.aspx>. Residents with larger families can request an additional Troliboc, by calling 01824 706000. Waste not being collected for 3 weeks has caused much concern. DCC has engaged an extra 10 trucks to the fleet (a 50% increase). Missed collections will be "mopped up" by crews each Saturday.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS: 15/2013/1080, Land adjacent to Erw Goed Llanarmon, went before the Planning Committee on 19th June; It was passed, the only consideration was the materials used and landscaping. Limited to 10 houses because of the lack of capacity at the Waste Treatment Plant. The Developer will build 4/5 houses, then the remaining as a second phase. Requested details of the commuted sum available to the community, available shortly.

HEN ARDD CAR PARK: A meeting with Countryside services Thomas Hiles took place on Monday 1st July he agreed to the felling of the smaller tree and trimming the large tree.

PARC FARM AUGUST CONCERT: The premises licence shows they are licensed for music indoors; Music played outside, needs a Temporary Events Notice. As far as I am aware, no application has been made. If there are any issues contact 07795 659777. Terry.Mendies@denbighshire.gov.uk **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 need to be licensed and would require a further application. Public meeting to be held.

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> **15/2024/1015/HH 4 Ffordd Rhiw Ial, Llanarmon Yn Ial:** Alterations to dwelling, Supported.

15/2023/0911 Parc Farm Caravan Park, Graianrhyd Road, Llanarmon-Yn-Ial: Residents will be holding a public meeting to discuss this application. Council confirm their original comments. No details of the August Bank Holiday event, found on their licence. **Resolve:** Council has viewed their comments at previous months meetings.

15/2021/0318 Planning 12 dwellings in Erw Goed, Llanarmon passed the DCC planning, with permission for 12 houses, but 10 will be built due to NRW and Welsh Water to cope with the sewerage. **Resolve:** No objections.

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

a) Bank reconciliation accepted; 30th June Main £11,664.50; Fireworks £1586.28; Projects £22,347.46

First ¼ accounts and Financial Risk Assessment presented to Council. **RESOLVE:** Adopted Prop: S Jones Sec: D Pollard. There were no votes against or abstentions and the motion was carried.

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;

£ 5.00	HSBC charges (taken 21st July)
£609.33	Clerk Pay June
£141.40	HMRC June
£2,260.00	White Oak.
£72.00	Canolfan Dewi Sant Rent April, May June
£15.00	Eryrys Gardening Club – plants for Llan Field and boxes.
£34.20	Jones & Graham payroll service
£60.00	Cancelled card payment

c) Clerk and Chair were delegated the powers for LCC Financial Reasonability for the August vacation period.

d) Adopted Amended Financial Regulations and Standing Orders, to be placed on the website. **RESOLVE:** Prop: S Jones Sec: D Pollard. There were no votes against or abstentions and the motion was carried.

e) Llanarmon School needs financial help to purchase batteries and pads for their defib machine. Their type of defib machine cannot be adopted by the NHS as it is not compatible. **RESOLVE:** Council voted to pay for the new batteries and pads costing approx £200. Headteacher promised to try to fund raise to contribute towards the costs. Prop: D Pollard Sec: K Ford. Council voted in favour. No votes against or abstentions and the motion was carried.

f) Wording for the notices regarding the proposal to sell the land at St Garmon's Court, was accepted. This is due to DCC planning officer stating it is no longer allowed to be used as an overflow graveyard, which it was intended 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 and costs). **RESOLVE:** Notices will be placed around the community and on the website welcoming views. If 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; if the valuation vs the cost are thought to be in the best interest of the community.

g) Skate Board Lesson/ Demonstration: Posters will be displayed and on the website. Clerk will meet with Rebecca Davies Coach on Monday 8th July 1pm. Councillors will try to attend in August and encourage local youths to attend.

9. Maintenance

1. Kiosks: Clerk had made new notices, cleaned the kiosks and windows of both kiosks. They are not really being used now for books and CD's – this will be monitored; if thought no longer a requirement Councillors will aim to reuse the kiosk in another way. Graianrhyd will have a new bike pump; and Eryrys a new first-aid kit. **RESOLVE:** Prop: D Pollard Sec: K Ford. Council voted in favour. No votes against or abstentions and the motion was carried.

2. Llanarmon Playing Field: Clerk had inspected the benches even though they are on the skate-equipment; they are not damaged so will monitor the situation. Two picnic tables are old but not worth further repairing. They will be looked at closely again in November and if thought unfit for use they will be put on the bonfire. Council asked H Watts to give the two old wooden benches a coat of weather proofing. Clerk refilled the free doggy bags, and filled the planters with bags of compost and plants. Clerk had cleaned the Llanarmon, Graianrhyd and Eryrys notice boards.

3. Defibs: D Pollard checked Eryrys in full working order and cleaned the casing; Clerk checked Graianrhyd; noted both alarms are not working in the cabinets. Sue Hanahoe checked Old School Room; Martin the Llanarmon Shop.

4. Hen Ardd, Eryrys parking area: Meeting Monday 1st July with Tom Hiles who agreed for LCC to cut an old tree down. Mike Jones DCC Highways couldn't make the meeting – LCC now waiting for his permission.

5. Maes y Droell has had a local resident's vehicle hit the grave yard wall, causing much damage, he has promised to repair the wall and apologise.

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

a) Llanarmon Village Show Saturday 10th August

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

c) Council Confirmed on Tuesday 5th November there will be a Bonfire event. Organised by K Ford, he will ask Adam Mackridge to take the entrance fees at the gate with D Pollard. Volunteers should contact Kevin directly to help collect wood, assist with parking and with the fireworks.

d) One Voice Wales: R Rogers hadn't attended any meeting; Being the LCC Rep he should report back on the 10th July Area Meeting.

e) Clwydian Range & Dee Valley National Landscape (AONB) meetings. None of the three representative councillors have attended these meetings. K Ford, H Munro, Simon Kane.

f) 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. DCC Wildflower Meadow project now includes sites from Prestatyn to Corwen, Rhyl to Llangollen, and Denbigh to Llandegla. Increasing the council owned/ operated land species richness from 37.6% 2019 to 42% in 2024.

2. Road works on website and notice boards -Llanarmon - B5431/ B5430 junction to A525; Gatehouse Junction Surface Dressing Road Closure 24.07.2024 04.08.2024.

3. Local requested if it could be found financially possible for two dog waste bins to be sited, one at the village exit near the salt / grit bin, & maybe one opposite the former Methodist Chapel. So many dog owners seem to be too idle to carry waste on a very long circuit. Cllr T Mendies had replied that he had requested 3 Dog fouling bins for the "Triangle" in Llanarmon several months ago, and was waiting for an update.

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

1. Concerns over the large deficit in the accounts of Ysgol Bro Famau; update requested from Cllr T Mendies as concerned if this could lead to the possible closure of the school.

2. D Pollard and S Jones had reported, to DCC concerns over local roads flooding and the poor condition of the roads; as when repaired the materials used are not robust. Salt-bin damaged reported.

3. Clerk is due for a hip replacement operation and may attend the September meeting via zoom.

13. Meetings: General Meeting of the Council will start at 7pm on Wednesday 4th September 2024 at Canolfan Dewi Sant. **All minutes are 'draft' until signed off by the Chair.**

Meeting ended 8.25pm

Signed Dated