

LLANDINAM COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING
held in Llandinam Village Hall
on Wednesday 25th February 2015 at 7:30 p.m.

Chairman	Cllr Colin Owen	√	Cllr Jackie Deakins	X
Vice Chair	Cllr Linda Savage	√	Cllr Philip Freeman	√
	Cllr Mike Brennan	√	Cllr Mike Jones	√
	Cllr Michael Davies	A	Cllr Andrew Owen	A
	Cllr Roche Davies	√	Cllr Jon Sloan	√

√ Present

A Apology for Absence

X Not Present

In Attendance: No members of public present

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Cllrs Michael Davies and Andrew Owen
2. **Declarations of Interest by Councillors on any items on the Agenda.** None
3. **Approval and signing of Minutes** from the previous meeting on 28th January 2015. Cllr P Freeman requested amendments to Items 11 and 12, as follows:-
 Item 11 to state that issuing cheques for Llandinam Village Hall and Llidiartywaen Community Centre has been delayed until the end of the current financial year and will be done in April 2015.
 Item 12 to read 'a site meeting with North and Mid Wales Trunk Road Agency'.
 Otherwise the contents of the minutes were approved as an accurate record.
4. **Bye-laws**
 Advice received from the Welsh Government states that it is expected that the Local Government Byelaws (Wales) Act 2012 will be in force by the end of March which will enable local councils to make any byelaw powers listed in the Act without the need for confirmation by the Welsh Ministers. All Councils will be informed when the Act comes into force. In order to receive templates the Community Council needs to provide a list of the named grounds where the byelaws are to operate.
 It was agreed that the named grounds should be:
 - Community Council Car Park
 - Play Area Car Park
 - Playing Fields Car Park
 - Cemetery Car Park
 - Bus Shelters
 - Cenotaph
5. **Council website**
 The Chairman stated that the training sessions arranged by Cllr Freeman were very useful. Access to the website, Councillors' details and the format need to be decided. It was agreed to pass a Resolution that Llandinam Community Council will comply with the Welsh Government Guidance regarding 'Access to Information on Community and Town Councils'.
6. **Storage of Council documents**
 Cllr Freeman advised that the filing cabinets belonging to the Community Council have to be removed temporarily from the Village Hall office to allow for cleaning, wiring and decorating. The issue of security and electronic storage was also discussed. In the meantime Cllrs M Jones and J Sloan offered to review and index the contents of the filing cabinets.

7. Community Consultation

Cllrs P Freeman and M Brennan gave a brief report from the Clustering meeting in Newtown on 2nd February 2015.

It was agreed that the Community Council should remain engaged in the discussions with a further meeting due to take place in April.

Cllr Freeman prepared a number of Resolutions to be agreed by the Community Council. The Council agreed to pass the following Resolutions:-

Resolution#1 - To keep in touch with the clustering discussions and provide comments and suggestions without implying commitment on behalf of Llandinam Community Council

Resolution #2 - To carry out consultation with the community during the summer months and to arrange a public meeting no later than the end of September.

Resolutions #3 and #4 below were proposed by Cllr P Freeman and seconded by Cllr M Jones. Voting took place with 4 votes in favour and 3 abstentions.

Resolution #3 - All information received by Community Councillors is assumed to be in the public domain unless the Clerk, in consultation with the chair, decides it is confidential.

Resolution #4 - Any information that any councillor wants to share with the General Public shall be placed on the Council's Website.

Resolutions #5 and #6 – deferred to the next meeting

8. Playground area

Quotations for repairs to the play equipment have been chased again. Ray Parry promised to contact the Chairman to arrange the inspection of the site.

Guidelines on goal posts – awaiting information

9. Community Council car park

Dog bins and signs have been chased again

Recycling – email from Powys County Council advised that the payment mechanisms for “Adopt a Site” groups were changed slightly when the new agreements were issued in 2014, this was to take into account new schemes across the County.

It was hoped that the sites would compliment rather than conflict with the new kerbside schemes and they have found that there has not been a great deal of fall off from sites in areas where the kerbside collections have been running for some time. There are no plans at present to make any changes to the current system.

Cllr C Owen pointed out that the amount of recycling in the car park bins have definitely decreased. It was agreed to promote the scheme by publicising it in The Listener and eventually on the website in order to encourage local people to continue using the recycling bins provided in the car park.

10. Cemetery – graveyard regulations – deferred to the next meeting.

11. Powys Local Development Plan 2011-2026 January 2015 – Cllr R Davies suggested to defer this until the new information comes through. All agreed.

12. Highways

Cllr C Owen thanked all Councillors who attended a site meeting on the 25th February 2015 and summarised all points of concern that were discussed at the meeting.

The issue of removal of railings was discussed. It was unanimously decided to keep the railings in place as their removal would compromise the safety of pedestrians at the junction. It was also agreed to write to the Welsh Office regarding the Speed Indicating Devices.

13. Planning:

P/2015/0096, Grid ref. 303046.23/289710.06 for Proposed erection to existing dwelling, to include the demolition of existing porch at 2 Blackbridge Cottage, Blackbridge Lane, Llandinam

The Community Council agreed to support this application.

14 . Review of Correspondence:

- Letter from One Voice Wales – Membership 2015-16. Renewal agreed.
- Letter from Ponthafren Association – request for financial support
A donation of £25 was agreed. Proposed by Cllr Freeman and seconded by Cllr M Brennan.
- Letter from Montgomeryshire Music Festival – request for financial support
A donation of £25 was agreed.
- Membership renewal notice from SLCC. Renewal agreed.
- Email from Spinal Injuries Association – The Great British Fish & Chip supper.
It was agreed to pass this onto the Village Hall Committee.
- Email from Tree Dimension – tree consultancy services. Noted.
- Letter from Mr R Lloyd regarding the state of the footpath up to the Playground area in bad weather conditions was read out and this issue was discussed.
Cllr C Owen will ask Mr E Griffiths to look into this.

15. Finance Matters

Receipts & payments:

Payments received: None

The Clerk presented the following payments for authorisation:

K & S Toilets (Jan 15)	£52.80	One Voice Wales (renewal)	£1113.00
Room hire (Village Hall)	£110.00	SLCC Membership renewal	£77.00
Ponthafren Association (donation)	£25.00	Montgomeryshire Music Festival	£25.00

All payments were authorised.

16. Information from Members. None

17. Date of Next Meeting – 25 March 2015

18. Public comments/Questions. None

The meeting finished at 9.25pm