

LLANVACHES COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Llanvaches Community Council
Held at Llanvaches Church Hall on
Tuesday, 17th September 2019 at 7pm

Present

Chairman: Cllr Dan Boulton
Councillors: E Addis, K James, R Mogford.
Ward Councillor:
In Attendance: Mrs Lucy Allen (Clerk)
Public Attendance: 1

3204 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
Cllr C Wynn

3205 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA
None.

3206 MINUTES
Cllr Addis proposed that the minutes of the ordinary meeting of Council on Tuesday, 16th July 2019 be accepted as a true record. This was seconded by Cllr James and agreed unanimously, the minutes were signed as a true record of the meeting.

3207 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES
None.

3208 FINANCIAL MATTERS

a. Payment of Accounts

Payee	Description	Cheque Number	Amount
L Allen	Clerks Salary – August	Standing Order	£214.94
L Allen	Clerks Salary – September	Standing Order	£214.94

TOTAL **£429.88**

Cllr James proposed that the above payments be approved, which was seconded by Cllr Addis and agreed unanimously.

c. Cash Book and Bank Reconciliation

The adoption and reconciliation of the Community Council's bank accounts for July and August 2019 was confirmed.

d. Annual Return and External Audit 2018/19

Members considered the outcome of the external audit of the Annual Return 2018/19.

RESOLVED:

To approve and accept the outcome of the external audit report for the financial year 2018 - 2019 and note that on the basis of their review and in their opinion, the information contained in the Annual Return is in accordance with proper practices and no matters had come to their attention giving cause for concern that the relevant legislation and regulatory requirements had not been met.

3209 COUNCIL MANAGEMENT MATTERS

a. Spectrum Internet Update

Members received an update from representatives of Spectrum Internet regarding the broadband installation in the village. The meeting was advised that they were only a small number of days away from finalising the digging up of a field to begin the cabinet installation and that it is hoped connections to properties will commence in October. Representatives advised that they were still short on the take up, with currently only 20-25% of the village having committed but are aware that some people are waiting until they see works commence before signing up. Ideally, they need 70% take up to generate income to support the outer areas of the village.

The biggest hurdle in take up is that people are already in contracts, however, should someone's provider increase their tariff then that allows the availability to cancel the contract and then sign with Spectrum.

The Welsh Government voucher is valid for 12 months and although it cant be used to pay off an existing contract it can be "held" by Spectrum ready for when the existing providers contract expires and Spectrum, in this instance, are able to put all the cabling in to the perimeter of the property ready for connection. There is a new grant due to be released but as yet it is not backed by the Welsh Government.

Members raised concerns regarding the website links to costs and were advised that Spectrum would check the page and resend the link.

3210 Ward Member Report

Five Lanes – there was no formal update from the Ward Member however the meeting was advised that MCC have withdrawn the offer of permits. Residents are still able to use the Weighbridge at the recycling center and pay to tip their rubbish.

Removal of yellow lines at Rock and Fountain – the lines had been removed to comply with legislation in regard to open highways, there was a possibility that parking on the highway is a breach and that this is a matter for the police. The meeting agreed that this was already a very dangerous junction and that the parking needs to be stopped.

3211 PLAYING FIELD MATTERS

a. Fortnightly Inspection Report

Members noted the inspection report which had been circulated to all Councillors. Members were advised that the Clerk had spoken with the contractor who had visited the play area and inspected the clamber stack. It was suggested that a replacement log is fitted into the clamber stack and that this would be seen as natural decay of timber and therefore not covered under the guarantee. It was noted that oil had been applied to the swings to stop them being noisy.

Members requested that a reminder be sent to Newport City Council to cut the hedges in October.

b. Glebelands Field

Members considered correspondence received from the agent acting on behalf of Church in Wales regarding the planting of saplings near to the new boundary fence in the football field.

RESOLVED:

That Cllr Addis visit the resident who planted the saplings to discuss the boundary between the Church in Wales and the residential property.

3212 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

It was noted that several the pavements in the village had been resurfaced but that some still need doing. Cllr Boulton to contact Newport City Council to highlight the pavements which still need doing.

3213 MATTERS OF LOCAL INTEREST OR CONCERN

Reservoir – request that this get added to the works outstanding list to ensure regular checks are carried out by Welsh Water once the water is put back in.

3214 CORRESPONDENCE LIST

The meeting received the correspondence list as set out in the schedule emailed to members prior to the meeting.

3215 PLANNING MATTERS

a) Members noted the decisions on the following planning application:

Planning Application: 19/0683
Type: Full
Address: HUNTSHILL BOARDING KENNELS AND CATTERY,
PEN-Y-WORLOD ROAD, LLANVACHES
Proposal: **TWO STOREY REAR EXTENSION AND ALTERATIONS**

DECISION: **GRANTED WITH CONDITIONS**

Planning Application: 19/0534
Type: Certificate of Lawful Use (Proposed)
Address: Ty Maen, Llanvaches Lane, Llanvaches, Newport, NP26 3AY
Proposal: CERTIFICATE OF LAWFUL DEVELOPMENT FOR ADDITION OF DORMERS TO ROOF

DECISION: **GRANTED WITH CONDITIONS**

Planning Application: 19/0537
Type: Full
Address: Ty Maen, Llanvaches Lane, Llanvaches, Newport, NP26 3AY
Proposal: PROPOSED REAR SINGLE STOREY EXTENSION, CHANGE OF MATERIALS TO HOUSE

DECISION: **GRANTED WITH CONDITIONS**

3216 FURTHER COMMENTS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

None.

3217 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Ordinary meeting of Llanvaches Community Council will take place on Tuesday, 15th October 2019 at 7.00pm in the Church Hall, Llanvaches.

The meeting closed at 8.20pm

Signed **CHAIRMAN**

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