

LLANVACHES COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Llanvaches Community Council
Held at Llanvaches Church Hall on
Tuesday 5th January 2016 at 7PM

Present

Chairman:- Cllr Liz Williams
Councillors:- K James, P Lawrence, L Morgan
Ward Councillor:-
In attendance:- Lucy Allen (Clerk)
Public Attendance:- 1

2663 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
Cllr P Challenger.

2664 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA
None.

2665 MINUTES
Cllr Morgan proposed that the minutes of the ordinary meeting of Council on Tuesday, 17th November 2015 be accepted as a true record subject to the following amendment:-

Item 2653 FINANCIAL MATTERS (d) Llanvaches Residents Group

Members considered the request from the Llanvaches Residents Group for a donation towards the Queens 90th Birthday celebrations to be held on Saturday 11th June 2015.

Delete Saturday 11th June 2015
Replace with Saturday 11th June 2016

This was seconded by Cllr James and agreed unanimously, the minutes were signed as a true record of the meeting.

2666 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES
Item 2653 FINANCIAL MATTERS (d) Llanvaches Residents Group
The Clerk advised that the Community Council were still waiting for sight of the bank statements for the Llanvaches Residents Group.

2667 FINANCIAL MATTERS

a. Payment of Accounts

i.	Clerks salary December 2015 by standing order	£182.27
ii.	Clerks salary January 2016 by standing order	£182.27
iii.	Church Hall rent for LCC meetings (£30 x 12)	£360.00
iv.	St Dubrituis Church (Cemetery Grant)	£100.00
v.	Bethany Chapel (Cemetery Grant)	£100.00
vi.	Tabernacle Church (Cemetery Grant)	£100.00
vii.	Gilgal Chapel (Cemetery Grant)	£100.00

viii	Newport City Council - grounds maintenance	£279.36
	TOTAL	£1403.90

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

b. Cash Book and Bank Reconciliation

The adoption and reconciliation of the Community Council's bank accounts for December 2015 was confirmed.

c. Draft Budget 2016-2017

The meeting considered the 2016 - 2017 Draft Budget prepared by the Clerk and circulated to the Members prior to the meeting.

The Clerk, in preparation of the Draft Budget, had taken into account the priorities that were set at the meeting on Tuesday, 16th November 2015 which included: separation of the grass and hedge cutting contract; ongoing playground maintenance and replacement plan and urgent tree maintenance to the trees in the playing field.

In relation to the grass cutting contract, Members were advised that quotations were still being sought but that a quotation had been received for the hedge cutting contract.

RESOLVED:-

To accept the Draft Budget for 2016-2017 appended to the minutes.

d. Precept / Concurrent Grant

Members considered the precept / concurrent grant application for the financial year 2016-2017. The Clerk advised that unspent budget provision from the current financial year could support the shortfall in the proposed spending figures for 2016-2017 and therefore avoid the need to increase the precept. Members were also advised that the concurrent grant for 2016-2017 would remain at £1700.00.

RESOLVED:-

To submit a precept request to Newport City Council for the financial year 2016-2017 for £6050.00. This is calculated as follows:-

Tax Base 242	Precept per property £25.00	Precept Amount £6050.00
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To submit a concurrent grant application to Newport City Council for £1700.00.

Cllr Morgan proposed the precept and concurrent applications which was seconded by Cllr James and agreed unanimously.

e. Grass Cutting Contract 2016 - 2017

Members were advised that quotations for grass cutting had not been received to date and would therefore be on the agenda for the next meeting of Llanvaches Community Council on Tuesday, 16th February 2016.

f. Hedge Cutting Contract 2016 - 2017

Members were advised that only one quotation had been received to date for hedge cutting and would therefore be on the agenda for the next meeting of Llanvaches Community Council on Tuesday, 16th February 2016.

g. Dog Signs

Members considered the purchase of 3 dog signs advising owners that dogs must be kept on leads at a cost of £102.85 + VAT and inclusive of fixing brackets.

RESOLVED:-

To purchase 3 “Keep Dogs on a Lead” signs at a total cost of £24.30 inc VAT but not to purchase the fixing brackets as a resident had offered to fix the signs on behalf of the Community Council (*Litter Act 1986, s87*).

Proposed by Cllr Williams, seconded by Cllr Lawrence and agreed unanimously.

h. Churchyard Maintenance Grants

Members considered making contributions to the Tabernacle United Reform Church, Bethany Baptist Church, St Dubritius Church and Gilgal Chapel towards the churchyard maintenance for which a budgetary provision of £100 per church has been made.

RESOLVED:-

To contribute to Tabernacle United Reform Church, Bethany Baptist Church, St Dubritius Church and Gilgal Chapel towards the churchyard maintenance for which a budgetary provision of £100 per church has been made (*LGA 1972, s214*).

2668 COUNCIL MANAGEMENT MATTERS

None.

2669 PLAYING FIELD MATTERS

a. Weekly Inspection Report

No issues were reported on the weekly inspection reports.

2670 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

2671 MATTERS OF LOCAL INTEREST OR CONCERN

a. Street Signage

Members considered correspondence received from a resident regarding additional street signage within the village, in particular directing visitors to Rectory Road and Church Lane.

RESOLVED:-

To write to Newport City Council requesting additional signage in the village directing visitors to Rectory Road and Church Lane.

2672 CORRESPONDENCE LIST

Members received and considered correspondence set out in the schedule emailed to members prior to the meeting.

2673 PLANNING MATTERS

None.

2674 FURTHER COMMENTS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

Members were advised that there would be a short presentation from Tidal Lagoon Power at the next meeting of the Community Council which will be open to the public.

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DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next ordinary meeting of Llanvaches Community Council will take place on Tuesday, 16th February at 7.00pm in the Church Hall, Llanvaches.

The meeting closed at 8.00pm.

Signed CHAIRMAN

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