

LLANVACHES COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Llanvaches Community Council Held via Zoom remote meetings on Tuesday, 16th March 2021 at 7pm

Present

Chairman:	Cllr Dan Boulton
Councillors:	E Addis, K James, D Kew, C Wynn
City Councillor:	R Mogford
In Attendance:	Mrs Lucy Allen (Clerk)
Public Attendance:	3

3402 Apologies for absence

None.

3403 Declarations of interest in items on the agenda

Cllr Boulton declared an interest in **item 3409(c) Glebelands Football Field** and did not participate in voting on this item.

3404 Minutes

Cllr Addis proposed that the minutes of the ordinary meeting of Council on Tuesday, 16th February 2021 be accepted as a true record, seconded by Cllr Wynn and agreed unanimously. Cllr James proposed that the minutes of the extraordinary meeting of Council on Tuesday, 2nd March be accepted as a true record, seconded by Cllr Addis and agreed unanimously, The minutes will be signed at the next available opportunity due to the Covid-19 restrictions.

3405 Matters arising from the minutes

Item 3388 Webcam Purchase – It was agreed that as the Community Council had purchased the webcam that this becomes an asset of the Council and listed accordingly on the asset register.

3406 Financial Matters

a. **Payment of Accounts**

Payee	Description	Cheque Number	Amount
L Allen	Clerks Salary – December	Standing Order	£217.53
Vision ICT	New Website final payment	001012	£390.00
L Allen	Expenses Claim	001013	£168.14
	Includes Postage £24.42		
	Webcam £71.14		
	2 x Zoom £28.78		
	Defib pads £43.80		

TOTAL **£775.67**

Cllr Kew proposed that the above payments be approved, 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 February 2021 was confirmed.

3407 COUNCIL MANAGEMENT MATTERS

a. Outstanding queries from previous meetings

Members received and considered the list of outstanding queries awaiting completion following Community Council meetings as follows:

Footbridge: Newport City Council have responded regarding the kissing gate under agenda item 3409 (b).

Drains: no update received, item to be kept on list.

Glebelands Field Gate – contractor had been met on site, awaiting quotation.

b. Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Annual Report - February 2021

Members noted the contents of the report available at:

<https://gov.wales/independent-remuneration-panel-wales-annual-report-2021-2022>

Section 13 relevant to Town and Community Councils.

3408 Ward Member's Report

Ward Councillor's reported the following:

Many issues across the ward which are being discussed with Newport City Council and a PDF presentation will be given at the next Community Council meeting.

Making people safer initiative is a priority and covers more than just the A48 and includes footpaths, highways and byways. The initiative focuses on helping everyone from drivers, pedestrians, dog walkers and horse riders to co-exist in the same areas.

3409 PLAYING FIELD MATTERS

a. Fortnightly Inspection Report

Members received the fortnightly inspection report and noted that there is concern over one of the trees in the playing field which will be monitored. In addition, there is a gap in the football field which needs to be filled with hedge.

b. Footbridge in Glebelands Football Field

Members noted the response from Newport City Council regarding the gate at the end of the new footbridge: *The current practice with regards to structures and furniture on footpaths is that anything we now place along a path is considered an obstacle.*

This is driven by the DDA (disability discrimination act) which NCC must comply with and the only justification is for the security of stock animals so there was no plan to replace it.

Resolved:

To discuss with Newport City Council the access to the bridge and see if a ramp can be added as it does not seem to be DDA compliant in its current form.

c. Glebelands Football Field

Members considered correspondence received requesting permission to plant beech saplings to connect an existing hedge with the saplings already planted behind the post and wire fence in the football field.

Resolved:

That no saplings are to be planted on Church in Wales land that is leased by Llanvaches Community Council.

3410 Public Participation

Dog on leads and fouling – It was noted that there had been an increase in people letting their dogs off leads and dog fouling in the area. Ward Councillors Routley advised that he would contact Environmental Health to see if a leaflet drop could be carried out in the village reminding people of the laws and bylaws.

No man's land – The meeting discussed the issue of unregistered land in the village and were advised that much of the land owned by the Crown, the aristocracy, and the Church has not been registered, because it has never been sold, which is one of the main triggers for compulsory registration. This leads to some people thinking that unregistered land is not owned by anyone or refer to it as 'no man's land'.

Newport City Council Local Development Plan – The meeting was asked for an update on the plan of the review of the Local Development Plan in terms of the village. Ward Councillor Ray Mogford advised that specific issues which had been raised directly with him had been referred to the City Council and that ongoing discussions were being held in terms of flooding, speed and potholes. In terms of the Local Development Plan it is a consultation and everyone will have an opportunity to have their say and that the Councillors will work together with the village.

3411 Matters of local interest or concern

a. Bollards

Members noted that the bollards in the village are damaged and that the Clerk will contact the City Council to discuss replacement.

3412 Correspondence List

The meeting received the correspondence set out in the schedule.

3413 Planning Matters

a. Consultation – Newport Local Development Plan 2011-2026 Supplementary Planning Guidance

Members considered a response to the consultation on the below draft documents which have been prepared to supplement policies in the Adopted Local Development Plan. Copies are available to download from the Council website www.newport.gov.uk/haveyoursay

- Shopfront Design SPG
- Affordable Housing SPG (amended)
- Flat Conversions SPG (amended)

Resolved:

Not to submit a response as there is very little in this part of the consultation that will affect the village however it was noted that the guidance is comprehensive and had thoroughly the aesthetics and environment.

b. Pre-Planning Consultation

Members considered correspondence received from Newport City Council regarding a pre planning consultation for proposed communications installation for Cellnex at Hillcrest Farm, Llanvaches.

Resolved:

Members noted that this is an upgrade of an existing mast and to submit no comments to this pre planning consultation.

3414 Further comments for future consideration

None.

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Date of next meeting

Confirmed that the next ordinary meeting will take place on Tuesday, 20th April 2021 at 7.00pm via Zoom meetings.

Prior to closing the meeting, the Chairmen requested that the Members present consider excluding the press and public to discuss a confidential item received too late for the agenda for information.

Resolved:

To exclude the press and public due to the confidential nature of the following item.

Confidential Item

Members noted confidential items received too late for the agenda, for information.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm

Signed CHAIRMAN **Date.....**