LLANVACHES COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Llanvaches Community Council held via Zoom remote meetings on Tuesday, 15th March 2022 at 7pm

Present:

Chair: Cllr C Wynn

Councillors: E Addis, C Bevan, D Boulton, K James, D Kew

City Councillor:

In Attendance: Mrs Lucy Allen (Clerk)

Public Attendance: 1

3553 Apologies for absence

None.

3554 Declarations of interest in items on the agenda

None.

3555 Minutes

Cllr James proposed that the minutes of the Ordinary meeting of Council on Tuesday, 15th February 2022 be accepted as a true record, seconded by Cllr Kew and agreed unanimously. The minutes will be signed at the next available opportunity due to the Covid-19 restrictions.

3556 Matters arising from the minutes

None.

3557 Financial Matters

a. Payment of Accounts

Payee Descri	ption	Cheque Number	Amount
L Allen	Clerks Salary	Standing Order	£217.53
Wicksteed	Annual Inspection	001033	£103.20
L Allen	Zoom Feb & Mar	001034	£28.78
L Allen	Expenses	001035	£50.84
Gilgal Chapel	Donation	001036 `	£100.00
Bethany Chapel	Donation	001037	£100.00
Llanvaches PCC	Donation	001038	£100.00
Tabernacle Church	Donation	001038	£100.00
Greenleif Landscape	Christmas Tree	001039	£120.00
Total			£920.35

Cllr Wynn 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 2022 was confirmed.

c. Pay Award 2021 - 2022

Members considered the National Joint Council pay award for 2021 – 2022.

Resolved:

To approve the National Joint Council pay award for 2021 -2022 and, as recommended, to back date the payment to 1st April 2021. Proposed by Cllr James, seconded by Cllr Addis and approved unanimously.

3558 COUNCIL MANAGEMENT MATTERS

a. Outstanding queries from previous meetings

Members considered the report and noted the following:

Bollards at Tabernacle – chased and no update to date.

Millbrook Lane road damage – noted the update that the work will be completed.

Road Sweeping – noted that the NCC Ward Councillors have been forwarded the correspondence.

<u>Letter to NCC re RLDP</u> – letter sent awaiting response

<u>Tree inspection</u> – inspection due to be carried out 7.3.22

<u>Algae and moss</u> – to obtain costs from NCC to carry out a routine treatment through the winter months to limit the growth ready for the summer.

b. Road Safety A48

Members considered the response, compiled by Cllr Bevan, to Monmouthshire County Council in regards road safety on the A48.

Resolved:

To approve and send the email to Monmouthshire County Council in regards their response to road safety on the A48. Proposed by Cllr Bevan, seconded by Cllr Wynn and agreed 5 votes to 1.

3559 Ward Member Report

No ward members present.

3560 Playing Field Matters

a. Fortnightly Inspection Report

Members received the fortnightly inspection report and noted the ongoing issue with the mole hills and it was suggested that they be raked for safety issues.

b. Annual Inspection

Members received and noted the comments made in the annual inspection:

Pedestrian Self Closing Gate – Moderate Risk

Comment by inspector: There are openings that are less than 12 mm that could trap or crush fingers – Action: Where possible a 12 mm gap should be maintained on both sides or between the gate leafs

Cable Runway Kompan Ltd – Moderate Risk

Comments by inspector: The seat is less than 2.0 metres from the post when extended at 45 degrees at the end of the area of travel and does not meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 4

Action: Adjust the cable stop position to ensure the minimum distance is maintained at terminus and start buffer stop se to centre of start mound.

Embankment Slide - Moderate Risk

Finding 1 - The surface has eroded in some areas – Reinstate the surface

Finding 2 - There is algae or moss growth on the surface resulting in slippery conditions – Clean and treat appropriately.

Log Climber – Moderate Risk

Finding 1 - There is algae or moss on the surface of the equipment – clean and treat appropriately.

Finding 2 - There is algae or moss growth on the surface resulting in slippery conditions -

clean and treat appropriately

Seat Paving Slabs – Moderate Risk

Finding 1 - The surface has eroded in some areas creating trip points. – Reinstate the surface.

Second Seat Paving Slabs – Moderate Risk

Finding 1 - The surface has eroded in some areas creating trip points —Reinstate the surface.

RESOLVED:

To obtain quotations to have the works completed.

c. Tree Works - Glebelands Football Field

Members considered the request for a resident to have some tree works carried out in Glebelands Football Field.

Resolved:

To agree in principle the work subject to sight of the public liability insurance certificate and a site meeting with Cllrs Bevan, James and Kew to discuss and agree the works.

3561 Public Participation

Representatives from Llanvaches Residents Society Group outlined their plans for the Jubilee Celebrations on Thursday, 2nd June 2022.

3562 Matters of local interest or concern

None.

3563 Correspondence List

i. The meeting received the correspondence set out in the schedule.

ii Members considered correspondence received from a Llanvaches Residents Social Group regarding the Queens Jubilee celebrations.

Resolved:

To support the Llanvaches Residents Social Group (LRSG) with the following:

- 1. Closure of Wentwood Drive / Castle Drive on Thursday, 2nd June 2022 to facilitate a street party (LRSG will undertake to apply and operate the closure);
- 2. Green Canopy Tree Planting initiative the Community Council are to consider locations and obtain approval from landowners;
- 3. With regards to the Queens Jubilee Beacon, the Community Council to apply to the street lighting department of Newport Council to arrange for use of the Street lighting unit situated on the village green to power some lights that can be set up on the village green. This will provide a focal point like a beacon but will have a long-term benefit to the village which can then be used for the Christmas lights as well.
- 4. Agreed in principle to contribute to the gift idea for children to celebrate this event. Alternatively to plant a time capsule.
- 5. Cllr Boulton to work with the LRSG to enable a link back to the Community Council.

3564 Planning Matters

a. Planning Applications

Members considered the following planning applications:

22/0084 - Little Whitebrook, Whitebrook Lane, Llanvaches

Retrospective application for the retention of existing conservatory and lower ground floor extension.

Observation: Members noted that this is a retrospective planning application and submit no objections.

b. Replacement Local Development Plan (RLDP) Subgroup

Members received the RLDP newsletter for March 2022 and noted that Councillors are to forward available dates to Cllr Bevan to meet with from Newport City Council will be circulated by email.

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3566 Date of next meeting

Confirmed that the next ordinary meeting will take place on Tuesday, 19th April 2022 at 7.00pm via Zoom meetings.

The meeting closed at 8.00pm		
Signed	.CHAIR	Date