

# LLANVACHES COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Llanvaches Community Council held via Zoom remote meetings on Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> April 2022 at 7pm

Present:

Chair: Cllr C Wynn

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

City Councillor:

In Attendance: Mrs Lucy Allen (Clerk)

Public Attendance: 1

## 3566 Apologies for absence

None.

## 3567 Declarations of interest in items on the agenda

None.

## 3568 Minutes

Cllr James proposed that the minutes of the Ordinary meeting of Council on Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> March 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.

## 3569 Matters arising from the minutes

None.

## 3570 Financial Matters

### a. Payment of Accounts

Payee	Description	Cheque Number	Amount
L Allen	Clerks Salary	Standing Order	£224.62
Newport CC	Grounds Maint Q1	001041	£411.90
<b>Total</b>			<b>£636.51</b>

Cllr Kew proposed that the above payments be approved, seconded by Cllr Wynn and agreed unanimously.

### b. Cash Book and Bank Reconciliation

The adoption and reconciliation of the Community Council's bank accounts for March 2022 was confirmed.

### c. One Voice Wales annual membership

Members considered the renewal of the One Voice Wales annual membership.

#### Resolved:

To renew the annual membership with One Voice Wales at a cost of £60.00 (LGA 1972, s111).

### d. 4<sup>th</sup> quarter budget monitoring report

Members noted the 4<sup>th</sup> budget monitoring report.

## 3571 COUNCIL MANAGEMENT MATTERS

### a. Outstanding queries from previous meetings

Members considered the report and noted the following:

Bollards at Tabernacle – remove item from report as no response from Newport City Council despite numerous emails.

Millbrook Lane road damage – remove from report and forward the information to the Ward Councillors to request that they take the issue forward

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

Letter to NCC re RLDP – letter sent awaiting response

Tree inspection – obtain quotations for removal of tree in the football field as per the inspection.

#### **b. Annual Report**

Members considered the Annual Report for 2021 – 2022.

#### **Resolved:**

To approve and publish the Annual Report for 2021 – 2022.

### **3572 Ward Member Report**

No ward members present due to the upcoming Council Elections.

### **3573 Playing Field Matters**

#### **a. Fortnightly Inspection Report**

Members received the fortnightly inspection report and noted

- 1) NCC has sprayed moss under play equipment.
- 2) Grass is very long in both playing fields, first cut was on 8 April 2022 therefore the second cut is due on 22<sup>nd</sup> April. Request that Newport City Council grass cutters to cut low and mulch up grass.

#### **b. Tree works**

Members considered correspondence from the Tree Officer at Newport City Council and noted the following:

- 1) Silver birch in Children's Playing Field hedge looks like it is on the resident's inside boundary to Playing Field hedge - looks green and full leaf.
- 2) Football Field Ash Dieback Trees: T1 and T2 should be observed over the leafing period to assess their stage of infection. T3 - The ash tree by telephone pole and road it is recommended to be felled due to its position. T4 not mentioned in report.

#### **Resolved:**

- 1) To request clarification from the Tree Officer on potential issues of the Silver Birch in the Playing Field as it is currently green and in full leaf.
- 2) To obtain quotations for the felling of the ash tree in the Football Field but also to ask what the potential costs will be for all trees to be felled. In addition to contact the agent of the Church in Wales to request clarification on tree works as it is not detailed in the lease.

### **3574 Public Participation**

- 1) Concerns raised that the grass had not been cut in the playing field.
- 2) Road sign at the end of Tabernacle Lane had not been updated.

### **3575 Matters of local interest or concern**

- 1) Fly tipping in Millbrook Lane near the Reservoir – to be reported to Newport City Council.

### **3576 Correspondence List**

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

ii Members considered correspondence from Llanvaches Residents Social Group (LRSO) regarding the Queens Jubilee celebrations received too late for the agenda. Members noted progress to date:

1. Closure of Wentwood Drive for a street party - *LRSO have applied to NCC and are awaiting a response*
2. Green Canopy Tree Planting initiative - *The Community Council will not be planting trees on leased land but encourage LRSO to engage with residents on this initiative.*
3. 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. *Awaiting response from NCC.*
4. Agreed in principle to contribute to the gift idea for children to celebrate this event. Alternatively to plant a time capsule. *Full details to be submitted to LCC for approval at the next meeting.*
5. Cllr Boulton to work with the LRSO to enable a link back to the Community Council.

### **3577 Planning Matters**

#### **a. Planning Applications**

Members considered the following planning applications:

**22/0240** - Trostrey Cottage, Trostry Lane, Llanvaches  
Single storey extension and new entrance porch to existing cottage.

**Observations: Llanvaches Community Council submit no objections.**

**22/0248** - Lower Millbrook Farm, Millbrook Lane, Llanvaches  
Demolition of remains of existing derelict barn and its replacement with a new structure to include the adaptation of existing walls to former piggeries and re-roofing, provision of 38m<sup>2</sup> photovoltaic array on new roof and new hedge planting to existing driveway to enclose hardstanding

**Observations: Llanvaches Community Council submit no objections to the application but have concerns that any works in this area will exacerbate the existing issue with excessive water on the lane from the spring. Proposed by Cllr Wynn, seconded by Cllr Boulton and agreed 4 votes to 1.**

**22/0278** - Tripp Farm, Gray Hill Road, Llanvaches  
Demolish side structure and rear lean to, construct a double two storey side and rear extension and singles storey rear lean to, rebuild existing garage and construction a bat house.

**Observations: Llanvaches Community Council submit no objections.**

#### **b. Revised Local Development Plan**

There are no updates to date, Members to agree a date to meet with Newport City Council once the elections are over. Members will meet as residents.

### **3578 Further comments for future consideration**

Members discussed the process to be re-elected or co-opted onto the Council following the election.

### **3579 Date of next meeting**

Confirmed that the Annual meeting will take place on Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> May 2022 at 7.00pm via Zoom meetings.

The meeting closed at 8.29pm

Signed .....CHAIR

Date.....