### LLANYBYDDER COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## MEETING 25 APRIL 2023 – ABERDUAR CHAPEL VESTRY

In attendance: D Owen, Chairperson, J Furber, T Gordon, L Jones, N Morris, C Wagner.

Absent: K Jones.

Permission for two Notices of Co-option were received from Electoral Services in respect of E Jones (North Ward) and P Baker (South Ward), and were displayed by the Clerk in Llanybydder and Rhydcymerau.

D Owen, Vice Chairperson was automatically made Chairperson for the coming year. Voting took place for the new Vice Chairmanship which resulted in a vote with the outcome being even. This will now take place at our next meeting, so please try and be present.

A Notice of Vacancy was received from Electoral Services in respect of I Bell, and was displayed by the Clerk.

#### **MINUTES**

Minutes were confirmed as incorrect.

#### LLANYBYDDER MATTERS

#### THE PARK

Three quotations were received. Adventure Playgrounds £30,204.00 + vat. Proludic £31,760.59 + vat. Redlynch £32,470.00 + vat. At our meeting Adventure Playgrounds was the most favourable but our Council would like another site meeting with them before reaching a final decision. Clerk is to contact Gareth to arrange this meeting.

Clerk is to contact Angharad Williams, Solicitor, in respect of Mr Garside.

In between meetings the Clerk was instructed to call Holey Moley to see to the mole problem at the park. Pay Invoice £86.00 from Holey Moly.

## PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

Pay Invoice EDF -1/3/23 - 31/2/23 £48.39. The cleaning of the toilets will be discussed at our next meeting. Councillors to take a look at the toilets please.

## **TEN TOWNS**

A gap funding was made available under the Ten Towns Leader Fund, which would be the difference from our previous funding of £7428.48 to make it up to £10,000.00. An emergency Teams meeting took place in April 23 where it was decided what the gap funding should be used for. Purchases had to be made and paid for before the 26/4/23, hence our emergency Teams meeting. Purchases made were as follows:-

Harcules Outdoors Ltd - 5 gazebos - £999.95.

Amazon - Gazebo weights - £99.94.

Lois Designs - 3 mesh banners - £174.00.

Amazon - 5 tables - £299.75.

Amazon - 2 hazard tapes - £9.90.

Amazon - Cable protectors - £63.99.

Amazon - 2 sets cones - £109.98.

Amazon - High Viz vests - £9.99.

Amazon - Trolley - £49.95.

D Mulholland – stalls management fees - £500.16.

TOTAL £2317.61 including Vat.

There is more generous funding available from the Shared Prosperity Fund in the very near future. L Morris will keep us informed when the next meeting will take place.

#### FLOWERS POTS ETC

The Tender was displayed and only one reply was received from Lyn Jones for £4540.00. This includes the purchase of all flowers, car park Llanybydder, Heol Y Dderi, by the Church, Millennium Garden including trimming of trees, cleaning of all pots before painting, paint, fertilizer, all watering, fuel, slug pellets and all strimming as required, and includes Rhydcymerau. Clerk is to give him the go-ahead.

## 2 HANDYMEN TENDER

This Tender was prepared by D Owen. It was displayed on our website and local notice board. Two applications were received but our Council decided none of them met the criteria required.

#### **DEFIBRILLATOR CABINET - CALON HEARTS**

The cabinet has now been delivered. Eddie Davies has been contacted in respect of the installation.

## FLATS OPPOSITE THE SCHOOL, ALBION TERRACE

There is still rubbish there. D Owen is going to ask for a second bin.

#### STATION TERRACE SIGN LEANING

Reply received from Andrew Jones. This work has been carried out.

NEW POSTS & FENCING NEEDED GWRDY LANE - Repair fence including hiring of post knocker & tractor.

REPAIR GATE POST BY THE ENTRANCE OF PARK – Repair gatepost.

CUT OVERGROWN TREES BY THE TENNIS COURT – As header.

REPAIR FENCE AT MILLENNIUM GARDEN – As header.

As there was no success with the Handymen, the only tender we received was from Lyn Jones for carrying out the above four works at £975.00 total. Clerk is to give him the go-ahead.

## MEMORIAL GARDEN - ROTTEN TREE

It is going to be removed by DTS.

## MOSS & LEAVES PROBLEM ON PAVEMENTS

Reply received from Andrew B Jones. The area ganger has been clearing and blowing moss and leaves at this area, but will check again. Clerk is to tell him there is still glass and moss not cleared.

# OLD ROY THOMAS SHOP - TREE ON PAVEMENT

The pavement has been made safer but they will now look at the roots.

#### No 1 CROSS HANDS

Food is still being thrown out at this area. Clerk is to contact the Environmental Services.

# **BRYNDUAR OBSTRUCTION**

Clerk is to contact the Police.

#### STREET LIGHTS

Steps going down to the RFC car park. The bottom lights are still not working. Clerk is to contact the Authorities.

# WALL BY ROY THOMAS FARM SUPPLIES

Reply received from Andrew B Jones. He has forwarded our email on to the Bridges & Structures team who are dealing with it.

#### **POTHOLES**

Some work has been carried out. Letter to be sent to Andrew B Jones. There are potholes on the Bakery road, top of Cross Hands coming from the village towards the Cross Hands Hotel, and Siop Y Bont.

# LITTLE GATE ENTRANCE INTO LANE RHYDYBONT – NEXT DOOR TO AFALLON Reply received from Andrew B Jones. This work has been carried out.

## FOOTBALL PARKING

Clerk has been in contact with Lucy, JFC and will look in to the matter as soon as possible.

#### KINGS CORONATION

The RFC was suggested due to the size of the property, and a quote was given by Angharad RFC for supplying food for the children for £420.00. Pin badges are to be ordered as a gift for each child at the price of £183.00. Severn C Products Ltd - On checking for prices, this was the only company left that could supply what we required. Pay £183.00 including vat. Clerk will call an emergency meeting to discuss this matter further as time has gone by. K Jones is to book the Elvis lookalike for £150.00. Posters are to be prepared and to be distributed by the Clerk. It was great to hear our Council has been very lucky in winning very near to £500.00 (carrier bags money received at Nissa, which will be paid direct into our Current A/c).

## ROY THIOMAS AND SON LTD - NOTICE BOARD RFC CAR PARK

Pay Invoice £264.00 received from Roy Thomas & Sons for the notice board repairs near the RFC. Letter to be sent to D Thomas to ask him for a quote for an annual inspection and upkeep of our 3 notice boards in the village and the ones in Rhydcymerau. Ask him if it would be possible for the backs of some of our notice boards be replaced by cork or pin board sheets to make it easier for the use of drawing pins. Clerk is to speak to Councillors again as she finds no difficulty in using Blu Tack.

## REQUEST FOR DONATION

Llanybydder Senior Citizens. The Clerk declared an interest due to the organiser being a close family member. This will be noted by the Clerk on the Declaration of Interest Register. Next meeting.

## WORK TRUCK PARKED O/S ABERDUAR CHAPEL VESTRY

Letter to be sent to the user of this truck asking him not to park in front of this Vestry as when people want to park there when they visit the graveyard, it is not possible to do so due to this truck.

#### LLANYBYDDER SCHOOL GOVERNORS YSGOL LLANYBYDDER SCHOOL

Letter received from Tanja Neumayer-James. There is a vacancy for one additional Governor on the Governing Body of Llanybydder School. Clerk is to reply to say that unfortunately there are no names to put forward for this purpose from Llanybydder Community Council at present.

#### RHYDCYMERAU MATTERS

## PARK, RHYDCYMERAU

There is still rubbish here. Email received from Maria Evans. The rubbish and the old trailer will be picked up shortly. D Owen is keeping an eye on the situation.

## CHAIN LINK FENCING AROUND PLAY PARK AND MESH AROUND THE BOTTOM

Reply received from Maria Evans, and advised us the fencing has been renewed, which is correct, but what is needed here is the mesh around the bottom fence which is broken; it is the other fence between the park and the field. L Jones is to check the mesh, but Maria Evans would like a photo of this mesh.

# SOUTH WARD - RHYDCYMERAU

The Electoral Services sent the map showing the North & South wards boundaries.

## OLD SHELTER IN THE PARK

Pay Invoice £85.00 received from L Jones for removing and disposal of the old shelter.

## FLOWER TROUGH AT RHYDCYMERAU

There is one flower trough in Rhydcymerau in a place that is not good for flowers. L Jones asked for permission to move this trough to Llanybydder and replace it with a smaller trough. J Furber had no objection to this happening so L Jones can now continue with this task.

## SPEEDING PROBLEMS AT RHYDCYMERAU B4337

The road approach is the North side of Rhydcymerau; the right hand bend with a left turn towards Esgairdawe (Glan Heulog Road). This road continues straight and down hill past 3 houses before entering a 30mph speed limit as the bridge narrows. Currently vehicles are travelling at national road speed 60mph with a narrow bridge, with no pavements for pedestrians. This is an accident waiting to happen by vehicles meeting each other on the bridge especially if a pedestrian walks across the bridge. Huge agricultural vehicles and lorries travel as fast as some cars, with some vehicles exceeding the 60mph limit. Clerk is to write to Highways to ask if for the 30mph be expanded and a 40mph speed limit be installed before the turn on to Glan Heulog road. We need to request a warning pedestrian walking sign due to pedestrians walking on the road, ask for speed cameras along with occasional safety camera partnership checks, and "slow down" markings to be painted on the road past the houses on the downhill into the narrow bridge.

## **GENERAL MATTERS**

NATWEST BANK

Current A/c Bank statement No 497 to 499 Balance £37995.02.

D Owen is still attempting to contact E Jones and will do her best to sort this matter out.

Business Reserve A/c 116 4450.29.

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**HSBC BANK** 

Bank Statement 140 Balance £3939.01.

TALK TALK

Invoice April 23 - £45.32.

BT

Invoice April 23 £43.28.

M Y BEYNON

April 03 Salary £1060.80 Less Tax £212.00 = £848.80.

H M R C £212.00 Tax

## ANNUAL AUDIT - INTERNAL AUDITOR - YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2023.

The completion of audit paperwork was received for year ending 31 March 2022 from Audit Wales. There were no matters that needed to be addressed from the audit which was great news. Clerk is to display the Annual Return in one of our notice boards and on our website. The Notice of Conclusion of Audit is also to be displayed. The Annual Return for year ending 31/3/23 was received from Derryk Evans, Audit Wales. Clerk will now prepare the necessary and forward the accounts to our Internal Auditor.

#### CHARITY COMMISSION ANNUAL RETURN

Reply received from the Charity Commission. Clerk is going to bring this reply to our next meeting for further discussion.

#### TEN TOWNS PAYMENT GRANT

This Remittance Advice received from Carms CC for £7428.48 was wrongly noted on our last minutes as PRECEPT, by the Clerk. This payment was for the grant claimed from the Ten Town Leader Fund in respect of the purchase of the gazebos etc for the market stalls.

#### CODE OF CONDUCT TRAINING

Letter received from Mr Robert Edgecombe with details of all types of training. The Clerk replied to him as follows:-

M Y Beynon and D Owen – Both on Zoom - 24/7/23 - 6pm.

N Morris, Tania Gordon, J Furber, K Jones, C Wagner & L Jones - All on recording.

#### HIGHMEAD SCHOOL

Email received from Natalie Lawrence who was trying to locate the owner of this old Highmead School. She has an interest to lease some of this property. Clerk is to reply to this lady and tell her that despite various enquires we have no idea who and where the owner is.

## CARMS CC – ANNUAL FOOTWAY LIGHTING CHARGES

Pay Invoice £5923.02. 1/4/22 - 31/3/23.

#### CARMS CC - RECHARGE FOR COMMUNITY ELECTIONS

Pay Invoice £323.32 for elections held 2022/23.

#### BHIB COUNCILS INSURANCE

Pay Renewal notice received £1398.33. The other 2 quotes received; 1 company no longer offered Council Insurance, and the other was £1602.00 which was more expensive.

#### ON LINE PAYMENTS

Holey Moley	£ $86.00$
EDF	48.39
Severn C Products	183.00
Roy Thomas & Sons	264.00
L Jones	85.00
M Y Beynon Apr 23 Salary	£848.80
H M R C Tax	212.00
Carms CC (Footway lighting)	5923.02
Carms CC (Election charges)	323.32
BHIB Insurance Ltd	1398.33
D Mulholland	500.16
Lois Design	174.00

PLANNING

None.

Donations to date: \$137 \pm \pm 0.00 \quad \$19 \pm \pm 0.00

Meeting closed 9.45pm.

NEXT MEETING ABERDUAR CHAPEL VESTRY TUESDAY – 30 MAY 2023 - 7.00pm