



CEG Minutes 21/07/2020

LLANHARAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

**2 Chapel Road
Llanharan
CF72 9QA**

Minutes of the **Community Engagement Group (helping to set the direction of the council)** held by video link at 7pm on Tuesday 21st July, 2020.

The meeting was held in accordance with:

The Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Meetings) (Wales) Regulations 2020 - enabling meetings of local authorities held before 1st May 2021 to be held by means of remote attendance.

Present: Councillors Chris Parker (Chair), Rhys Jenkins and Janine Turner.

Catherine Kennedy (Acting Clerk) plus one member of the public.

1. Chair and Deputy Chair

It was unanimously agreed that Cllr Chris Parker would chair the meeting on this occasion.

2. Apologies for absence

There were no apologies for absence from members.

3. Disclosures of personal and prejudicial interests

There were no declarations of personal or prejudicial interests in accordance with the members code of conduct.

4. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 10th March, 7.15pm at Llanharan OAP Hall were approved as a true record of proceedings subject to the following amendment: *Janine Turner attended as a co-optee to the community engagement group prior to her co-option as a member of the council.*

5. a. Planters

It was noted that 8 new planters are now in situ around the community and 6 new troughs placed at the entrances to the villages.



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b. Park Benches

It was noted that the benches in William Street, Brynna and the entrance to Dyffryn Crescent, Bryncae, have been replaced and 2 new benches are being purchased – one for the bottom of Oakbrook and one for next to the bus shelter opposite Dolau primary school in Bryncae.

c. Frontage of Bridgend Rd

It was noted that the loose stones at the front of the Bridgend Rd allotments have been replaced with top-soil and turf resulting in a far safer surface next to the busy road.

6. Open discussion forum

a. Cllr Chris Parker noted that council had agreed to a new 2 -year contact for hiring an extra 35 Christmas motifs with the current suppliers **Festive Lighting Ltd** to terminate at the same time as the current 3-year contract.

b. Cllr Chris Parker noted that council are planning to replace a number of bus shelters in the community over the coming months.

c. A member of the public initiated a discussion on the issue of Japanese Knotweed and Himalayan Balsam within the community.

d. Cllr Janine Turner asked if a similar initiative to the placement of dog poop bags around Brynna could be active in Llanharan.

e. Cllr Chris Parker reported that footpath improvements, funded from community infrastructure levy (CIL) monies had been agreed and were soon to take place between Woodview and the Green in Brynna.

f. Cllr Chris Parker noted that the back of Church View – Tan y Bryn will be upgraded to a bridleway, funded by CIL monies.

g. Cllr Rhys Jenkins raised the issue of parking problems at Enterprise Way when football games are taking place, Cllr Chris Parker responded that with the construction of the by-pass, the problem should resolve.

h. A member of the public noted that the best route for a walkway between Terrys Way and Authors Place through to Jubilee Street would need further investigations to take place in partnership with the Rhondda Cynon Taff footpath team.

- i. It was noted that the plan for a bridge at Bryncae Railway crossing would need co- operation with Persimmon Homes and landowners.

- j. A member of the public raised a question on the future of the Brynna community garden. It was agreed to discuss at a later meeting following the lifting of social distancing restrictions.

The committee agreed:

- a) To recommend the council include funds for 2 new planters to replace the old ones in the village square in the 2021/22 budget.

- b) To recommend the council remove the Mountain Hare as a location for a new bus shelter due to the difficulties involved with working around telegraph poles placed at the bus stop site.

- c) To recommend the council replace the bus shelter outside Mid Glamorgan Construction with a new cantilever one.

- d) To recommend to the council that all bus shelters and benches in the community be added to the grounds staff monthly schedule for cleaning.

- e) To recommend the council contact Rhondda Cynon Taff Council to request advice and information on Japanese Knotweed and Himalayan Balsam.

- f) To recommend that council liaise with the Llanharan Community Development Project regarding a project to place dog poop bags around popular dog walking areas in Llanharan.

The next meeting will be held by video link at 7pm, Tuesday 15th September 2020.

The meeting closed at 8pm

Councillor Chris Parker
Chair of the CEG
Committee Chair of the
Council

Signature: _____



Christopher Parker (Dec 8, 2020 22:18 GMT)