



LLANHARAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council meeting held by remote attendance, 7.00pm on Thursday, 18 March 2021.

The meeting was held in accordance with:

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

Members Present:

Councillors; Chris Parker (Chair), Jeff Williams, Parmindra Pannu, Pam Uppal, Rhys Jenkins, Serkan Aksin, Will Thomas, Janine Turner, Rob Lewis-Watkin (Deputy Chair), Roger Turner, Helen Donnan, Daniel Morelli (*arrived in meeting at 7.10pm*), Geraint Hopkins (*left the meeting at 7.15pm*)

Apologies: Cllr. Barry Stephens

Clerk to the Council/Responsible Financial Officer Catherine Kennedy

Assistant Clerk/Project Officer Leigh Smith

2 members of the public.

2020/256 Apologies

RESOLVED

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. Barry Stephens and approved by members.

2020/257 Disclosures of pecuniary, personal and prejudicial interests

There were no disclosures of interests from members.

Note: Cllr. Chris Parker (Chair of the Council) approved a request from Cllr. Geraint Hopkins (Chair of the Human Resources Committee) to bring forward item 7, to allow Cllr Hopkins to leave the meeting immediately after to deal with personal business.

2020/258 Human Resources Committee

The recommendations of the Human Resources Committee held by remote attendance at 7.00pm on Thursday 4th March 2021 were considered.



RESOLVED

The following recommendations were approved:

- a. To accept a quote of £685 from One Voice Wales to oversee the advertising and recruitment process of a Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer.
- b. The delegation of powers to the Human Resources Committee to agree shortlisting and interview dates.

Note: Cllr. Geraint Hopkins left the meeting at 7.15pm.

2020/259 Public Speaking

There were no advance requests from members of the public to speak at the meeting.

2020/260 Minutes

RESOLVED

The minutes for the meeting of the Council held by remote attendance, 7.00pm, Thursday 18th February 2021 were approved as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

2020/261 Extraordinary Meeting

RESOLVED

The minutes of the Extraordinary meeting of the Council held by remote attendance at 7.00pm on Thursday 11th March 2021 were approved as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

2020/262 Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

2020/263 Operation London Bridge

RESOLVED

The adoption of a protocol in the event of 'Operation London Bridge' was approved.

2020/264 Income and Expenditure

RESOLVED

The council income and expenditure report for February 2021 was approved.

2020/265 Member Report

Councillor Roger Turner informed the meeting of a Welsh Government initiative to introduce a 20mph speed restriction on the A473 outside Ysgol Dolau.

The 20mph speed limit will also be extended to include the housing estates opposite namely South View, Trenos Place and Trenos Gardens.



Appropriate signage will be installed throughout the area and this should be in place before the end of the month.

Initially the speed restriction will be on a trial basis and residents will have the opportunity during the first 6 months of raising their objections, if any.

After 6 months, if appropriate, the speed restriction can then be made permanent.

Following the announcement, a discussion took place amongst the members.

Whereas members were happy to hear of the new speed restrictions they expressed their concerns of the excessive traffic speeds currently being experienced throughout our villages especially on the A473 and on the 40mph stretch of road between Brynna and Brynnau Gwynion.

- a) Cllr. Turner informed the meeting of a Welsh Government Pilot Project enforcing 20mph speed limit restrictions in specific areas of Rhondda Cynon Taff. Concerns were raised regarding the lack of signposting in place to enforce the restrictions.

RESOLVED

The Assistant Clerk write to the Police outlining the members concerns.

- b) Cllr. Turner reported that letters were recently sent to residents living adjacent to the land north of the intended bypass, informing them that in the interest of health & safety temporary fencing had been placed in the area. In response to concerns from local walkers, Persimmon Homes (the landowners) confirmed that 1000 acres of land on the southern side is open to the public for walking.

2020/266 Maintenance

The maintenance report for February 2021 was noted.

2020/267 Police Crime Report

The Llanharan and Brynna Police Crime Report for February 2021 was noted.

RESOLVED

The Assistant Clerk write to Police Headquarters requesting a copy of the shift and staffing timetables for the local area.

2020/268 Planning Applications

The following planning applications were considered.

- a. My Ref: 21/0209/10 Date: 10/03/2021 Please ask for: Gregory Smart 01443 281130 PROPOSAL: Garden fencing. LOCATION: 24 RHODFA BRYN RHYDD, TALBOT GREEN, PONTYCLUN, CF72 9FD GRID REF: 303260.236377372, 182701.691440068



b. My Ref: 21/0277/10 Your Ref: Date: 08/03/2021 Please ask for: James Emery
01443 281130 PROPOSAL: Single storey rear extension. LOCATION : 16 RED
ROOFS CLOSE, PENCOED, BRIDGEND, CF35 6P GRID REF: 297804, 182630

c. My Ref: 21/0228/10 Your Ref: Date: 08/03/2021 Please ask for: Guy Watkins
01443 281130 PROPOSAL: Construction of a summerhouse within the rear garden,
construction of a veranda on the side of the existing house forming a porch to the
front door and construction of 2 dormer windows to the front elevation to replace
existing velux roof windows. LOCATION : 16 OAKMEAD ROAD, LLANHARAN,
PONTYCLUN, CF72 9FB CYF GRID/GRID REF: 300152, 183922

d. My Ref: 21/0227/10 Your Ref: Date: 08/03/2021 Please ask for: Laura Heron
01443 281130 PROPOSAL: First floor rear extension. LOCATION : 20 ARGOED
AVENUE, LLANHARAN, PONTYCLUN, CF72 9PJ CYF GRID/GRID REF: 300045,
183293

e. My Ref: 21/0218/10 Your Ref: Date: 24/02/2021 Please ask for: James Emery
01443 281130 PROPOSAL: First floor side extension. LOCATION : 6 HEATHFIELD
CRESCENT, LLANHARAN, PONTYCLUN, CF72 9RU CYF GRID/GRID REF:
299150, 182728

RESOLVED

There were no issues raised for the above planning applications.

All Rhondda Cynon Taff planning applications can be viewed at:

<https://planningonline.rctcbc.gov.uk/online-applications/>

2020/269 Correspondence

Mr Leigh Smith (Assistant Clerk/Project Officer) informed members that several quotes for the Community Infrastructure Levy projects – **construction of a council storage garage and landscaping of the Llanharan Memorial Garden** have been received. He went on to explain that he was waiting for further quotes, therefore, requested members agreement to an extension of the final submission date.

RESOLVED

1) To extend the submission date for final quotes to the next meeting of the Council scheduled for Thursday, 15th April 2021.

2) The following quotes were approved:

- a. Improvements to Parc Bryn Derwen Path, awarded to MT Tarmac. £4,000
- b. Improvements to Path from Meadow Rise across top of Llanharan Cemetery, awarded to MT Tarmac. £6,300



- c. Improvements to Path to Brynna Woods next to Brynna School, awarded to MT Tarmac. £850
- d. Improvements to Enterprise Way footpath at The Bryncae Arms, awarded to Eric Averill. £5,455
- e. Improvements to the lighting on the Lane from Bridgend Road to Parc Bryn (Jeff's lane), awarded to RCTCBC. £11,000

2020/270 Matters of Urgency

At the request of Cllr. Chris Parker (Chair of the Council) requested members approval of the following resolution, with regards to an item of correspondence received that afternoon.

RESOLVED

By virtue of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public are excluded from discussion of the full item on the basis that disclosure thereof would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

A general discussion followed regarding the adoption of a policy for land grab and subsequent actions regarding an ongoing dispute.

RESOLVED

The Assistant Clerk to contact solicitors with a timeline for moving forward the above matter.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting ended at 9.00pm

**Councillor Chris Parker
Chair of Llanharan Community Council**