

LLANTWIT FARDRE COMMUNITY COUNCIL
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Minutes of the Hybrid Meeting of the Leisure and Amenities Committee of Llantwit Fardre Community Council held on Thursday, 20th April, 2023, at 5 p.m. at the Community Council Office, rear of Carnegie Parish Hall, Main Road, Church Village.

PRESENT

Community Councillor A.Green – Chair

Community Councillors

J.James, J.Murphy, A.Raines, D.Stone and G.Warren

In Attendance – Non-Committee Members

Community Councillors R.Butler and K.Johnson

Officers in Attendance

Ms.Karyl May – Clerk & Executive Officer
Mrs.Sue Pickering – Assistant Clerk

32. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

RESOLVED - to note that no apologies for absence had been submitted for this meeting as all Members of the Committee were in attendance.

33. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

RESOLVED – to note that no declarations of interest were made at the meeting pertaining to any items on the agenda.

34. MINUTES

RESOLVED –

1. To approve as an accurate record the Minutes of the meeting of the Leisure and Amenities Committee held on the 17th November, 2022,

subject to it being agreed at Minute No.26 that this Council looks at ways in linking up with RCTCBC and Maesybryn Primary School regarding the possibility of joint funding for the purchase of new equipment especially as there are proposals for a new school to be build in place of the current structure.

To note that these Minutes had been received by Council at its meeting held on the 28th November, 2022.

2. To approve as an accurate record the Minutes of the Reconvened meeting of the Leisure and Amenities Committee held on the 19th December, 2022

To note that these Minutes had been received by Council at its meeting held on the 30th January, 2023.

REPORTS OF THE CLERK

35. MOBILITY AND PEDESTRIAN AIDS PROVISION AT TY ILLTUD CAR PARK

Pursuant to Minute No.24(3) of the meeting of this Committee held on the 17th November, 2022, the Clerk reported on a meeting that took place onsite with the Principal Highways Engineer of RCTCBC, the Chair of this Committee and herself to discuss the proposed works at the Car Park.

Set out in the report were a list of the works required such as the converting of an existing parking bay to a disabled bay together with the costs involved.

A discussion ensued when Members expressed concern with regards to the cost to carry out such works i.e. £5,040 which had not been allocated within the budget and would need to be vired from another budget heading, in all probability 'Play and Park Equipment'.

RESOLVED –

1. that a recommendation be made to Council at its meeting being held on Monday next, 24th April, 2023 to agree the proposed works in the sum of £5.040 + VAT;
2. that the Clerk look into the possibility of financial support being provided by RCTCBC in view of the fact that they will be carrying out highway works in the locality in the near future;

36. COMMEMORATION OF THE COUNCIL'S 50TH JUBILEE – PLANTING OF TREES

With reference to Minute No.30 of this Committee held on the 19th December, 2022, it was reported that the Assistant Clerk had sought costings for various specimen trees, the list of which could be viewed by Members in the Community Council's Office.

It was the suggestion of the Chair that the Council purchases 50 specimen trees to celebrate the 50th Jubilee of the Council, two of their choice for each Council and member of staff accounting for 38 trees, with the remaining 12 to be distributed to local schools, Scouts and Brownies groups.

A general discussion ensued when it was indicated by a Member that one of his constituents, who owns a garden centre had offered trees free of charge to the Council. This matter would be pursued by the Member and his findings would be brought to the attention of the Clerk and subsequently the Committee.

Another Member queried if there was anything else planned to commemorate the Community Council's 50th Anniversary and the Chair reminded him of the paper he circulated previously with suggestions for the Committee to look at, and he requested the Clerk to email copies, once again to Members.

RESOLVED –

1. to approve the initiative as suggested by the Chair i.e. the purchase of 50 specimen trees the costs of which are to be considered by the Finance and Policy Committee and subsequently agreed by Council;
2. the Clerk be requested to look at whether there are grants available from other organisations.

37. DEFERRED ITEM FROM THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 28TH NOVEMBER, 2022

With reference to Minute No.130 of the Council meeting held on the 28th November, 2022, it was reported that Assistant Clerk had checked the names on the plaques in the Carnegie Parish Hall against the list of the Fallen provided by St.Illtud's Church for Remembrance Sunday and there appeared to be some names missing. The British Legion had also been contacted and a response regarding further names of the Fallen in previous conflicts was awaiting.

Councillor James raised the possibility of also having a book available with names of Fallen service men and women and installing a Covid Memorial plaque which would not include names but a commemoration of those who had passed away from Covid.

Members also explored the idea of plaques to remember former Councillors of this Community Council, over the last 50 years.

Following a discussion, it was **RESOLVED –** that further consideration be given to this matter at the next meeting of this Committee.

38. ITEMS REQUESTED BY THE CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE, COMMUNITY COUNCILLOR A.GREEN

(a) Council's Car Park – Ysgol Ty Coch, Tonteg

Members reported that this matter had been raised at the PACT meeting held last evening as staff at Ysgol Ty Coch use the car park which becomes congested at certain times of the day.

Cars were also being parked across the access to the Council's storage area which is located in this area.

RESOLVED - that the Clerk be requested to write to RCTCBC drawing attention to the difficulties caused by staff using this Council's car park.

(b) Purchase of New Notice Boards

RESOLVED – that a report on this matter together with costings and locations be presented to the next meeting of this Committee and thereafter any such recommendations in respect of the costs involved be considered by Members of the Finance and Policy Committee.

39. ITEM REQUESTED BY COMMUNITY COUNCILLOR K.JOHNSON (NON-COMMITTEE MEMBER)

RESOLVED – that the item – “Disability Access – Play Area at the Old Village Hall, Efail Isaf” as requested by Councillor K.Johnson be deferred for consideration at the next meeting of this Committee.

40. CARBON FOOTPRINT

(a) Wildflower Areas

The Chair reported that he had met with the Clerk and the Council's Outside Operatives to discuss areas which could be mowed less frequently to encourage wildflower growth. Suitable signs would be placed in the respective designated areas to show the public that the areas have been left for a reason.

RESOLVED - to note the information and representations be made to RCTCBC to ascertain if there are biodiversity maps available for this Council's use.

(b) Solar Power Panels – Carnegie Parish Hall and Ty Illtud

It was reported that the Assistant Clerk had sought quotes for the installation of solar power panels on the roofs of the Carnegie Parish Hall (excluding the flat roof) and Ty Illtud, to date only one quote had been received.

Following a discussion, it was **RESOLVED** –

1. That further quotes be sought and subsequent energy savings that could be achieved be reported to a meeting of this Committee in order that Members can make an informed decision;
2. that Councillor James make representations at the Senedd to see if there are any grants available.

41. URGENT BUSINESS

The Chair reported that following concerns being raised with the Contractor, work had now progressed at Maesybryn play area.

RESOLVED – that the Chair of this Committee would meet with Councillor Johnson to discuss this matter in further detail.

**AUBREY GREEN
CHAIR**

The meeting closed at 6.20 p.m.

Signed _____ **Date** _____