

Cyngor Cymuned LLANDDEWI BREFI Community Council

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Minutes of the Ordinary meeting held on Monday 11th March 2024 at 7:30pm in the Community Centre.

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Present:

Councillors: Beth Griffiths (Chair), Dafydd Lloyd Jones (Vice-Chair), Rhodri Evans, Eirwen James, Angela Evans, Gareth Jones, Pat Parry, Caryl Haf, Emmanuel Kincaid.

1. To receive apologies

Cllrs: John Griffiths. , PCSO John Evans

2. Personal Matters.

Council extended thanks to everybody who had contributed to make the recent Cawl a Chân event at the Village hall such a successful evening, which had been enjoyed by all.

3. Declarations of interest.

None.

4. Public participation.

None

5. To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 12th February 2024

Proposed to be a correct record by Cllr.Gareth Jones and seconded by Cllr.Eirwen James.

6. Matters arising from the minutes

(Item 13). To receive a report from the Village Hall and Recreation Grounds committee.

With regard to the 7 Wye Audit Survey recently undertaken at the hall, Councillor Kincaid reported that CAVO were now meeting as panel to review all the surveys submitted and decide on the five applicants to take forward.

(Item 14).Questions to the Chair

b) It was acknowledged that no response had been received from NRW with respect to the report submitted about the tree stump lodged in the Brefi near to Pont Llanio.

7. Financial report

a. To approve the bank reconciliation for the period ending 29 February 2024.

Council approved the reconciliation to 31/01/2024 noted the following bank balances:

i. Current account: **£100.00**

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- ii. Reserve account (1): **£1,628.61**
- iii. Reserve account (2): **£5,816.37**

Total all bank balances: **£7,544.98**

Total reconciled balance to agree with cash book at 29/02/2024: **£8,059.29**

Earmarked reserves for defibrillator maintenance: **£1,388.15**

Earmarked reserves for Youth club: **£281.32**

b. Authorisation of payments.

Council approved payments to 29/02/2024:

- i. Staff and confidential payments - (Local Government Act 1972, s.112/ LG (Misc.Provisions) Act 1976 s.19) **£329.00**
- ii. Reimbursement of Clerk's expenses (Zoom Subscription 12/02/2024-11/03/2024), (Local Government Act 1972, s.111) **£ 15.59**
- iii. Reimbursement of Clerk's expenses (Microsoft basic subscription - online storage 02/03/2024-01/04/2024), (Local Government Act 1972, s.111) **£ 1.99**
- iv. Krystal Hosting Ltd (Web hosting 14/03/2024 - 13/03/2025), (Local Government Act 1972, s.111) **£ 84.00**
- v. Krystal Hosting Ltd (Domain name 24/03/2024 - 23/03/2025), (Local Government Act 1972, s.111) **£ 14.39**
- vi. Audit Wales (Ffioedd Archwilio 2021/22 Audit Fees), (Local Government Act 1972, s.111), **£446.00**
- vii. Ceredigion County Council (Planning application fee), (LG (Misc.Provisions) Act 1976 s.19), **£115.00**
- viii. Ceredigion County Council (By-election costs), (Local Government Act 1972, s.111) **£ 3,041.85.**
- ix. Reimbursement of Burial Clerk's expenses (E M Davies - Book of Receipts for Interment Fees Paid), (Local Government Act 1972, s.214) **£27.54**

c. Recurring payments – confirmation of ongoing variable direct debit instructions:

Council approved recurring payments to 29/02/2024:

- i. BT – Hall telephone & broadband 1/11-31/12/2023. (LG (Misc.Provisions) Act 1976 s.19), **£ 52.74**
- ii. Bank charges - Commission charges 13DEC/14JAN(Local Government Act 1972, s.111), **£12.65**

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9. To approve the Council's Statutory Training Plan.

It was noted that the plan currently reflected overall training needs, and it was suggested that this should be amended to reflect requirements for specific members in the coming year. Council approved the training plan and instructed the Clerk to forward a copy to the Local Authority Ethics and Standards Committee.

Proposed : Councillor Dafydd Lloyd Jones

Seconded: Councillor Beth Griffiths.

10. Correspondence

a. Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Annual Report - February 2024 .

Councillors were reminded that they would need to e-mail to the Clerk by 24/04/2024 if they wished not to receive the mandatory payment of £156 as reimbursement for extra costs of working from home for the financial year 2024/2025. Reasonable expenses could still be reimbursed on submission of receipts.

b. Communicaton on behalf of Ben Lake MP : Banking Survey

Noted.

c. Ceredigion County Council

- i. Statutory Notice publication
 - ii. Ceredigion Community Housing Scheme.
- Noted. (To put onto website).*

d. Senedd: Letter from Elin Jones MS

Noted. It was also decided to put a link to the survey on the website.

e. Belltown Power: RE: Feedback and Consultation Response: Llanddewi Brefi Community Council.

The contents were noted, and it was considered that the response did not address the queries put forward by the Council. It was decided that in the forthcoming workshop consultation that Council should consider proposals with respect to potential Community benefit funding by BTP, some of the suggestions included:

- *Extensive refurbishment of the Llanddewi Brefi Village Hall facilities.*
- *Community Shop*
- *Community Bus service*

Councillor Evans to look into and give feedback about similar schemes and related funding from other areas for comparison.

Clerk to confirm most convenient date with BTP to hold the next workshop via Zoom.

Date proposed by members: 27/03/2024 at 7:30 pm

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11. To receive a report from the PCSO

Councillor Parry raised that she had been made aware of resident concerns that frequency of PCSO visits in the community were too infrequent. After consideration, it was decided that Councillor Beth Griffiths would contact the PCSO to request that he attend the Community Caffi event fortnightly.

12. County Councillor's report on matters arising from Ceredigion

Councillor Rhodri Evans reported that there would be a rise in Council tax rates in the new tax year for 24-25. He also confirmed that the library in Lampeter and associated services would be moving shortly to the new Wellbeing centre in town and that new uses for the library building were currently being looked into by the LA.

13. Planning applications

a. Council noted the following decision:

i. A230914; Proposed New dog park with associated works, Land Adjacent to Celfan Llandewi Brefi - Refused

14. To receive a report from the Village Hall and Recreation Grounds committee.

Council extended thanks again to members of Caffi Dewi and all members present who had worked so hard to make the Cawl a Chân event such a success.

It was also noted that the Coronation Grant Funding would need to be spent by April, and the remaining items to be purchased included a Commemorative Bench for the Wildlife Garden, Stage Curtains, and PA equipment for the hall. A contribution would also be made towards the purchase of new picnic tables for Caffi Dewi.

The Hall committee had also received concerns again from Dewi Stars that they had been receiving complaints about dog fouling on the pitch and had made enquiries about when the suggested CCTV may be installed at the Recreation Ground.

An Easter Bingo Event will be held at the hall on 05/04/24 at 7:30 pm.

15. Questions to the Chair.

a) Councillor Eirwen James enquired when there may be a replacement village sign for Llandewi Brefi by Llwyn.

b) Councillor Parry reported that she had made enquiries about free supply of Period Poverty products for the hall, details and delivery arrangements to be confirmed with the Clerk.

c) Councillor Rhodri Evans noted that potholes at Pont Llanio, near Bethesda Chapel and by Bear house had been reported.

d) It was suggested that the 100 Club winning numbers could be reported in the Council's minutes under the hall report.

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e) Councillor Kincaid reported that a local Charity is disposing of a digital projector whiteboard due to being surplus to requirements. It was considered that this would be a good addition to the digital resources for hall users, but that the hall committee would need to approve a suitable donation offer at their next meeting.

16. Date of next meeting

8th April 2024.

The meeting closed at 21:49pm.

Signed:
(Chair)

