

LLANFAIR YN NEUBWLL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council's Meeting - 7.00 pm, 7 September 2021

Present: Councillor Dyfed Williams– Chairman

Councillors: Celfyn Furlong, Gwilym O. Jones, Gordon Owen and Sharon Parry.

Also Present: Mai Owen (Clerk).

1. **Apologies:** Cllrs. Siân Enfys Jones, William Victor Owen, Beryl Salisbury and Einir Thomas.

2. **Declaration of Interest** – none.

3. Parc Solar Traffwll

Members were not unsympathetic to the concerns of residents in the Bryngwran area but were more concerned about the views of the residents of Caergeiliog and Llanfihangel yn Nhowyn and the issues surrounding Plot 6 (Glangors) in particular.

These concerns were communicated as follows:

The development is contrary to the areas designated for solar developments in the Gwynedd and Anglesey Local Development Plan and also Welsh Government National Development Framework.

The development at Plot 6 would to be very visible to many residents and particularly those living in the village of Llanfihangel yn Nhowyn. Residents are not convinced that there is sufficient screening to minimise this. This development would have a negative impact on those properties.

The site is mainly wet land that is rich in wildlife including birds, newts, plants and insects. It was considered that a development of this kind would have a major impact on the site, spoil this diverse habitat and make the public footpaths totally inaccessible throughout the construction period.

The development does not create jobs for local people, any contract work offered locally would be minimal.

There is little or no financial benefit to the community arising from the development and all profits are likely to be made outside Wales.

The development would to lead to heavy traffic along a busy school route. Ysgol Caergeiliog Foundation School attracts pupils from the village itself, from the RAF base at Valley and from as far afield as Bangor and Llandudno. Some pupils will arrive on foot along the narrow un paved lane that must be followed to arrive at Plot 6. The extremely wide catchment area already causes huge problems with heavy traffic congestion in the vicinity. Large construction traffic travelling this same route would most certainly

increase the risks of injury and cause significant damage to the roads.

Although the Low Carbon Representatives have advised that the matter of cabling for the solar farm was a separate issue residents continued to be concerned about the likely route for cabling. It was considered unlikely that the developer would be able to secure agreement of each landowner to allow the several miles of cabling required between the three sites to the station on Cymyran Road, Caergeiliog to be buried on private land. In which case several miles of public highway would have to be dug up for the cabling to put in the ground. This would include the channelling of the only route to Caergeiliog School. Residents felt that the many months of disruption this would cause was totally unacceptable.

4. Illegal Camping – Cymyran Beach

Members were aggrieved that the Tywyn Trewan Board of Conservators had disregarded the views of the Community Council and erected a locked gate on the road down to Cymyran Beach. The decision had been made with little regard to the wellbeing of local residents who had used the lane for generations. There had been problems with campers, motor bikes and certain individuals abusing their rights for some time, but there had been a frustrating lack of progress in getting this resolved and the situation had been allowed to get out of hand. Stopping vehicular access may have been an easy solution for the Board but it had created huge problems for others in that vicinity and the beach had become inaccessible to many young families and disabled users in the community. It was also noted that the Community Council had on occasion been asked to contribute towards the upkeep of the road and that public money had been used in good faith to ensure full access to the public.

The Board of Conservators appeared to avoid publicity, even their new signage had no contact details on them. As a result, the numerous complaints about the erection of the gate had been directed at the Community Council as residents automatically assumed the Council was responsible. It was agreed that the Board of Conservators should make themselves known to the Community and take responsibility for their actions, in the meantime the clerk would continue to forward all complaints directly to the Board on clerc.trewan@outlook.com.

5. Vacant Seats

- 5.1 It was unanimously agreed to accept Miss Lowri Ann Owen's application for co-option to a vacant seat on the Council.

6. Planning Applications

- 6.1 **HHP/2021/264 - Glyn, Ffordd Cymyran Road, Caergeiliog**
Full application for alterations and extensions at Glyn, Ffordd Cymyran Road, Caergeiliog. – no objections.

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6.2 HHP/2021/149 Plas Llanfair, Llanfair Yn Neubwll

Full application for conversion of outbuilding into annexe together with alterations and extensions – no objections.

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6.3 LUE/2021/15 Tyddyn Du, Y Fali / Valley

Application for a Lawful Development Certificate for the existing use of chalet for residential use – **it was noted** that this chalet had been in position for .

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6.4 HHP 2021/212 2 Pendref, Ffordd Caergybi/Holyhead Road, Caergybi/Holyhead

Full application for alterations and extensions with a rear balcony – no objection.

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7. Llifon Alliance - noted

Subgroup Children & Young People Meeting - 14/09/2021 @ 7pm Via Zoom

Subgroup Transport Cyfarfod / Meeting 30/09/2021 630pm.

8. Briefing note relating to multi-location meetings - noted. It was agreed that the Community Council would cover the costs of installing a phone line and internet connection in the village hall.

9. Financial Matters – to be discussed at the next meeting.

10. Payments to be made

Salary (July)	£243.61	GMS Garden Machinery Ltd.	£120
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It was agreed to pay these.

11. Member Reports - none

12. Next Meeting – 21 September 2021.