

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF LLANGENNITH, LLANMADOC AND
CHERITON COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON 3 SEPTEMBER 2014 AT
LLANMADOC VILLAGE HALL**

Present

Paul Richards - Chair
Steve Rimell
Paul Ransome
Joyce Jenkins
Matthew Cowley
Jonathan Bale
Elizabeth Maliphant
Marjorie Stubbings

In Attendance Margaret Waymark – Clerk plus three members of the public

Apologies for Absence Maria Brain

Declarations of Interest

There were none.

14/59 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 2 July 2014 were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

14/60 Matters Arising

There had been no interest in the councillor vacancy but it was hoped to have a nomination for the October meeting.

MC

14/61 Highway Matters

An update was given on highway matters:

The following items were awaiting repair from C&C Swansea:

- Dip by Talizmand
- Potholes at Stormy Castle and round the gulleys between Burry Green and Kyfts Lane
- Potholes at Muzzard
- Potholes near St Cenydd's church

With regard to the above the Clerk was actively chasing the above items with Highways.

The following matters had been reported and the Clerk was seeking an update on progress:

MW

- Blocked drain and need to renew hard standing at Coity Green - there had been a meeting about this but the outcome was not yet known.
- Break up on Cock Street near Bullans Well
- Flooding from BT manhole near Clos St Cenydd - BT had carried out work there but it is still on the list to have a drain to take the water to a street drain.
- Kyfts lane Junction - Highways have promised to carry out major works here before the end of the year. It appears that there may be a road closure for this. Clerk to advise as soon as it was known when this will happen.

The following had been reported but no response as yet:

- Need to drain water run off from Ryers Down to the pond on Burry Green.

MW

The following matter had now been resolved:

- C&C Swansea had installed a notice about dog fouling. The Clerk had obtained posters about dog fouling. These would be put up shortly.

MB

The fact that the roads were not swept immediately after hedge cutting and that this might cause blockage to street drains was noted.

14/62 Footpaths

S Parry had sent in a report as follows:

Major issue is the sea Wall at Cwm Ivy. For safety reasons we have had to close the path as the collapsed area is very unstable. C&CS are working together with the National Trust and Natural Resources Wales to get a long term solution to this to re-open the path.

Work Done included the following: LG10A Lower Muzzard- Fallen tree removed and new ditch silt trap cleared out; LG16 Coety Green - gap at side of new culvert filled; CH6 Roman Bridge - stonepitched surface on damaged sections now completed both sides of bridge and drainage works done to prevent further washouts; LG6 Stembridge - New bridleway sign; LM4 Cwm Ivy Woods - Diverted coastpath route cleared; LM1 Pill Cottage – repairs to gates, low branches cut back; CH17 Stepping stones route strimmed; CH8 North Hills - clearance of low branches, correct route and gate repairs; CH10 Townsend Farm Landimore - gate repairs; LG8, 9, 10 and 13 all routes between Burry Green and Broadway Farm - clearance around stiles, steps, signs; LG18/19 Stormy Castle two stiles inspected - written to landowner; LG27 Extra clearance between Broughton Farm, Delvid and Llagadranta; LM22 Llagadranta - New signs and gate repairs.

Work planned included the following:

LG26 Delvid - fallen trees still to be cleared, two stiles to be replaced with gates and extra gate installed to prevent access by stock; LG19 extra clearance near access to Stormy Castle stile repairs approved by landowner; LM6 Springfield new bridleway sign.

Work outstanding included:

CH1 Stembridge - install gates, clearance, levelling of surface; LG40 Open up route; LM6 - Surface/drainage improvements; LG15 Gate repairs/replacements; LG35 Western House legal line of path to be opened; LM11 Phillestone - waymarking improvements, some clearance; LG35 Well Park legal work on path site visit with legal undertaken informal consultations to follow.

The Order with regard to the diversion of routes between Rhossili and Llangennith was noted.

The consultation documents with regard to LG9 et al near Well Park was noted and the Council had no objection. It was hoped that progress would be made on this in the near future. **MW**

The need for clearance along the wall near Stormy Castle was to be reported together with a plea for progress on some of the outstanding issues,. **MW**

14/63 Finance

An application for a grant towards the replacement of the tables at Llanmadoc and Cheriton Village Hall had been received. Mrs Henderson explained the problem which had arisen with the current tables. It was agreed to contribute £1000 towards the replacement tables.

The following payments were agreed:

P M Waymark - pay June/July expenses June 2014	£250.00
Post Office Ltd re: HMRC	£57.20
S Rimell - replacement key	£5.00
Llanmadoc and Cheriton Village Hall - grant	£1000.00
Llanmadoc and Cheriton Village Hall - room hire	£25.00

Balance after above payments was £4465.84

The Annual Return approval had been received from Mazars with no concerns raised. It was therefore agreed and signed by the Chairman. **MW**

14/64 Common Land

The following update was noted:

SR/JB

- It was agreed to contact D Miller with regard to cutting back the hedge including on the side near Tile House.
- S Rimell was in the process of chasing up Gower Coast Construction with regard to bus shelter repairs. The noticeboard had been replaced. Thanks to R Waymark for his help with this were noted.
- Seats - Work on the following was in hand: Coalpath (E Maliphant); Quoits Green (M Brain) Catchpool (P Richards).
- An email from J Jenkins was noted that he would reinstate the entrance to his plot at Catchpool when building work was complete. It was also noted that chippings had been placed across the entrance. The email from R Jenkins in this regard was also noted. It was agreed to consider whether the regular inspection of common land carried out by councillors should be open to members of the public.
- Registration of Land at Llanmadoc - correspondence from E Harris was noted. It was agreed nem con to proceed with an application to register. Clerk to liaise with E Harris to endeavour to restrict costs as stated in his letter of 17 July 2014.

SR

**EM/MB
/PR**

MW

14/65 Planning

The following decisions had been received:

2014/0695, 0803, 0802, 0984*, 0994*, 0929* All at Whitford Leisure Park for decking - Approved

2014/0867 Orchard Farm, Stables - Refused. Noted that some members of the public had objected but not advised the Community Council

2013/1814 Land adjacent to College Farm - agricultural building - Approved with strict conditions on usage.

2014/0828 Cleveland, rear/side extension and garage - Approved

2014/Land Opposite Big House Farm - agricultural building - Approve.

2014/0847* The Haven, Llangennith front balcony to rear elevation with fenestration alterations - Approve

It was noted that the ones marked* above had been dealt with during the recess together with the following application

2014/1113 95 Whitford Bay Leisure Park - front and side decking - no objection.

MW

There was no objection to the following application:

2014/1099 Field 1627 Phillestone Farm - renewal of permission for 5 touring caravans.

14/66 Correspondence

Correspondence as follows was noted:

V Pearce re suggestion that the Community Council had complained about noise from Windmill Farm. Clerk to write to explain that the complaint had been made to the County Councillor that residents could not instigate any action on at weekends when noise was causing problems. However the noise was not necessarily from Windmill Farm but could have been from Old Walls or Weobley Castle.

MW

Email from K Page with regard to asking for support for installation of the Vodafone Rural Open Sure Signal. This had been published in the Parish Magazine. Councillors to report any feedback to the October meeting.

Couns

14/67 Complaint/Ombudsman Response

It was noted that the Ombudsman had decided not to investigate the complaint made against several councillors.

MW

The response to Mr R Jenkins as circulated and amended during the recess was agreed by a

majority vote.

14/68 Matters Raised by Councillors and for Publication

A member of the public raised concerns about the Gower Medical Practice's plan to have surgeries alternating between Pennard and Scurlage. Several councillors had also been lobbied about the matter. The Clerk was asked to write to express residents' concerns to the Doctors, the NHS and the AM. **MW**

E Maliphant requested that the Clerk ensure that, if decisions were to be made between meetings, then she should circulate everyone's views to all councillors. This was agreed.

There was a suggestion that wildflowers as planted on some roundabouts and road edges would enhance certain parts of the villages. Clerk to find out if this was possible. **MW**

Agreed that M Stubbings could spend up to £50 on daffodils to be planted around Burry Green. **MS**

It was agreed to publish a request that if any organisation was hoping for a grant in 2015/6 they should advise the clerk of this intention by November so that provision could be made in the budget. **SR**

Next meeting on 1 October 2014 at Burry Green Vestry.

Meeting closed at 9.20.