

**A meeting of the Community Council took place on Thursday
23rd January 2020 at 7.30pm in Llanfrynach and Cantref
Community Hall.**

Present:

Ms Jackie Williams JW

Mr Ray Powell RP

Mrs Barbara Smith BS (Chairman)

Mr Jason Palmer JP

Mr Steve Prothero SP

Mr Ian Matthews IM

In attendance:

County Councillor Liam Fitzpatrick LF

Ms Sue Dale (Clerk) SD

Mr Phil Kendrick (Internal Auditor)PK

1. Welcome All.

Thanks to all for coming and welcome.

2. Apologies:

CdeW, BB.

3. Declarations of Interest

JW declared an interest in item 11.

4. Public Participation

None

5. Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the meeting on the 19th December were approved and signed.

6. Matters Arising

The Santander shares are in the process of being sold. The casual vacancy for a second community councillor in Cantref is not attracting interest.

7. Llanfrynach and Cantref Community Hall.

The Community Council owns the Ty Bach, the Community Hall manages them. The cost of replacing the fascias and soffits in white pvc is £575.00, in black pvc £1075. The Community Council resolved to pay half of the bill. The Community Hall Committee is yet to decide which quote to use so the matter will be adjourned to the next meeting.

The large tree at the corner of the hall is to be surveyed soon.

8. Ty Bach accounts update.

See item 7.

9. Groesffordd village hall management.

No update available.

10. Powys County Council matters.

LF reported on the pot holes, the bus stop improvement scheme, council tax, Groesffordd garages and parking, "Lodge Road" verges and culverts: Pot holes are an enormous issue – the back road (B5448) is shocking. Groesffordd to Lechfaen road is also bad. The pot hole budget for Powys is £500,000. A proper solution is needed.

The bus stop improvement scheme, where bus stops are updated to include disabled access and electronic bus times, may be convenient but it will have a visual impact. The scheme is as a result of a welsh government initiative to update infrastructure.

Council tax will go up by 5%, LF noted that he may vote against the budget as "issues are never fixed".

Culverts/verges/drains need more money due to climate change. Sometimes the landowner needs to maintain the drainage system on their land.

The trunk road problems by Millbrook Farm are under the purview of the Welsh Government.

"Lodge Road" verges need to be cleaned. LF

11. Planning

19/18152/FUL Ty Iltyd, Llanhamlach – no objections SD

19/18160/FUL 5, Cefn Cantref – JW registered an interest and took no part in the decision – no objections. SD

12. Quotes for a larger noticeboard in the Llanfrynach bus stop, a larger noticeboard for Cantref and a replacement noticeboard for Lechfaen and quotes for benches in the playground and Cantref.

Quotes were not available. It was resolved to complete the item electronically.

SD

13. The rubbish bin by the bus stop in Groesffordd is being used for dog waste making it unpleasant for bus stop users.

LF offered to see what could be done. LF

14. Cheques and financial statement for approval.

Clerk's wage 02/01/2019 standing order £406.40

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Approved. BS offered to be a signatory.SD

Noted that the 5 successful appeals and Groesffordd Hall's successful appeal were approved at the December 19th meeting. The financial statement was approved.

The Clerk assured the Community Council that the level of reserves is currently satisfactory.

15. Correspondence

- Update on the Nant Menasgin Flood Management.
- Awareness raising of the 75th anniversary of VE day in Wales 8th May 20.
- Powys County Council consultation on supplemental planning guidance.
- Request for support for a Brecknock and Radnorshire-wide Annual Sports Awards evening.

1. Any Other Business (to be used to pass on information only)

The Police are looking into the possibility of having an ANPR camera funded by the Community Council.

2. Date of Next Meeting: Thursday, 12th March 2020 at 7.30pm in Groesffordd Village Hall.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.45pm.