LLANFAIR MATHAFARN EITHAF COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Councils Annual meeting held at Goronwy Owen Memorial Hall, Benllech on Monday, January, 2016, at 7.00 p.m.

PRESENT Mr R O Jones, (Chair), (Benllech A), Mr J Cotterell, (Benllech A), Ms G M Davies, (Benllech A), Mr P Day, (Benllech B), Mr K F Griffiths, (Benllech A), Mr G Harker-Roberts, (Brynteg), Mrs W Owen, (Llanbedrgoch), Mrs J Peers, (Llanbedrgoch), Mrs D Roberts, (Benllech B), Mr I Williams, (Benllech B), Miss N Williams, (Benllech B).

147 APOLOGIES

Received – apologies for absence from the following :- Mr E Ll Owen, (Benllech B).

148 MINUTES.

The Chair signed as a true record the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on the 14 December 2015.

FOOTPATHS ROADS AND FOOTWAYS

149 ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL – RESPONSE TO HIGHWAY MATTERS.

Submitted for information – correspondence received from the Isle of Anglesey County Council relating to highway matters referred to it by the Community Council.

150 ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL – RE-DIRECTION OF PUBLIC FOOTPATH NO 60 (TEMPORARY)

Submitted for information – letter from the Isle of Anglesey County Council informing of temporary re-direction of footpath number 60 for a period of up to six months because of necessary repairs following landslide.

151 VARIOUS HIGHWAY MATTERS.

Reported by members – various matters requiring attention.

CORRESPONDENCE

152 ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL – COMMUNITY COUNCIL PRECEPTS 2016/2017.

Submitted for information – letter from the Isle of Anglesey County Council estimating Band D equivalent properties in the community at 1745.30.

153 ONE VOICE WALES – YNYS MON AREA COMMITTEE.

Submitted for information – minutes of the Ynys Mon Area Committee held at County Hall Llangefni on the 22 October 2015.

PAYMENTS AND ACCOUNTS

154 BILLS

RESOLVED – to pay the following bills:-

Edwards Accounting	Information preparation	£30-00
Eira Fon Parry	Translation service	£50-00
Lingo Cyf	Hire of translation equipment	£36-00
Goronwy Owen	Hire of Hall	£180-00
Memorial Hall		
T J Electrics	Electrical equipment repairs	£90-00

155 ACCOUNTS

Submitted – account showing details of payments made by the Clerk (including those made in accordance with the Council's current Scheme of Delegation) in December, 2015.

RESOLVED – to note the account and approve the payments.

156 COUNCIL'S BUDGET

Submitted – details of the Council's receipts and payments as compared with its budget for the period from April 1, 2015 to the end of December, 2015.

RESOLVED – to note and approve the details.

GENERAL MATTERS

157 ANNUAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY 2016/2017.

Submitted – draft 2016/2017 Investment Strategy document for approval

RESOLVED – to approve the draft investment strategy document as drawn.

158 ESTIMATES 2016/2017.

Submitted – estimates setting out the proposed income and expenditure of the Council for 2016/2017.

RESOLVED – to approve the estimates with the exception of one item of expenditure, namely, the upgrade of the CCTV system. £25,000 had been earmarked for expenditure with the balance of £15,000 hopefully coming from an application to the Isle of Anglesey Charitable Trust. However, during the period between the delivery of the Agenda to members and the evening of the Council meeting it became apparent that no support would be forthcoming from the Charitable Trust, despite the application having been sent to them on the 6 October 2015. Following a discussion, members decided to use £7,500 from the Councils savings account and place the balancing £7500 on the Precept. Additionally the Clerk was requested to approach other major companies with interests in the locality to try and secure funding, namely, Magnox, Horizon and McCarthy & Stone.

159 ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL – PRECEPT 2016/2017

Submitted – the Clerk's report on the Council's budgetary requirements for 2016/2017.

RESOLVED –

- (1) to fix a precept of £49,737.
- (2) that the Council's budget for 2016/2017 calculated under section 50 of the Local Government Act 1992 was £98,796.

(A copy of the Estimates and Precept reflecting the above changes will be included in the February Agenda.)

160 LIST OF GRANTS AND DONATIONS 2016/2017.

Submitted – Schedule showing the proposed allocation of grant money for 2016/2017.

RESOLVED - the clerk explained that a pattern had emerged over the last few years regarding requests for grants from the Council. In the last year approximately half of the charities and organisations listed had made a request for a grant. Members discussed the situation and decided to study the position closer in the February meeting with a view to withdrawing some names from the list and increase the amount of some grants. Also to consider a more local bias to grants in future.

161 VACANT SEAT ON BENLLECH B WARD.

Mr Dafydd Hughes' application for the vacant seat on Benllech B Ward was discussed by members.

RESOLVED – to unanimously accept Mr Hughes' application.

162 GOVERNING BODY OF YSGOL LLANBEDRGOCH.

A letter was received from the Clerk of the Governing Body of Ysgol Llanbedrgoch stating that they had followed the required policy to dismiss Mr Elwyn Lloyd Owen as he had not attended meetings nor sent his apologies.

Additionally a request to the Community Council to discuss the selection of a member to replace Mr Owen on the Governing Body.

RESOLVED – to postpone selecting a member to represent the Community Council on the Governing Body of Ysgol Llanbedrgoch for the present and consider the matter further at the February meeting of the Council.

163 BENLLECH ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT.

A response had been received from Zurich Insurance in respect of the siting of flower displays and hanging baskets in the village. The company confirmed that the Council would not be liable if an accident

occurred and a member of the public was hurt, provided that a relevant risk assessment had been completed.

Unfortunately no further details had been received regarding the prices for hanging baskets. This information is expected to be available for the February meeting.

164 ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL – CONSULTATION ON A NEW WAY OF ALLOCATING SOCIAL HOUSING ON ANGLESEY.

The document was discussed generally but completion of the consultation document was delayed until the February meeting. The consultation closes on the 6 March 2016.

165 LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL (WALES) (DRAFT).

The following observations on the Local Government Bill (Wales) (Draft) were made;

Training for Community Council members will be mandatory and the period of office for members will be increased and elections changing. Two options are suggested as far as the Isle of Anglesey is concerned, namely, merging with Gwynedd or merging with Conwy and Gwynedd. The Clerk was requested to respond stressing that the Isle of Anglesey remains independent.

166 LLANBEDRGOCH NEW CEMETERY.

It was confirmed that no further developments had come to light with the land earmarked for the new Llanbedrgoch Cemetery. It appears that the site is of historical significance with CADW interested therein.

PLANNING

167 APPLICATIONS

RESOLVED that the following decisions were made on the planning applications before the Council:-

1. Granted

30C402C	Eugrad, Brynteg
30C145A	6 Precinct, Benllech

2. Refused

30C786	The Cottage, Benllech – It is felt that
	this application is over-development
	on a site where parking and access is
	already difficult especially with the
	illegal parking on Llangefni Road.

168 DECISIONS

Reported for information - recent planning decisions made by the Isle of Anglesey County Council

The meeting concluded at 8-15pm.