

CYNGOR CYMUNEDOL LLANDOW

LLANDOW COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Notes of an informal meeting of the Council on Thursday 4th October 2018 at Llandow Village Hall at 7.30 pm

1. **Present:** Mr. C. Cornelius (Chairman), Mr. A. Clarke, Mrs. A. Pattinson, Mr. A. Cave, County Borough Councillor C. Cave and Mr. D-L. Jones (Clerk).
2. **Apologies:** Mr. R. Thomas (Vice Chairman), Mr. P. Bryant, Mrs. C. Bray, Ms. J. Shaw, Mr. R. Finucane, Mr. T. Phillips, and PCSO Angela Stone.
3. **Issues arising from the notes of the meeting of the 13th September 2018:**

75/18: Issues with infrastructure: It was confirmed that all the work had been completed:

- a. Llysworney to Cross Inn via Crossways.
- b. Rectory Cross to Llandow Village.
- c. Moorshead Farm to Penyrheol Terrace.

Micro -Asphalt Works:

- a. East View, Llandow.

It was noted that this was a positive step forward and it was agreed that the Clerk would write to the VGCBC to express Council's thanks.

120/18: Race Track noise levels: The Clerk had reported this to VGCBC and received an acknowledgement. Cllr. C. Cave reported that she was also aware of several complaints and would be following this matter up. We await further information in due course.

121/18 Waste Management System: Cllr. Cave reported that the initial rollout of the new waste management scheme had received a very positive response, although there have been a few problems which, in the main, have been due to capacity issues. It is anticipated these will be resolved shortly. It was reported that no food waste bags had been delivered to any of the villages in the Llandow Ward. Residents are able to collect them from the public library. Cllr. Cave agreed to take this matter forward with the VGCBC.

Cllr. A. Pattinson reported that there was a discrepancy between the items listed on the VGCBC website which should be recycled and those that are 'general waste'. For example, when taking items to the Civic Amenity site, black plastic, which is normally non-recyclable, is being placed with the recyclable plastic. The Clerk will report this to the VGCBC.

4. **Draft Parking Strategy:** A discussion took place regarding the consultation which was undertaken recently. Concern was expressed about the proposals to charge for parking in Cowbridge and how this would affect those working in the town who may have to pay up to £6 per day. Moreover, they are likely to lead to difficulties for residents as visitors migrate to residential areas looking for free parking. It was felt that this short-term attempt to raise revenue for the VGCBC would inevitably be far more damaging in the long term, raising minimal revenue due to the cost of administering parking charges. The problem of unoccupied shops on the High Street due to the very high rate of Council Tax for traders was raised as an additional cause for concern. The Clerk will respond to the consultation in the terms given above.
5. **Community Council Fund:** The Clerk reported Cllr. C. Bray had indicated that an application from Llysworney Community Association would probably be submitted for consideration at the November meeting of the Council.
6. **Footpaths Committee:** Cllr. A. Pattinson reported that she had attended a meeting of the Footpaths Committee at Cowbridge Town Hall, only to find that it had been cancelled. Unfortunately, the Town Hall staff and some members of the committee had not been informed and an hour elapsed before the

cancellation was confirmed. The Clerk had tried to ascertain when a meeting would take place, but, as yet, had no further information.

7. **Finance:** Members noted the Financial Statement presented by the Clerk.
8. **Audit 2017/18:** The Clerk reported that he had received the report from the External Auditor which was duly noted. The External Auditor had suggested that quarterly monitoring of Council's income and expenditure compared to budget should become part of Council's governance routine. The Clerk will take this forward. The Clerk circulated the Notice of Conclusion of the Audit for display on the Council's noticeboards.
9. **County Councillors Report - Boundary Commission:** The Members discussed the recommendations of the Boundary Commission Report on Parliamentary Constituencies, with particular reference to paragraphs 21.13 and 21.15 (page 116). The former relates to the proposals it received from the Llandow/Ewenny, Llantwit Major and St Bride's Major wards to remain within the Vale of Glamorgan constituency on the grounds that their inclusion in the Bridgend constituency would be detrimental to the residents who live in a rural setting, with no common ties to Bridgend and the surrounding urban area. The latter confirms the view of the Boundary Commission that it is appropriate to include the wards forming Penarth in the Vale of Glamorgan East constituency, rather than Cardiff South as they are at present. The Commission noted that it would then not be possible to include additional wards such as Llandow/Ewenny, Llantwit Major or St Bride's Major within the proposed Vale of Glamorgan East constituency since the size of the electorate would exceed the statutory electoral range. Some members went on to express their dissatisfaction and frustration with a system that can simply ignore the genuine needs of its residents for the sake of 'making up the numbers'. A suggestion was made to write a letter to this effect to Alun Cairns, Secretary of State for Wales.

Date: October 2018 - Report for Community Councils' meetings Colwinston; Ewenny; Llandow/Sigingstone & Llangan.
Please see list of items below that have arisen during the previous month (since the last report):

FULL COUNCIL MEETING September 26th 2018

Reports of the Electoral Registration Officer -

- Agenda Item 10. [Community Review – Catalina](#), Cei Dafydd, Barry – Baruc and Castleland Wards (Vale of Glamorgan Council and Barry Town Council).
- Agenda Item 11. [Community Review – Cowbridge](#) with Llanblethian Town Council and Penllyn Community Council.
- Agenda Item 12. [Community Review – St. Brides Major](#) Community Council.

Report of the Section 151 Officer –

Agenda Item 13. [Statement of Accounts](#) 2017/18.

- (For ease of future reference, the Statement of Accounts is provided as a separate document and can be found at the back of the agenda.)
- **Agenda Item 14. To consider the following proposal(s) from the Executive in relation to the Council's Policy Framework and Budget.**

Item 14. A and b.	Date of Meeting	Minute No.
(a) Treasury Management Closing Report 2017/18.	16 th July	C365
(b) Vale of Glamorgan Annual Report (Improvement Plan Part 2) 2017-18.	17 th September	C412

- **Agenda Item 15. To receive [questions](#) and answers pursuant to Section 4.18.2 – 4.18.7 of the Council's Constitution (i.e. questions on any matter in relation to which the Council has powers or duties or which affects the Vale of Glamorgan).**

Agenda Item 16. Questions from the public –

21 questions received.

Please note the dates of ordinary meetings of the Council to be held during the remainder of the municipal year are:

- 12th December 2018
- 27th February, 2019
- 1st May, 2019.

- **Boundary Commission for Wales Final Recommendations**

You may be aware that the Boundary Commission for Wales has submitted its Final Recommendations for Parliamentary constituencies in Wales on 5 September 2018 to the Minister for the Cabinet Office.

http://bcomm-wales.gov.uk/2018-review/2018_final_recommendations?lang=en

The Commission has been informed by the Government that the report has been laid before Parliament. Once I am made aware of any progress I will update you all accordingly.

Local matters

- Colwinston – Lighting and signage, S106 Officer/Highways Operations Manager – on-going.
- Llangan EoI – on-going matters.
- Siteserve, Llandow – several matters on-going in relation to National Resources Wales.
- Speeding, parking and safety issues - Highways Officer concerning speeding vehicles in Ewenny/Corntown.
- Surgery held in Colwinston 29th September 2018
- Colwinston Community Hall Association awarded £14,000.00 from the Stronger Communities Grant, Round 3.

Events attended in September:

- Penarth, Civic Service, Paget Rooms, Penarth 15th September.
- Cowbridge, 6K event – Over £5000 raised by organisers.
- Macmillan Big Coffee Morning, Tramsheds Tech, Cardiff, over £400 raised by event organisers.
- Ogmere-by-Sea, Story Event, 29th October.
- Ewenny Craft show, Ewenny Village Hall, 29th October.

October 2018 meetings/events : (excluding Community Council meetings)

- Eisteddfod Cardiff and Vale Proclamation event 6th October, Barry.
- Saron Chapel Grand Opening 6th October, Llangan.
- Atlantic College Scott’s Event 7th October, St. Donats.
- Consultation event, Llangan & St Mary Hill Village Hall, 4th October.
- Agenda Conference 1st October, Barry, Civic Officers.
- Voluntary Sector Joint Liaison Committee 3rd October.
- Healthy Living and Social Care Scrutiny Committee, 9th October.
- Homes and Safe Communities Scrutiny Committee, 10th October.
- Early Retirement and Redundancy Committee 11th October.
- Community Liaison Committee, 17th October.
- Swansea Bay Port Health Authority quarterly meeting, 19th October.
- Agenda Conference, 29th October Barry, Civic Officers.
- **Scheduled Vale of Glamorgan Council meetings for October 2018** - All Meetings commence at 6.00 p.m. unless otherwise stated.

Council		Early Retirement/Redundancy	11 Oct
Annual Meeting		Licensing - Public Protection (10.00 a.m.)	2 Oct
Cabinet (2.00 p.m.)	1 Oct 15 Oct	Licensing - Statutory	
Scrutiny (Corporate Performance and Resources)	18 Oct	Licensing Sub (10.00 a.m.)	16 Oct
Scrutiny (Environment and Regeneration)	11 Oct	Planning (4.00 p.m.)	

Scrutiny (Healthy Living and Social Care)	9 Oct	Public Rights of Way	
Scrutiny (Homes and Safe Communities)	10 Oct	Senior Management Appointment	
Scrutiny (Learning and Culture)	1 Oct (Special) 16 Oct	Standards	
Appeals	4 Oct	Trust	
Audit		Vale of Glamorgan Local Access Forum	
Community Liaison	17 Oct	Voluntary Sector Joint Liaison	3 Oct
Democratic Services (4.00 p.m.)	17 Oct	Welsh Church Act Estate (4.15 p.m.)	15 Oct
Investigating		Shared Regulatory Services Joint Committee	

- 10. Llandow:** Cllr. T Phillips reported (via the Clerk) that repairs to the bridge had been completed. Cllr. Phillips reported (via the Clerk) that he had been in touch with NRW regarding the culverts under the railway embankment and it is hoped these will be cleared before the winter rains. Cllr. A. Pattinson reported that several dog owners in the village had been subjected to some unpleasantness as it was assumed their dogs had been fouling public spaces. Cllr. Pattinson had been in touch with the VGCBC and had received some posters in this regard. Cllr. C. Cave added that Colwinston Community Council had reported similar difficulties and were working with their local community to combat these problems.
- 11. Sigingstone:** Cllr. A. Clarke reported that there were several potholes along the road from Sigingstone to Llanmaes. The Clerk will report this to the VGCBC.
- 12. Police Report:** PCSO reported by email there had been no crimes reported since the September report. If Members are interested in participating in Community Speed Watch then more information is available directly from PCSO Stone.
- 13. AOB: Mayor's Foundation Grant Fund:** Cllr. C. Cave gave a brief overview of the newly created Mayor's Foundation Grant Fund and gave the Clerk a copy of the application form.
Vale of Glamorgan County Borough Council Award: Cllr. C. Cave reported that the Vale of Glamorgan County Borough Council had been identified by the Wales Audit Office as the best performing Council in Wales for the fourth year in a row. Waste management and roads maintenance were identified as areas which are still in need of improvement and the Council are tackling those issues.
- 14. Date & Time of Next meeting:** 7.30 pm Thursday 1st November at Sigingstone Village Hall.