

**CYNGOR CYMUNEDOL LLANDOW  
LLANDOW COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

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**Meeting of the Llandow Community Council to be held remotely via Zoom  
on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2023 at 7.00 p.m.**

**AGENDA**

1. PRESENT
2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
3. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST (Local Govt. Act 1972) and DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (The Council's Code of Conduct) if any.
4. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETINGS: Minutes of Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2023
5. MATTERS ARISING
6. FINANCE:
  - a) Business a/c £51.83  
Current a/c £5,479.12  
£5,530.95
  - b) Outgoings for November 2023:  
Clerk's salary @ S.P. 24- October '23: £420.16  
HMRC: £105.00  
Transact Pensions (*by direct debit*): £95.36
  - c) Financial Statement October 2023: (Appendix 1)
7. STRONG COMMUNITIES GRANT FUND
8. COMMUNITY COUNCIL FUND
9. REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS:
10. CORRESPONDENCE:
  - 1) The Clerk
  - 2) Review of democratic health in the T&CC sector <https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/0X0M05/>
11. PLANNING:  
*Approvals:*
  - 1) Mr. L England, Triple Crown House, Llandow Ind Est, Llandow: Variation of Condition 2 (Specification of Use) of Planning Application 2017/00329/FUL 2020/00137/FUL
12. LLANDOW
13. LLYSWORNEY
14. SIGINGSTONE
15. COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT: Cllr. C. Cave
16. ANY OTHER BUSINESS (*raised with the Chairman's consent given before the start of the meeting*)
17. DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS:  
Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at Llandow Village Hall and via Zoom.  
Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December at Llandow Village Hall and via Zoom.

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## LLANDOW COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Llandow Community Council held at Llandow Village Hall and via Zoom  
on Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup> October 2023 Council at 7.00 pm.

- 84/23. **PRESENT:** Mrs. C. Bray (Chair), Ms. J. Shaw, Mrs. A. Pattinson, Mr. M. Walker, Mr. A. Clarke, Mr. D. Hackett, Mrs. S. Brewer and Mrs. K. Walters.
- 85/23. **IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr. D-L. Jones (Clerk).
- 86/23. **APOLOGIES:** Mr. R. Thomas (Vice-Chair), County Borough Councillor C. Cave, PCSO A. Stone
- 87/23. **DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST, ETC:**  
Cllr. A. Clarke declared an interest in all matters concerning the planning application for the land to the southwest of Sigingstone.  
Cllrs. A. Pattinson, D. Hackett and Mrs. K. Walters declared an interest in the application of Llandow Village Hall for grant aid as members of the Village Hall Management Committee.  
Cllr. C. Bray declared an interest in the application of Llysworney Community Association for grant aid as a member of that organisation.
- 88/23. **POLICE REPORT:**  
PCSO A. Stone reported by email there had been two crimes reported since her last update to Council:  
Burglary at Llandow Industrial Estate.  
Historic crime at Llandow Industrial Estate.
- 89/23. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS:**  
It was agreed to accept the minutes of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> September 2023, proposed by Cllr. J. Shaw and seconded by Cllr. K. Walters.
- 90/23. **MATTERS ARISING:**  
*Rapid Rehousing Policy:* Cllr. C. Bary reported that an invitation to Carol Price, Housing Officer, to attend the November meeting of the Council had been extended.  
*Wall of Sigingstone brook:* Cllr. S. Brewer confirmed that repairs to the wall of the brook had been completed.
- 91/23. **FINANCE:**
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| a) | Business a/c   | £51.83           |
|    | Current a/c  | <u>£6,601.96</u> |
|    |  | £6,653.79        |
| b) | Outgoings for October 2023:  |                  |
|    | Clerk's salary @ S.P. 24 - September '23:  | £420.16          |
|    | HMRC:  | £105.00          |
|    | Transact Pensions ( <i>by direct debit</i> ):  | £95.36           |
| c) | <b>Financial Statement September 2023:</b> Council noted the financial statement.  |                  |
| d) | <b>Conclusion of the Audit for the period ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023:</b> Council noted the report of the External Auditor, there were no matters that required the attention of the Council. The Clerk distributed the Notice of Conclusion of the Audit for the financial period ending 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2023 for display in the notice boards. |                  |
- 92/23. **STRONG COMMUNITIES GRANT FUND:**  
The council noted that a new funding round is open for applications.
- 93/23. **COMMUNITY COUNCIL FUND:**
- 1) Community Grants and S137:  
Council noted the Section S137 report.
  - 2) Llandow Village Hall: (Cllrs. A. Pattinson, D. Hackett and K. Walters withdrew from the meeting for this item)  
It was unanimously agreed on the proposition of Cllr. A. Clarke, seconded by Cllr. M. Walker to make a grant of £347.64 to Llandow Village Hall.
  - 3) Llysworney Community Association: (Cllr. C. Bray withdrew from the meeting for this item)  
It was unanimously agreed on the proposition of Cllr. A. Clarke, seconded by Cllr. A. Pattinson to make a grant of £145.00 to Llysworney Community Association.

**94/23. REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS:**

Council noted the report of Cllr. D. Hackett who had attended the recent meeting of the Vale of Glamorgan Community Liaison Committee. The main topic for discussion had been the Community Boundary Review, see minute 97/23 below.

**95/23. CORRESPONDENCE** (*Council noted the following correspondence*):

- 3) The Clerk.
- 4) Clerks & Councils Direct
- 5) Vale of Glamorgan: Review of Polling Stations – *Council agreed they are content with the current provision.*
- 6) Rights of Way Improvement Plan: Rights of Way Improvement Plan (ROWIP) (valeofglamorgan.gov.uk)  
*Council noted the comments of Cllr. R. Thomas regarding consultation with land owners.*

**96/23. PLANNING:**

*Applications:*

- 1) Mr. Anthony Evans, Llandow Caravan Park, Llandow: Removal of Condition 2 of Application No. 2021/01666/FUL: The site shall not be used as a caravan site between 1st February and 28th February (29th February in a leap year) in any one year 2023/00849/FUL

*Approvals:*

- 2) Mr. Colin Thompsett, Agricultural field on Heol y Nat, Llandow: Installation of Elsan waste tank, concrete block wall and drinking water stand pipes
- 3) BSW Holdings, Dyffryn Business Park, Llantwit Major Road, Llandow: Erection of 3x Totem signs
- 4) Castell Group, Land at Moat Farm, Llysworney: Proposed residential development of 7 dwellings and associated works. Approved subject to Legal Agreement (outstanding)

**97/23. BOUNDARY REVIEW:**

Cllr. C. Bray reported that she, Cllrs J. Shaw, A. Pattinson and the Clerk had recently met with the Chairs and other representatives of Llanmaes Community Council and Llanfair Community Council at their invitation. The meeting had focused on the Boundary Commission draft proposals which recommend that Llanmaes CC and Llandow CC merge, and that Llanfair CC is absorbed into Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council. It was generally felt by all that given the distinct rural nature of the three councils the communities they represent would be better served by a Council that shared the same issues without the distraction of trying to hold in balance urban needs too.

Cllr. D. Hackett drew Council's attention to the note of the discussion which had taken place at the Community Liaison Committee the previous week.

Members discussed the issues in some detail before reaching a consensus regarding their response to the current draft proposals which are:

1. Council rejects the current draft proposals and consider that the present structure is the most efficient way of ensuring effective and convenient local government.
2. While remaining firmly of the view that no change is needed. Council recognise the impetus for change being driven by the Vale of Glamorgan CBC. They have considered the draft proposal for an amalgamation with Llanmaes CC and, on balance, do not believe this grouping would be the best way to ensure effective representation.
3. Council considers that if an amalgamation must happen, then a grouping with Llanfair CC, with whom there is a natural affiliation in the majority of key areas, would seem acceptable.

**98/23. LLANDOW:**

*Flooding:* It is hoped to convene a meeting of all agencies and interested parties to seek a positive resolution to the ongoing flooding problems.

*Mains sewage pipe:* Cllr. A. Pattinson reported that a new sewage pipe is to be installed in the village which it is hoped will alleviate the problems caused by the present pipe, due to its age, allowing rainwater to enter, and thereby overload the system.

*Alleged reduction in BT Broadband Service:* Cllr. D. Hackett reported that following the recent renewal of broadband services from BT, Llandow Village Hall has been advised that the maximum download speed will be reduced by around 90% from c. 70mbps to 6mbps. This has led to other concerned residents looking at the advertised download speed from BT should they renew their contract, and they too have noted the same significant download speed reduction.

This will significantly impact residents' ability to carry out their typical day-to-day work, work from home, and have reliable streamed TV services, etc. It was agreed the Clerk would write to BT about this matter and seek clarification.

**99/23. LLYSWORNEY:**

*Moat Farm:* Cllr. C. Bray reported that we await the outcome of our request to the Welsh Government to Call In the application.

Cllrs. C. Bray and J. Shaw reported that they had been offered a *pro bono* consultation with a planning expert regarding the process, likely outcome and attendant cost of seeking a Judicial Review of the process. It was unanimously agreed that Cllr. Bray and Shaw would attend the meeting and report back to the Council.

*Hiraeth:* It was reported that the current occupants of the former Carne Arms, which is operating as the fine dining restaurant Hiraeth, have been served a notice to exit the premises. Enquires have been made of the Landlord who has indicated it is their wish to redevelop the site. Members expressed their dissatisfaction with this situation, which would mean the loss of the only community asset in Llysworney apart from the church.

**100/23. SIGINGSTONE:**

*Grit Bin:* Cllr. A. Clarke reported that the grit bin at the crossroads in the centre of the village had been damaged again. The Clerk will report this to the VGCBC.

*20 mph sign:* Cllr. A. Clarke reported that the 20mph sign on the road out of the village toward Llanmaes is facing the wrong way. The Clerk will report this to the VGCBC.

**101/23. COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT:**

Council noted the report of Cllr. C. Cave.

**102/23. OTHER BUSINESS:**

*Feedback from the Independent Member of the Standards Committee.* The Chair reported that the following observations had been received in regard of the meeting of 8<sup>th</sup> June 2023:

Mr. Alexander advised that the meeting had been chaired with precision. The meeting had been held on a remote / hybrid basis, however it had not been possible to identify the Clerk and the five people that had also attended remotely could not be identified. There were no name cards however he commented that he had received the papers well in advance. Decisions were properly moved and seconded, and it had been a purposeful and focused meeting.

**103/23. DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETINGS:**

Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2023 at 7pm in Llandow Village Hall and via Zoom.

Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> December 2023 at 7pm in Llandow Village Hall and via Zoom.

Signed..... Dated.....

<b>LLANDOW COMMUNITY COUNCIL</b>					
<b>Cash Book Comparison Against Budget</b>					
<b>Period Ending 25th October 2023</b>					
			<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual to Date</b>	
			<b>2023/24</b>	<b>2023/24</b>	
<b>Bank Statement Balances as at the 01/04/23</b>			<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	
Community Account - 20103969			£ 5,355.60	£ 5,355.60	<i>Opening</i>
Premium Account -50801631			£ 51.58	£ 51.58	<i>Balances</i>
			<b>£ 5,407.18</b>	<b>£ 5,407.18</b>	
<b>INCOME:</b>					
Precept			£10,000.00	£ 6,666.00	
Other Income			£ 0.08	£ -	
			<b>£10,000.08</b>	<b>£ 6,666.00</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURE:</b>					
Clerks Salary			£ 5,420.04	£ 2,941.12	
HMRC			£ 1,355.05	£ 735.20	
Pension			£ 1,355.00	£ 735.28	
Election Fees				£ -	
Sigingstone Hall			£ 150.00	£ -	
Llandow Hall			£ 150.00	£ -	
Community Grants			£ 1,500.00	£ 932.64	
Audit Fees			£ 500.00	£ 518.00	
Fees & Training			£ 200.00	£ 256.00	
Insurance			£ 200.00	£ 232.37	
Refill Grit Bins			£ 250.00	£ -	
Website Maintenance			£ 200.00	£ 191.87	
Telephone & Broadband			£ 336.00	£ -	
Expenses			£ 430.00	£ -	
Member's Allowance			£ 300.00	£ -	
			£ 600.00		
			<b>£ 12,946.09</b>	<b>£ 6,542.48</b>	
Cash at Bank			<b>£ 2,461.09</b>	<b>£ 5,530.95</b>	