

**CYNGOR CYMUNED HENLLANFALLTEG  
HENLLANFALLTEG COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

MINUTES of meeting of the Community Council held on **Wednesday 13 January 2010** in the Millennium Hall, Llanfallteg at 7pm.

**Present:** Councillors Mr G Carpenter, Mr C Mortlock, Mr D King, Mr M Pynn, Mrs P Jones, Mrs E Edwards and one member of the public.

1. Apologies for absence: **County Councillor Sue Allen**
2. Declarations of interest: **D King, M Pynn, G Carpenter and E Edwards declared an interest in item 6d of the Agenda**
3. To receive Minutes of Meetings dated 11 November 2009: **Confirmed and signed by Chairman**
4. **Correspondence received:**
  - a. Ombudsman for Wales – Code of Conduct – Draft Guidance from the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales – Response date Fri 12 Feb 10: **DK to respond**
  - b. CCC – Remittance Advice for Precept payment £523.33 - **Noted**
  - c. CCC – Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Bases Wales) Regulations 1995 & Precept Return form Response date CCC letter requests verbal or written precept requirement by 30 Jan 2010. Official date for response is before 1 Mar 2010 – **Noted – Clerk to action**
  - d. WAG – Appropriate sum under section 137.3 of the Local Government Act 1972 - **Noted**
  - e. WAG – Consultation on proposed changes to Local Authority Capital Finances framework Response date 28 Jan 2010 – **GC to respond**
  - f. SWITCH Regional Transport Plan Launch – Fri 29 Jan 10 – 1230-1445 hrs Ivy Hotel, Carmarthen – **DK and GC to attend – Clerk to action**
  - g. Dwr Cymru Welsh Water Llanfallteg First time Sewerage Scheme - Hyder Consulting – **Noted. c/f Feb meeting. Clerk to action letter of thanks to Welsh Water**
5. **Planning**
  - a. Re: Blaenhiraeth – CCC has issued An Enforcement Complaint Notification and the matter will be investigated to ascertain whether a breach of planning control has occurred b/f from Nov 09 meeting – **Noted – to await response from CCC**
6. **Finance**
  - a. Balance of current & reserve accounts – **statements presented - Noted**
  - b. Budget Proposals – **discussed**
  - c. Precept – **Options were discussed, Points taken into consideration were very low reserves, increase in donations and a cash flow situation. A precept of £3,401.09 was agreed by all.**
  - d. Review of donation nominees – **It was agreed Nominees for 2010/11 will be :**
    - i. **Y Cardi Bach £100**
    - ii. **Wales Air Ambulance £100**
    - iii. **Community Association/Playing Field £100**
  - e. Review of risk assessment to satisfy BDO LLP auditors – **Financial risk assessment has been prepared by GC for HCC based on external auditor’s generic assessment and was presented to council. GC to circulate to members for their perusal and comments**
  - f. Review of Fidelity guarantee – **Clerk to investigate Insurance increase charges regarding a higher fidelity guarantee policy in response to external auditor’s guidance**

## 7. Right of Way

- a. Re: Instructions to stop work on footpaths & funding issues – awaiting letter from CCC Clerk to contact CC Sue Allen for any update. HCC to write to CCC Eirian James & Dan Pearce and suggest possible meeting for 10 March 2010 to discuss future work programme and funding. CM to draft letter and Clerk to action
- b. Bridle path blocked at “White Gable” Llanfallteg – b/f from Nov 09 – GC was to visit owner - GC to action. c/f Feb meeting

## 8. Traffic Calming Measures

Has all outstanding work been satisfactorily completed? – **It was agreed that all work has now been completed. Clerk to write to a letter of thanks to CCC Andrew Morgan & John McEvoy**

## 9. Highways

- a. Condition of Llanfallteg to Llanddewi road, pot holes on both sides of bridge (PCC responsibility) **CM had very recently sent email regarding situation to CC David Simpson. DK will contact Community Police Officer for help in this matter as potholes pose safety risk at certain points– DK to action**
- b. Councillor Penni Jones highlighted problems regarding the recent bad weather and the dangerous conditions of certain roads. Points raised were lack of gritting, more sites for more grit bins, filling up existing bins and pot holes. **Members were asked to collate all other areas affected and inform GC – GC to action Letter to CCC Tony Thomas**

10. HCC document handling/processing - office equipment to be purchased – **GC to forward clerk with examples of register.**

11. Local Development Plan– GC **Pre-deposit preferred strategy consultation. A summary had been circulated by GC and reviewed at meeting. Proposed response was supported by members. GC to action**

12. Funding Fayre - 24 Nov 09 - DK & GC – **Not attended**

13. Zero Carbon Communities – Aled Owen– **meeting has been arranged for 20 Jan 10 – time to be confirmed by GC - c/f Feb meeting**

14. The Plash Inn – re: Ramjam Smythe’s plea for support b/f from Nov 09 meeting – **HCC agreed to recognise the importance of a village pub in the community. It was noted that the Community Association had already made progress with ways to improve communication.**

15. County Councillor’s report – **Sue Allen was absent**

## 16. Response to consultation docs –

- a. WAG - Local Government Measure 09 statutory guidance - **response date 15.01.10 DK – DK summarized and concluded that this was not an issue for community councils. To draft response to Clerk for action**
- b. WAG - Improvement for Fire and Rescue Authorities in Wales - response date 25.01.10 CM – **CM summarized and concluded that there was nothing new to add to past consultations and that technicalities were way beyond HCC comments. CM draft response to Clerk for action**

17. CCC Protocol – Copy from One Voice Wales – SA – **It was agreed to formally adopt the document and file with standing orders**

## 18. Matters for discussion

- a. Sewerage – Report received as per agenda item 4g **GC to circulate latest draft copy for comment. c/f Feb meeting. Public invited to attend**

**19. Date and time of next meeting - 10 February 2010 19:00.**

**Meeting closed at 9.30pm**