

# LLANHARRY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 13<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2013  
AT 7.15 P.M. AT THE AMBULANCE HALL, BIRCHGROVE, LLANHARRY.

PRESENT: COUNCILLORS: I CLARIDGE (CHAIRMAN); MRS P CLARIDGE; D SNOOK; B STEPHENS; M THOMAS AND MRS G LEWIS (CLERK).

1. ELECTION OF MEMBER TO PRESIDE IN THE ABSENCE OF THE CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN

The Chairman was present.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies.

3. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

Councillor Stephens declared an interest in item 11, Planning.  
Councillor Thomas declared an interest in item 12, Grants.

4. COMMUNITY POLICING

P.C. Pike that there were eight reported crimes during the month of October:  
Violence against the person – 3 recorded crimes;  
Burglary – 2 recorded crimes;  
Theft – 1 recorded crime;  
Criminal Damage – 2 recorded crimes.  
There were also 6 instances of anti-social behaviour reported.

The Clerk reported that needles had been found by the grounds maintenance contractor in a handbag which had been left on a bench nearest to the Fox & Hounds in the playing field.

5. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

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5.1 Payment of Accounts

**Resolved:** To make payment of all accounts presented, as per the list attached to the minutes.

5.2 Bank Reconciliation

A copy of the reconciliation was presented to Members.

5.3 GFOCT13/MAOCT13/BESOCT13

Copies of these documents were presented to Members.

6. EXAMINATION AND CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The minutes of the Audit Meeting of 9<sup>th</sup> October, Monthly Meeting of 9<sup>th</sup> October and the Site Meeting of 15<sup>th</sup> October were confirmed.

7. SIGNATURE OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The minutes of the meetings were duly signed by the Chairman.

8. MATTERS ARISING

8.1 Playing Field/AFC Matters

Fixture lists have been received and forwarded to R.C.T. C.B.C. and to Councillor Stephens for his information.

8.2 Matters at Tylagarw

To be kept on the agenda.

8.3 Ambulance Hall Covenant

The Clerk was asked to try and contact St John Wales by telephone.

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#### 8.4 Graffiti Art

This is on hold until the bus shelter is painted.

#### 8.5 Food Bank at the Ambulance Hall

The Clerk reported that a few things need to be carried out to enable the Food Bank to operate from the Ambulance Hall which include the provision of hot water for hand washing facilities, the provision of paper hand towels and the blocking up of a few small holes around the building. Councillor Stephens reported that he had contacted Tesco, Talbot Green who had stated all their food donations were sent to the Church in Pontyclun; Spar and Worgan's had agreed to provide a point for food donations. He also stated that he intended to contact Aldi, Talbot Green.

#### 8.6 Christmas Lighting of the Cherry Tree at Ty Isaf

Councillor Stephens has finally managed to get the agreement of RCTCBC lighting to the provision of a power supply to the base of the tree and to low voltage lighting on the tree itself as long as the tree is secured by means of a fence. Members speculated whether enough time was now available to carry this out before the Christmas period.

#### 8.7 Correspondence from Watts & Morgan regarding the purchase of land to extend the Cemetery

Councillor Williams has informed the Clerk that a Mackintosh Probe can be hired at a cost of £30 a day or £100 per week.

#### 8.8 Consideration of the Play Area Quarterly Inspection Report

Due to the proposed budget cuts by RCTCBC it was decided to defer this item until the situation has been clarified and the impact felt by the Council to these cuts can be assessed.

#### 8.9 Consideration of a play area at Tylagarw

Councillor Stephens reported contacting RCTCBC about the land highlighted at the site meeting. He has been told that there shouldn't be a problem with utilisation of the land or obtaining planning permission for a play area.

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9. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM MEMBERS OF OUTSIDE BODIES AND COMMITTEES

No reports.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was noted:

RCTCBC

Community Boundary and Electoral Arrangements Review – Draft Proposals;  
Council Tax Precepts 2014-2015;  
Local Councils Explained – publication.

Vale of Glamorgan Council – VOG Local Development Plan 2011-2026: Deposit  
Plan Consultation.

SLCC – The Clerk, magazine.

War Memorials Trust – Call to Remember.

NALC – Clerks & Councils Direct, publication.

**Councillor Stephens declared an interest in the following item.**

11 PLANNING

The following were noted:

Planning lists from 23<sup>rd</sup> September to 1<sup>st</sup> November 2013.

Correspondence - RCTCBC – Town and Country Planning Act 1990  
13/0538/10 – Retrospective consent for access track and proposed stables – Land off Rhyd  
Y Castell, Llanharry Road. CF72 9UP.

**Councillor Thomas declared an interest in the following item and left the meeting.**

12 GRANTS

It was decided to defer this matter until the next meeting as Members felt unable to reach a decision without further information.

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**Councillor Thomas rejoined the meeting.**

13 CASUAL VACANCY

As the Notice of Casual Vacancy has now expired, applications for co-option onto the council can be considered. The Clerk confirmed that a notice to that effect has been put on the website and notices will be placed in the notice boards. Councillor Stephens agreed to publish the information in his column in the Diary.

14 ELECTION OF A COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE ALLOTMENT AND RECREATION GROUND CHARITY, YSTRADOWEN

It was decided to defer this decision until the next meeting when hopefully more members will be present.

15 CONSIDERATION OF PROJECTS FOR 2014/2015

The Clerk asked that Members think about projects for the coming financial year for consideration at the next meeting.

16 CONSIDERATION OF ANY CHANGES OR ADDITIONS TO THE GROUNDS MAINTENANCE CONTRACT FOR 2014/2015

It was decided to include the cutting of the grass area at Ty Isaf and for the cutting back of the shrubs in Ty Isaf Play Area to be carried out when required rather than annually. Members reported that the beds at Ty Isaf needs to have more impact visually and that any contractor interested in the maintenance contract for the coming year needs to make provision for far more bulbs/bedding in this area as well as the provision of more shrubs at the Cemetery Garden.

17 CONSIDERATION OF THE LITTER PICKING & REMOVAL OF RUBBISH FROM THE PLAYING FIELD & PLAY AREA

No official confirmation has been received regarding the position of RCTCBC and permanent arrangements can be put into place until the situation is confirmed.

18 CONFIRMATION OF THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

Resolved: the date of the next ordinary meeting was confirmed as Wednesday, 11<sup>th</sup> December 2013.

The meeting closed at 8.35 p.m.

SIGNED.....CHAIRMAN

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