

**LLANGYFELACH COMMUNITY COUNCIL.**

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**CYNGOR CYMUNED LLANGYFELACH.**

**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING**  
**HELD ON THURSDAY 14 FEBRUARY 2019.**

**Present: -**

P. Baker. (Chairman).	P. Gibson
P.R. Crayford.	M. S. Tribe.
	M. E. Boyter

**Minute No. 194/2018. – Apologies for Absence.**

M. A. Glover. (Death of Mother) & D. G. Sullivan (Ill Health).

**NOTED.**

**Minute No. 195/2018. – Member’s Family Death.**

**RESOLVED** to send a Remember Card with expressions of sympathy from the Council to Councillor M. A. Glover.

**Minute No. 196/2018. – Declaration of Interests from Members.**

The Clerk reported that there were no Declarations of Interests from Members.

**AGREED.**

**Minute. 197/2018 – To consider the Minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on 17 January 2019.**

The Minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on 17 January 2019 were considered and accepted as a true record.

**AGREED.**

**Minute. 198/2018 – To consider the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 17 January 2019.**

The Minutes of the Council meeting held on 17 January 2019 were considered and accepted as a true record.

**AGREED.**

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**Minute No. 199/2018 – To consider matters raised &/or referred to this Council, from previous Council Meetings.**

Nothing was raised under this Minute.

**AGREED.**

**Minute No. 200/2018. - To receive questions from Members of the Public.**

**The Meeting was adjourned by the Chairman.**

A resident of Llangyfelach Ward raised a question about the proposed West Wales Parkway Station.

The Chairman of the Council informed the resident that he & Councillor P. Gibson had recently attended a round table meeting at the Swansea University Bay Campus with the Secretary of State for Wales regarding this proposal & the Chairman reported that the Secretary of State was very enthusiastic about this proposed West Wales Parkway Station & Councillor Gibson's experience in the railway industry had been extremely helpful & well received.

**The Chairman reconvened the Meeting**

Details of what had been provided to the attendees of the above meeting & the key benefits of such a Station were circulated to Members by Councillor Gibson.

**NOTED.**

**Minute No. 201/2018. – To consider any matters relating to Llangyfelach Ward.**

Nothing was raised under this Minute.

**NOTED.**

**Minute No. 202/2018. – To consider any matters relating to Highways & Footpaths,**

Nothing was raised under this Minute.

**NOTED.**

**Minute No.203 /2018. – Latest position on transfer of land at Y Llwyni, Llangyfelach.**

The Clerk reported the Council had now received, from the Council's solicitors, a copy of the plan of the above land to be leased to the Council, showing the land to be leased outlined in RED & a public footpath that Swansea City Council are retaining edged & hatched in BLACK As to the request from the Community Council for a detailed report

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on the proposed lease, a copy of the Council's solicitors Emailed reply, dated is detailed below:-.

I refer to your recent emails which because of work commitments I have not had the opportunity to answer.

I also refer to our telephone conversation a few minutes ago.

1. I attach hereto the plan received from Swansea Council which as far as I am concerned is the Lease plan showing the pathway that they are retaining edged and hatched in black.
2. As it is a public footway you or your servants or agents would have a right of way over and across it.
3. In relation to the tree survey I think this is something you need to resolve with the appropriate department of Swansea Council before you sign the Lease
4. In relation to the second footpath all I can say is that this is owned by the Council, is in the land they propose to lease to you (whether it should be or not). I would not know whether it a public footpath but again this is something you may need to resolve with Council before you sign the Lease.
5. I have not had time to prepare a full report on the Lease which would add to the legal costs but as far as I am concerned there are no major issues of concern.

I await your instructions.

Copies of these documents, have been Emailed to Members

**RESOLVED** that before any further action is taken on this proposed lease, the Clerk arrange a convenient appointment for Members of the Council to meet on site Mr Bignall (who had prepared the Tree Survey of this land, for Swansea City Council) & Mr Holt (who had given the Community Council an update on the cost of cutting the grass on this land by Swansea City).

**Minute No. 204/2018. – To consider any matters relating to the Mynydd y Gwair Community Fund.**

Nothing was raised under this Minute.

**NOTED.**

**Minute No. 205/2018. – To consider the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Annual Report dated February 2019.**

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RESOLVED to refer this Item to the March Council Meeting.

**Minute No. 206/2018. – To consider & approve/determine (if thought appropriate) all Correspondence received, including, Invoices etc & Requests for Payment (see tonight's separate List of Correspondence & separate Schedule of Payments. (See Page 180/2018)**

The Clerk referred to the former system of reporting Correspondence. A total of 42 Items of Correspondence had been received as per the List of Correspondence with the Council's Agenda; of which 35 had been NOTED.

Decisions resolved on the **List of Correspondence** are as follows and based on the No. given in the List of Correspondence enclosed with the Council's Summons and Agenda.

**(A). Correspondence No.15. –Community & Town Council's Forum – Review of Charter.**

RESOLVED that the Community Council adopt the new Charter.

**(B). Correspondence No.34. –Lease Plan of land at Y Llwni, Llangyfelach & the Council's solicitors reply regarding the proposed lease & exclusion from the lease by the City & County of Swansea of part of the public footpath shown on the plan.**

RESOLVED that before any further action is taken on this proposed lease, the Clerk arrange a convenient appointment for Members of the Council to meet on site Mr Bignall (who had prepared the Tree Survey of this land, for Swansea City Council) & Mr Holt (who had given the Community Council an update on the cost of cutting the grass on this land by Swansea City).

**(C). Correspondence No.38. – Invoice for the External Audit fee for the Council's Accounts for the year ending 31 March2018.**

RESOLVED to pay the Wales Audit Office the sum of £449.40. (No VAT payable) in respect of the above fee.

**(D). Correspondence No.39. – Quotation for 3 No. floral bases on Llangyfelach Village Green – Summer 2019.**

RESOLVED to pay the City & County of Swansea the sum of £465.00.(incl.VAT of £67.50) for the above bases.

**(E). Correspondence No.40. – St John Cymru-Wales for the attendance of 2 No. First Aiders.**

RESOLVED to pay St John Cymru-Wales, the sum of £96.00. (incl. £16.00. VAT payable) for the attendance of 2 No. First Aiders at the Visit of Father Christmas to the Llangyfelach 2018 celebrations.

**(F). Correspondence No.41. – Invoice for the Closing Order made for the Visit of Father Christmas 2018.**

RESOLVED to pay the City & County of Swansea the sum of £283.00.(incl VAT of £47.20)

**(G). Correspondence No.42. – Verbal request for the payment for the annual donation for the attendance of a section of the Neath & Port Talbot Youth Brass Band on the Visit of Father Christmas to Llangyfelach in 2018.**

RESOLVED to donate the sum of £100.00 (No Vat payable) to N.P.T.Group Music Academy for their playing at the above Event.

**Minute No. 207/2018. – To consider matter relating to Finance.**

**(1). Balances.**

The Clerk reported that as at today's date, the Clerk had been verbally informed, by the Bank that the Council's Current Account stood at £13,021.71.and the Reserve Account at £21,949.46.

NOTED.

**Minute No. 208/2018. – To consider all other matters relating to Finance, including:-**

**(A). To consider the Bank Reconciliation Statement as at 31 January 2019.**

NOTED.

**(B). To consider the detailed Receipts & Expenditure by Budget headings as at 31 January 2019.**

NOTED.

**Minute No. 209/2018. – To consider any outstanding matters relating to the 2018 Christmas Festivities.**

Nothing was raised under this Minute.

AGREED.

**Minute No. 210/2018. – Clerk's Matters.**

Nothing was raised under this Minute.

NOTED.

**Minute No. 211/2018. – Purchase &/or Disposal of Books, Equipment etc.**

(191/2018).

Nothing was raised under this Minute.

**NOTED.**

**Minute No. 212/2018. Planning Matters.**

**(A). Weekly Lists of Registered Planning Applications.**

The following planning applications were discussed and Observations passed at the Council Meeting held at 7.00.p.m.on 14 February 2019 at the Llangyfelach Church Hall, Swansea Road, Llangyfelach, Swansea: -

Week No.	Plan.Appl.No.	Location.	Proposed Development.
02/2019.	-	-	-
03/2019. .			
04/2019.	-	-	-
05/2019.	-	-	-

**N.B. From 1 June 2017 the City & County of Swansea are no longer providing hard copies of planning applications or the weekly list. Details of the planning applications can be viewed online at <http://property.swansea.gov.uk>**

**(B). Any Other Planning Matters.**

The Clerk referred to Minute No. 174/2018. Planning Matters, where it was resolved that the Clerk be granted plenary powers to Object to Planning Application No. 2018/2508/FUL on behalf of the Community Council. Land off Rhydypanyd Road & Mynydd Gelli Wastad Road, Morrison, Swansea. Proposed construction of 20 affordable residential dwellings with access & landscaping works.

The Clerk informed Members of the Object to the above Planning Application, which had been submitted on behalf of the Council, were as follows:-

The Community Council wish to OBJECT to the above planning application on the grounds that:-

- (1). In the current UDP, the existing site is a green wedge in the countryside & in the draft LDP would be considered as development in the countryside & as such would be contrary to these policies.
- (2). To gain access to the proposed development, several mature trees would have to be felled, from a row of such trees fronting Mynydd Gelli Wastad Road. In addition it would require the removal of an existing hedge &

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several trees, running from the back boundary of “Penrhiw” Rhyd Y Pandy Road, across the site, to the rear boundary of “Cwrtnewydd” Mynydd Gelli Wastad Road which would further help to ruin this green wedge & the residential amenity of the adjoining properties.

- (3). The proposed development is too large for the size of the site.
- (4). The car parking arrangements for some of the proposed houses, on the site, are inappropriate e.g. Plot 3 car parking provision is too far away from this plot, being adjacent to the car parking provision for Plot 1, similarly the provision of car parking for Plot 17.
- (5). The proposed access/exit from this site is on to the very busy road of Mynydd Gelli Wastad, very near to Morriston Hospital, the major strategic hospital serving the Swansea area & West Wales region. This development, if granted, would further exacerbate the volume of traffic to Mynydd Gelli Wastad Road which has seen the volume of traffic to Morriston Hospital increase substantially each year.
- (6). The site is subject to surface water which drains onto the adjoining roads.
- (7). The site’s foul sewerage would have to be discharged to the Gowerton Sewerage Works which at present has little or no spare capacity for additional sewerage; especially bearing in mind the existing large sites for which planning permission has been granted or are in the process of being granted planning permission in the North & North West of Swansea.

**Minute No. 213/2018. – Date of Next Council Meeting.**

**RESOLVED** that the next Council Meeting will be held on 14 March 2019

**Approved by the Council & signed by the Chairman.....**

**Dated 14 March 2019.**