

MANORDEILO & SALEM COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MEETING 9th NOVEMBER 2016

Manordeilo and Salem Community Council held their meeting at 7.30pm on the 9th November 2016 at the Reading Room, Cwmifor.

PRESENT

Councillors Arwel Davies, Jill Davies, Gwenfil Evans, Hubert Gwynne, Peter Harries, Dorian Jenkins, Doris Jones, Andrew Thomas, Owen Williams and County Councillor Joseph Davies.

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

Cllr. Joseph Davies welcomed members to the meeting; apologies received from Councillors Alun Davies and William Loynton.

2. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

It was proposed by Cllr. O. Williams, seconded by Cllr. P. Harries and unanimously agreed, that the minutes of the last meeting held on the 12th October 2016, as typed and circulated, were correct. Signed by the Chair

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following declaration of interest was made:

Cllr. A. Thomas – Agenda Item 9 – Planning Applications E/34646 and E/34658

4. MATTERS ARISING

4.4.4. 4.4.10iv) With regard to the fly tipping on the Penybank to Salem road between Cwmgerwn and Llwydcoed, Carmarthenshire County Council (C.C.C.) had inspected the site and advised that as this was on private property and not causing any public health problems they would take no further action. It was agreed not to follow up for the time being.

4.4.4.5iii) The Clerk reported that the grant application to the Big Lottery A4A Fund to purchase four defibrillators had been successful. Clerk to submit the necessary paperwork confirming the terms and conditions of the grant. Clerk

4.4.5iii) Cllr. O. Williams, Joseph Davies and the Clerk had met prior to the meeting to review the Revised Financial Regulations. These revisions would be emailed or posted to Councillors for consideration and final decision at the December meeting. Clerk/All

5ii) With regard to the C.C.C. Sports Awards, the nomination of Cllr. Alun Davies for his work over many years with Llandeilo Rugby Football Club was in hand. Clerk

5vii) The Clerk had submitted the completed Community and Economic Development Survey to Eluned Morgan AM.

5ix) The Clerk advised that she had been in contact with Blue Wave Internet and under a Welsh Government funding Scheme it would be possible to have free internet connection for Salem and Cwmifor village halls. Cllr. P. Harries and the Clerk to discuss with the relevant hall committees prior to progressing with the applications. Cllr. P. Harries/Clerk

10ii) Cllr. D. Jenkins was thanked for clearing the overgrowth around the Taliaris Monument prior to the Remembrance Service.

13i) Cllr. Joseph Davies advised that he had discussed the various highway issues raised at the last meeting – the pot-hole in the vicinity of Nantgwynne had been repaired; the hedge cutting in the vicinity of Brynmarian was in hand; no developments on the overhanging roof at Glanyrafon or the road condition opposite the entrance to Geryllan, Cwmifor.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

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| i) Lloyds Bank Statement dated 01/11/2016, Sheet No 86, Credit Balance £8,761.83 | Noted |
| ii) HSBC Bank Statement dated 15/10/2016 Sheet No 315, Credit Balance £521.49 | Noted |
| iii) C.C.C. Community Resource Team (made up of Health Professionals and Social Care Professionals) re social care and wellbeing. | Noted |
| iv) C.C.C. re donations for, and eligibility to receive from, their Christmas Toy Box Scheme. | Website |

v) C.C.C. re removal of payphones by BT and the invitation to adopt these telephones for community use. It was agreed to express an interest in the telephone boxes in Rhosmaen and Salem.	Clerk
vi) Planning Aid Wales re a planning network for community and town councils.	Noted
vii) Wales Air Ambulance, invitation to visit their new airbase at Dafen, Llanelli.	Noted
viii) One Voice Wales, including Area Committee meeting, public appointments and consultations.	Noted
ix) Cancer Information and Support Services (CISS), request for financial assistance.	Feb
x) Home Start Dinefwr, request for financial assistance.	Feb
xi) Welsh Hearts Charity, request for financial assistance.	Feb
xii) Llanelli Centre for the Deaf, request for financial assistance.	Feb
xiii) Llangollen International Musical Eisteddfod, request for financial assistance.	Feb
xiv) Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution, Carmarthenshire, request for financial assistance.	Feb

6. BUDGET REVIEW

The Council budget together with the bank statement and cheques not presented was discussed. The Bank Statement dated 01/11/2016 showed a credit balance of £8,761.83. One cheque for £50.00 had been issued but not presented giving an actual balance of £8,711.83. It was proposed by Cllr. Arwel Davies, seconded by Cllr. A Thomas and unanimously agreed that the accounts be approved.

7. LIGHTING

- i) One of the lights at Ger y Llan Cwmifor was not working and this had been reported to C.C.C.
- ii) It was reported that the light opposite the turning into Golwg Y Gaer Salem was not working, Clerk to advise C.C.C.

Clerk

8. FOOTPATHS

No issues.

9. PLANNING

It was agreed to submit the following observations to C.C.C. Planning Department:

E/34552	Lean-to Extension to Existing Agricultural Building and Construction of a New Agricultural Building Cae Cadno Taliaris Llandeilo SA19 7DP S. D. Forbes No Observations
E/34646	Single Detached Dwelling and Integral Garage South of Neuadd Y Pentref Cwmifor Llandeilo SA19 7AW Mr and Mrs Davies

The Council strongly objects to the application for the following reasons:

- The design of the property is not in keeping with adjacent properties nor the general appearance and character of the village. The size of the property is disproportionately large for the plot and its location.
- The Council would also query the access onto the public highway as it was understood that this would be shared with the neighbouring property currently under construction. The access is close to the bend in the road on what is a fairly busy road which is compounded by the traffic movement generated by the users of the nearby village hall and church.

E/34658 Variation of Conditions
 Property adjacent to Neuadd y Pentref
 Cwmifor
 Llandeilo
 SA19 7AW
 Mr and Mrs Morgan

- The Council strongly oppose the variation proposed for the garage. The Council's original concern and objection was that the garage was sited too close to the boundary adjacent to the village hall and the subsequent adverse impact regarding light and the general enjoyment of the hall by the community. This adverse impact is already apparent and widely commented upon; by raising the pitch of the garage this would only serve to accentuate the problem.
- The Council oppose the variation regarding the grass verge as it was felt that a pavement would be a safer option.

10. CALEDFWLCH PLAY AREA

i) The uneven concrete paths had been broken up and removed and replaced with turf, substantial undergrowth had been removed, new fencing erected and one of the benches refurbished and securely positioned. The outstanding work was to strengthen some of the existing fencing, complete the refurbishment of the second bench and lay the hedge at the top of the playing area.

ii) The tree survey had been undertaken by Mr N.D. Thomas, Certified Arborist and his report was presented at the meeting. A detailed survey had been undertaken on 23 trees and each had been tagged for identification. No immediate action was required on any tree, there were four Class 2 trees that would require some clearance work within the next 12 months and it was agreed that this would be looked at again in the spring. The invoice for £300 for this survey was presented to the Council; it was proposed by Cllr. Arwel Davies, seconded by Cllr. D. Jones and unanimously agreed that this be paid from the Cwmifor Adventure Playground Account. Clerk

11. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

i) Mrs J. Davies, Clerk's Salary November 2016, (proposed by Cllr. D. Jenkins, seconded by Cllr. O. Williams and unanimously approved) Chq No 1194 £400.00

TOTAL £400.00

12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

i) The annual Gwyl Y Goeden would be celebrated in Salem this year between the 9th and 11th December 2016, the proceeds of which would be donated to Llyfrau Llafar Cymru (Talking Books Wales) It was proposed by Cllr. D. Jenkins, seconded by Cllr. D. Jones and unanimously agreed to make a donation of £50.00. Clerk

ii) The poor state of the wooden bench sited at Pont Isaac, Cwmifor was discussed, the Clerk to enquire about the cost of its repair. Clerk

As there was no further business, the Chairperson thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 9.10pm.

.....7th December 2016
 CHAIRPERSON