

Minutes of the meeting of Bronwydd Community Council held in Bronwydd Hall
On Wednesday 27th September, 2023 at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Cllr P Giles; Cllr R Carpenter; Cllr A Conti; Cllr S Phillips; Cllr G Morgan; Cllr G Evans; Cllr J Marchant; Cllr L Rowe and Cllr D Jones

Also in attendance: Mrs M Morgan (Clerk)

37/23 Apologies – It was RESOLVED to accept apologies from County Councillor B Davies and Mr H Jones (auditor). Chairman wished Cllr B Davies a speedy recovery following his stay in hospital.

38/23 Declaration of Interest – To be completed as and when matters arise.

39/23 To confirm and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 26/07/2023.

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 26/07/2023 be accepted as a true record.
Proposed by Cllr R Carpenter and seconded by Cllr S Phillips.

40/23 Comments from the Chairperson

Chairperson will comment on points as they arise.

41/23 Matters arising from the minutes.

(a) C/A £8048.83 D/A £12863.22

Balance sheet of accounts up to 27/08/2023 distributed to all councillors. Contents noted.

Invoices: - Bevan Buckland £75.90; Salary; Coffee morning £50.00 (Chairman's Allowance); Flower boxes £48.00; Charges £5.40

Income: - Precept £3714.33; Interest £19.74

(b) Y Graig junction – Cllr S Phillips declared an interest. No response received from County Council. Request to be made for copies of Llanpumsaint Community Council minutes.

(c) Safety barrier provision – Clerk has spoken to Mrs Williams at Felinfach. Awaiting a reply from Carmarthenshire County Council. Item to remain on Agenda.

(d) Garages in Cwmdwyfran – awaiting response from Carmarthenshire County Council

(e) Gwili Railway – following a further email from Cllr R Carpenter on the 28.08.23 Mr Matt Bowen replied on the 30.08.23 stating that they agreed that the area in question does need tidying and expected the work to be carried out over the winter.

(f) Subsidence near the church – Nothing further to report.

(g) Parking issues Bronwydd Road – Cllr B Davies has sent an e-mail to Mr Peter Hughes-Griffiths and Carmarthen Town Council regarding the concerns raised. No further information at present.

(h) Sheep Dip – Cllr G Evans has spoken to Mr W Evans and Mr R Evans, Trefynys who agreed that the work can be carried out. Agreed that Cllr Evans obtains 3 quotations for the work of clearing the area concerned, re-welding the metalwork and removing any rubbish. It was requested that photographs be taken of the area. Further discussion to be undertaken regarding the possibility of placing a plaque near the sheep dip.

(i) Funding requests – clerk to contact the Bowls Club for documentation regarding the grant given. Agreed to convene a subcommittee meeting before the next full meeting to discuss the funding policy. Cllr D Jones and Cllr A Conti agreed to be members of the subcommittee.

(j) 20mph speed limit – Cllr A Conti declared an interest. Noted the following points:-

- Pentremorgan is suffering due to the change in speed limit
- 400,000 have signed a petition against the new speed limit
- A484 is an A road – ambulance with sirens and blue lights unable to pass because of a queue of vehicles doing 13mph.
- Significant increase in traffic from 6.00a.m.
- Cars overtaking on the straight piece of road
- Pavement in Pentremorgan with 20mph, walking towards Cwmdwyfran pedestrians have to cross the road with 30mph before returning to 20mph
- Cost of new road signs

A lengthy discussion followed and it was agreed that there wasn't enough data at present and drivers require time to adjust. Agreed to leave the item on the agenda for further discussion.

42/23 Planning Applications/Decisions

Planning Department confirmed that all was in order with the alterations at the Old Smithy in Cwmdwyfran.

Conversion of garage to ancillary accommodation in part of the rear garden of the shared dwelling at Greenacres, Bronwydd Arms. No objections raised.

Raise roof of existing building to gain additional headroom in the loft area to create bedroom area at Fron Fras, Bronwydd. No objections raised.

43/23 Correspondence

No correspondence received

44/23 Items for discussion and decision (Must be put on the agenda prior to the meeting)

None

45/23 County Councillors Feedback and Question time

Upper Bronwydd - nothing

Cwmdwyfran – 20mph signs have been damaged.

Pentremorgan – nothing

Lower Bronwydd – water from road side gullies outside Parciau running down the hill and across the Graig junction. Reported on Fix my Street.

46/23 Any other Business

- a) Complaint received about the speed of the evening bus from Llanpumsaint through the village. This complaint received before the new speed limit signs were installed.
- b) Remembrance service 11/11/23 – new wreaths to be purchased. Following a discussion it was agreed that replacement wreaths be purchased when necessary. 2 minute silence will be at 11.00a.m. promptly. Refreshments will be held in the hall following the service.
- c) Cllr A Conti reported that there was ash die on the hedges of his field. Removal work will be undertaken in November.
- d) Cllr A Conti reported that a resident on the lower road was tipping garden waste into the river. Evidence of Japanese knotweed on the river bank. Resident spoken to.
- e) Fallen tree remains in the river. Concerns raised regarding flooding if debris blocks the bridge further down the river.

47/23 Date, location and time of the next meeting

**RESOLVED that the next monthly meeting would be held on
Wednesday 25th October, 2023 at 7.00p.m.
The meeting closed at 8.30 p.m.**