



**CYNGOR TREF  
LLANFAIRFECHAN  
TOWN COUNCIL**



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**MINUTES FROM WEDNESDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> JUNE 2022  
MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL**

In attendance: Chair: Mayor Chris Jones; Deputy Cllr Laura Fielding; Cllr Leena Farhat; Cllr Andrew Hinchliff; Cllr Claire Hughes (on ZOOM); Cllr Nia Jones; Cllr Alun Rhys Jones; Cllr Christine Roberts; Cllr Preben Vangberg  
Pat Saunderson was in attendance as prospective candidate for the Lafan Ward vacancy

9. Welcome by Chair of Meeting – All were welcomed.

10. To receive apologies for absence: Cllr Penny Andow; Cllr Gareth Jones; Cllr Elgan Owen

Resolved to receive and take note

11. To receive declaration of interest – Code of Local Government Conduct applies

No declaration of Interest were made

Resolved to receive and take note

12. To receive representations and queries from the public. No members of the public were present at the meeting

Resolved to receive and take note

13. To receive and approve minutes 11<sup>th</sup> May 2022 & 18<sup>th</sup> May 2022 No Action List was available.

14. Minutes had been received previously and were taken as read.

1. Promenade Jetty shelter – waiting on Conwy CBC legal about possible transfer of ownership.

Proposed Cllr A Hinchliff Seconded Cllr N Jones

Resolved to approve and take note

15. To receive information from applicants for co-option of Lafan Ward casual vacancy. Following a request for preparatory information from candidates, one had submitted and was in attendance. Council had received the information prior to the meeting. Councillor Claire Hughes supported the application and proposed Ms Saunderson for the vacancy noting that she will be great addition to the Council. Cllr Andrew Hinchliff noted that he had known the candidate all her life and seconded the application. All approved – unanimous

Resolved to approve and take note

16. To receive and approve Internal Audit Report 2022

Proposed Cllr C Roberts Seconded Cllr N Jones

Resolved to approve and take note

17. To receive and approve Environmental Committee Information

1. Enraw funding application for Glan y Mor Elias

Work has started towards developing the project and information for the boards is being gathered. Match funding of £2701.59 from Town Council was agreed unanimously.

2. Benches plan for the Cob and around the village

Four lots of residents are keen to put up memorial benches – the idea is to put these along the cob. Oak or Plastic are about the same price. There is a firm in Llanrwst, and we have a paper catalogue, and they produce simple oak benches with or without a back are possible. It was considered whether more picnic tables are relevant – this is something to consider. BBQs could be developed maybe a brick version, but concerns were raised about possible mess.

Resolved to approve and take note

3. Flags plan for Station Road

A project to replace the hanging baskets which do not last well. Flags could offer an opportunity to support various different themes throughout the year – this has worked in other local towns. Staff team to progress this project and feedback going forward.

4. Dwr Anafon project plan for Morfa Madryn

Tied into the Glan y Mor project – funding has been agreed and work is going ahead for this. Clerk to email to joiner to order the work.

## 5. Weedkiller – resident query

Concerns about the County Council use of Glyphosate in weedkiller locally with a request that this substance is banned and not used in the town. Clerk sent an email and received a response from Conwy CBC to say that they are looking into alternatives but do currently use it. Other Councils have started to ban this weedkiller and it was agreed that Clerk should email Conwy CBC again to remind them that other councils have managed to find alternatives and show the evidence. Resolved to receive and take note

## 18. To receive review on Kickstarter community planning day

We are awaiting formal feedback from Planning Aid Wales, but initial impressions were positive with a fair amount of residents support at the planning session. It was noted that a range of consultation activities take place to widen the resident group, and this is planned for future work. A youth volunteer attended the session, and the plan is that this could help for consultation work for children and young people as part of a Duke of Edinburgh scheme. Play sufficiency survey can be used to develop this work, supplemented with face-to-face interviews. Going forward the idea is a July consultation event 3pm to 5pm and then 6pm to 8pm with cakes etc on offer and a social event in September possibly at the sailing club to launch the partnership which should have formed by then. Resolved to receive and take note

## 19. To discuss CCBC Chwarae Allan Playing Out Scheme 2022

The cost is £810 for 1 session a week for 5 weeks. This was successful last year, and it was agreed to run the same sessions again this year. All unanimous Resolved to approve and take note

## 20. To receive list of committees and Chair of committees

List was circulated and agreed. Resolved to receive and take note

## 21. To receive information and approve Cllr Town Twinning trip

Trip went well and it was enjoyed by all. Communication was difficult but it was noted that Cllr Preben had done really well with using his French language skills. The project would like more inclusion and contact between schoolchildren of the two towns – maybe something to develop for the future. It was proposed that as the Cllr was representing the Town Council, the trip should be funded by Town Council. Clerk to action the process.

Proposed Cllr C Jones Seconded Cllr N Jones Unanimous Resolved to approve and take note

## 22. To receive and approve Finance Reports

These were shared prior to the meeting and on screen at the meeting. Our total c/f figure for 2022/23 was £88,340. As we have agreed, half of our precept will always be kept as a working reserve. This means our excess project reserve currently stands at just under £38,500 to be transferred to project account.

£11,000 of this will need to be kept for the agreed extra staffing costs of Kirsty's role, £3000 for the Glan y Mor Elias project and some of it needs to be kept for play work as agreed at Town Council 2019. However, this does give us some wriggle room for benches.

Proposed Cllr C Jones Seconded Cllr N Jones Unanimous Resolved to approve and take note

## 23. To receive and approve current payments for May 2022

1. Wages and pensions - Staff Wages and Employer & Employee April pension payments £4600
2. Kirsty Merrell Daily REIM TENS June payment and window merch
3. Jayne Neal REIM fuel costs to Pontblyddyn Cricket Club for Audit x 2 trips 192 miles £86.40
4. Reality Boffins Blue tooth speaker £80
5. CCBC Business rates Village Road Car Park £22.80
6. SLCC training Cllr Laura Fielding £35.00
7. Worldcare Skips x 2 £468.00 (retrospective payments)
8. s137 grant Llan TC Llanfairfechan Football Club 1224.90 (retrospective payment)
9. s137 grant Llan TC Llanfairfechan Community Hall (s19 grant) 3000.00 (retrospective payment)

Proposed Cllr A Hinchliff Seconded Cllr N Jones Unanimous Resolved to approve and take note

## 24. To discuss planning matters

0/49529 (amendment) Tu Hwnt Ir Afon 9 The Close

0/49558 (variation) Fernbank Penmaenmawr Road

0/49599 Part of Sea Wall Approximately 1.1km from the Pavilion Car Park Llanfairfechan Conwy

0/49606 Y Bwthyn Tyddyn Drycin

No observations – applicants to follow advice of Conwy CBC Resolved to receive and take note

**25. To receive correspondence**

1. Promenade shelter – email received about the shelter by the jetty. It has been recently washed due to people using it as a toilet for years. The resident asks if a light could be installed and has been advised to contact Conwy CBC through the reporting system. It was noted this is a longstanding problem and one that will not be easily addressed. Resolved to receive and take note

2. Litter picking equipment - Caru Cymru’ – partnership with Conwy CBC and Keep Wales Tidy

Prior to the Covid-19 Lockdown controls that were in place, Conwy CBC started to look into the prospect of Town Council becoming an equipment lending hub for community activities of litter picking as both single and group activities. Conwy CBC are hoping to expand the hub network further into the central primary locations of the county where volunteers can have an equidistant location point to their preferred locations for these activities, making access to the equipment easier for them. This is part of an All-Wales Welsh Government initiative titled ‘Caru Cymru’ co-administered between Keep Wales Tidy and Conwy County Borough Council. It was agreed unanimously Llanfairfechan should be part of the scheme. Clerk to contact Conwy CBC Resolved to approve and take note

**26. To receive reports from meetings**

Llanfairfechan Community Hall held an AGM on June 14<sup>th</sup>. Debate about whether the hall takes up too much of the Clerk’s time, however, it’s a difficult one as Town Council do gain benefit from the base at the hall. Hall is getting busier with weddings, parties and funerals. Same officers in place on the committee and extra committee members have joined. Equipment has been purchased to professionalise the venue and it is well set up for formal occasions. Lots of agencies are coming back to the hall – fees are going to be considered this year due to fuel costs.

Llanfairfechan Sailing Club – Mayor and Deputy Mayor invited to discuss the planning process for the extended boatyard. Covenant on the land opposite the houses has put a hold on the extension plan and they are now looking at different plots. The club are struggling to get a clear answer from Conwy CBC but there is a suggestion that a new boatyard could be built to the right of the jetty access road as this is not covered by covenant. The Club committee were keen that Town Council are kept updated with the situation. Further information will be shared when possible.

Event committee . Resident Ceri Jones has started to constitute a new events committee for Llanfairfechan and a first meeting has taken place. A further meeting is planned for Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June at the hall to discuss plans for Llanfest in August. Resolved to receive and take note

**27. To receive urgent concerns & compliments**

1. Footbridge off Station Road – this looks unsightly with plastic barriers Clerk to email CCBC to request permanent solution

2. Playground areas – warning signs for entrances. Clerk to email Conwy CBC to notify of the danger

3. Old beach huts – these will be looked at through the kickstarter community planning and the flood regeneration. Ideas discussed were young persons project to paint the huts in bright colours (this could include the tunnel at Shore Road East) or refurbishing and reopening as huts, but this would require management by Town Council and would mean private use of renters. Clerk to discuss with PCSO Sara who has an interest and Conwy CBC department.

4. Station road Toilets – these are still shut, and residents are very unhappy. Clerk to email facilities to find out what is planned. All partnership development with regards to public toilets has been on hold due to Covid -19. Clerk to pick up on this and email Conwy CBC urgently

5. Residents are concerned about the plants at the cenotaph and other areas. It was proposed that we purchase a backpack sprayer so that Environmental Operative could water periodically. Clerk to action this and supervise the process.

6. There is a resident in the area of Parc Crescent that has multiple vehicles and is taking up many parking spaces. The recycle van was unable to access the area due to a vehicle parked on the corner. Town Council ask that residents park with care to minimise any access difficulties, in particular, any that block the area from public service or emergency vehicles. Clerk to email Conwy CBC and NW Police to ask if anything can be done to help the situation.

7. New councillor Pat Saunderson was welcomed, and it was reported that a declaration of acceptance will be made at the next meeting

28. The meeting closed at 8:40pm. Next Meeting : Llanfairfechan Town Council Annual Meeting Wednesday 6th July 2022 at 7pm