

Llanyblodwel Parish Council

Minutes of a Meeting of Llanyblodwel Parish Council held on Thursday 12th September 2024 at 7.30pm in the Llanyblodwel and Porthywaen Memorial Institute.

Present: Cllr A R Beckett (Chair), Cllr T Lewis, Cllr P Shellard, Cllr H Dixon, Cllr B Edwards, Cllr N Williams, Cllr B Cross.

In attendance: The Clerk (Amy Jones). 2 members of the public.

MINUTES

60.24 Apologies for absence

To receive apologies for absence.

Apologies for absence received and **ACCEPTED** from Cllr Ron Argyle and Cllr Darren Counsell.

61.24 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

a) Declaration of any disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter to be discussed at the meeting and which is not included in the register of interests. **None declared.**

b) To consider applications for dispensation. **None received.**

62.24 Public Participation Session

A period of 15 minutes will be set aside for the public to speak on any items on the agenda.

- Query raised about the roll out of Freedom Fibre and upcoming work.
- Water running down Sam's Lane – still an issue, periodically flowing when it is pumped from the property. Clerk to follow up with Shropshire Council as there has been no feedback following the initial enquiries made regarding water flowing onto the highway.

63.24 Minutes

To confirm the minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 11th July 2024.

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 11th July 2024 and a copy was signed by the Chair as a true record of the meeting.

64.24 Planning Matters

a) Planning Decisions, Updates and Appeals – To note

- I. **Reference:** 24/01999/PAAFC (Proposed change of use of land and building from Agricultural to Commercial B8 Storage - The Yard Porth-y-waen Shropshire
Status: Prior Approval not Required.
- II. **Reference:** 24/01358/FUL (validated: 15/04/2024)
Address: Cartref, Blodwel Bank, Treflach, Oswestry, Shropshire, SY10 9HR
Proposal: Erection of New Replacement Residential Dwelling following Demolition of Existing Residential Dwelling and Outbuildings
Decision: Grant Permission

NOTED.

b) Planning Applications for consideration (Please view Shropshire Council Planning Register online prior to the meeting).

- III. **Reference:** 24/03125/VAR (validated: 14/08/2024)
Address: Hillcrest, Pen-y-bont Llanerch Emrys, Oswestry, Shropshire, SY10 9JF
Proposal: Variation of condition no. 2 (approved drawings) attached to planning permission ref 23/01777/FUL to alter the design of the approved drawings to make better use of space and the views

It was **RESOLVED** to **MAKE A REPRESENTATION** with the following comments:
The Parish Council have no comments to make on this application.

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c) Consider Planning applications not listed above that are received after the issue of this agenda and are included on Shropshire Council's website.

I. **Reference:** 24/03476/LBC

Proposal: Removal of modern internal partition walls and internal modern doorsets at first floor. The removal of an existing modern rooflight and infill of aperture.

Address: Brynyfedwen, Llanyblodwel, Oswestry, Shropshire, SY10 8NG.

It was **RESOLVED** to **MAKE A REPRESENTATION** with the following comments:
The Parish Council have no comments to make on this application.

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Reports – To consider

a. **Clerk's Report** – The following report was **NOTED**.

Matter reported to Clerk / matters ongoing / update	Action Taken
<p>Llynclys Crossroads Speed concerns Bryn Melyn to Llynclys crossroads Possibility of improved signage to warn motorists of children at play area, narrow bridge and elderly residents crossing road, possibly reduce speed to 30mph.</p> <p>Highways England – awaiting an update following the announcement that they have submitted a request to fund a reduced speed limit and the installation of a speed camera.</p>	<p>On agenda to be discussed.</p> <p>On-going.</p>
<p>Outstanding Highways maintenance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Llansantffraid Junction – re-lining at junction was not done on 14th March – followed up. • Bottom of Blodwel Bank – Junction needs re-lining. • Overgrown hedges along footpath Llynclys to Bryn Melyn – residents unable to walk along it. Reported on fix my street and Cllr Hunt followed up. 	<p>On-going.</p>
<p>Turner's Lane A site meeting took place on 16.08.23 with The Clerk, Cllr Hunt, a Highways Technician, Cllr Counsell and a resident. The source of the issue is on Llynclys Hill which is owned by Shropshire Wildlife Trust. Shropshire Council to liaise with them to discuss a possible solution as when the water reaches Turner's Lane and runs down the lane, it becomes a Highways issue. SC to also liaise with ROW as the Bridleway is now barely rideable.</p>	<p>On-going</p> <p>Residents have been contacted. Meetings to be arranged to discuss how the issues can be addressed. Chased up as no meetings have yet been arranged.</p>
<p>Defibrillators 4 x new pads to be replaced Sept 24. Followed up as not yet received.</p>	<p>To note.</p>
<p>Streetlights Streetlight at bottom of Turner's Lane glowing blue – reported to Highline. Waiting for some replacement parts from manufacturer and unsure when they will be delivered.</p>	<p>To note.</p>

b. **Councillor Reports** (Each Councillor is requested to use this opportunity to report minor matters of information not included elsewhere on the agenda and to raise items for future agendas)

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No reports.

c. Police Report

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Community priorities:

1. Drugs
2. Theft / farm
3. Speeding

Priority 1

No reported incidents of drugs during this time frame.

Priority 2

A report of a male walking along the A483 with a large bag. The informant spoke of satellite equipment being stolen in the local area. Nothing report stolen at the time of this report being drafted. We have also had a report of a battery for gardening equipment being stolen from a car. Nothing seen or heard at the time of the theft.

The two incidents are not linked due to the time difference.

Priority 3

On the beat in Oswestry and Ellesmere

We have received 2 reports of youths causing concerns at the cross roads of the A483 and A495 outside the White Lion pub. Youths were spoken to but denied causing any issue. Words of advice were given.

Emerging trends - Requests for information - other.

An elderly lady had unwanted workers at her house. She gave a very good report and has been issued with a driveway alarm and timer to enable lights to come on and off automatically when she is out. If any unwanted workers offer to do any work on your property, please take the registration of the vehicle and call it through to police, who can liaise with trading standards at the council.

A second report of ASB was received for the Bryn Melyn area. Youths have been in the area causing concerns. It is thought to be the same youths that have been spoken to regarding issues at the crossroads.

NOTED.

d. Shropshire Councillor Report

Cllr Hunt was not present to provide a report.

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Finance

a) To approve the following payments. The following payments were **APPROVED:**

Cheque No/BACS ref	Payee	Details	Amount (inc VAT)
13	A Jones	Clerks Salary (9 weeks), mileage, HOA, expenses	£695.27
14	HMRC	PAYE Payments	£177.95
15	Webhosting UK Com Ltd	Website hosting – 12 months	£62.81
DD	Shropshire Council	S/Light Energy – 2 nd Quarter (paid 30.08.24)	£193.87
Direct	Unity Trust	Bank Charges – 3 months	£18.00

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- b) **To note income received. None received.**
- c) **To approve the bank reconciliation up to and including 31st August 2024. APPROVED.**
- d) **Neighbourhood Fund (CIL) Monitoring Form** – To note the information on the form, to be signed by The Clerk, The Chair and The Shropshire Councillor. It was AGREED that whilst the discussions are still ongoing with Shropshire Council regarding Play Equipment in the Parish, the Neighbourhood Funds will remain in Earmarked Reserves for this purpose. The form was signed and will be returned to Shropshire Council and a copy published on the website.

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Asset Management / Parish Maintenance / Parish Matters

- a) **Closed Churchyards - Wall repairs** – Receive an update on the ordered work. Additional stone has been required to complete the work at Morton. This has been on order from Llyncllys Quarry and will be completed asap. Phillips and Curry will then aim to complete Item 5 at Llanyblodwel (ordered in May) before Winter. NOTED.
- b) **Closed Churchyards** – Tree Inspections – Consider Reports. It was NOTED that the tree inspections at Llanyblodwel and Morton have now been completed and there are no recommendations for any work to be carried out. The issue of the self set trees sprouting again in the tomb was raised and agreed that the contractors be asked to spray / cut them back again.
- c) **Play Equipment for the Parish** – Receive an update on the request made to Shropshire Council to add some equipment/replace removed items at Dolgoch. The Clerk reported that, in principle, the Open Spaces Team would support this proposal and it was agreed that a site meeting be arranged to discuss this further. Awaiting a meeting date from Shropshire Council.
- d) **Signage for Bryn Melyn and West Mercia PCC Safer Roads Funding** – Receive an update following discussions with Shropshire Councils Highways Traffic Engineer. Shropshire Council have responded to say that there is no history of ATC or any other form of speed data at this site. The VAS hasn't been working properly since it was installed in Bryn Melyn so when it is, data can be downloaded from this and analysed. If the Parish Council want to get an automated Traffic Counter (ATC), the cost would be £870, including full implementation and report.

In terms of an elderly people crossing warning triangle, the agreed location is as close as possible to the inlet in the estate, down into the play area. The Clerk has asked SC to confirm that, if the PC go ahead and get funding for the signs, would SC then install them and adopt them, if the PC donate the money to them to carry out the work. Awaiting details on cost and confirmation of this, as this is required before making the grant.

68.24

Shropshire Council – Survey – Partnering to provide Services in the Parish

Consider and agree a response to the survey.

The proposal from Shropshire Council was discussed and it was RESOLVED to confirm that Llanyblodwel Parish Council are not in a position to help due to financial constraints.

69.24

Place Plan Review – Feedback

Discuss the outcome of the review in relation to nominated infrastructure items and the items put forward by the Parish Council for inclusion.

The feedback was considered and noted. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk make contact with the Clerk at Oswestry Rural Parish Council to ascertain whether they have any plans to order an ATC for Nantmawr.

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Correspondence - To note:

- a. SALC and NALC Newsletters and Bulletins.
- b. PPC Newsletters
- c. Shropshire Project Gigabit Stakeholder Update - August 2024
- d. National Flood Forum August Newsletter
- e. Shropshire Council - Broadband infrastructure briefing note

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- f. Information from Shropshire Council about garden waste subscriptions
- g. Invitation to the SALC AGM.

NOTED.

To consider:

- a) **Local Nature Recovery Strategy survey – consider responding to the survey**

NOTED and agreed that people be encouraged to respond.

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Next Meeting

To note the date, time and location of the next meeting.

Thursday 14th November, 7.30pm

Clerk to order 2 Wreaths for the Parish.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 20.29