

SULLY AND LAVERNOCK COMMUNITY COUNCIL/CYNGOR CYMUNED ABERSILI A LARNOG

**Ordinary Meeting of the Council
6.30pm Monday 18th November 2024**

In accordance with the provisions of the Local Authorities (Coronavirus)(Meetings)(Wales) Regulations 2020, the meeting was held by way of the remote participation (Zoom) of the members of the Council and public. The Community Councils remote meetings protocols applied.

Part 1

1. Minutes 117/24

Present

- Steve Oaten (Proper Officer)
- Vicki Judd (VJ)
- Kay Bowring (KB)
- Nicky Parry (NP)
- Jackie Payne (JP)
- Robin Lynn (RL)
- Martyn James (MJ)
- Dave Cannon (DC)

Apologies 118/24

- None

2. Declarations of interests. (Previously verbally disclosed and as the councillors were in attendance applies to all meetings) 119/24

- JP. Works for the WAG
- VJ. Jubilee Playgroup/Chair of Governors and Minor Authorities Rep Sully School/Saving Sully and Lavernock Group/Trustee Sully and Lavernock Community Library Trust
- RL. Council Rep Evenlode School/Member of the Liberal Democratic Party
- NP. Trustee Sully and Lavernock Community Library Trust

3. To approve the minutes of the previous meeting 120/24

- The community council agreed that the minutes of the previous meeting of the 7TH October 2024 were an accurate reflection of the meeting that took place.

4. To approve the schedule of payments 121/24.

- The community council agreed the payment schedule as prepared by the Proper Officer and explanations were given where appropriate.

5. To receive a report from representatives of external bodies at Sully Primary School, Evenlode School, Chemical Advisory Board and Community Liaison Panel 122/24

- Representatives of external bodies provided updates to the meeting
- Councillor Judd - Sully Primary School – The next meeting the Councillor will attend is on the 26th November. She had nothing else to report.

- Councillor Lynn – Evenlode School – The next meeting the Councillor will attend is on the 10th December. He had nothing else to report.
- Councillor James – Chemical Advisory Board – There had been no recent meetings and therefore nothing to report.
- Councillor Parry – Community Liaison Panel – The councillor advised the meeting that at the most recent meeting she attended on the 10th October the emergency services gave an overview of what was happening and where. The Police reported that Penarth Town Centre was seeing numerous offences of theft (Shoplifting). Drug dealing was predominantly found in Barry Town Centre where an ongoing intervention by a number of departments was ongoing. The rural vale was seeing an increase of hunting activities at night with dogs. There were now only four PCSOs to cover the VOG. The councillor will circulate their details to the council.

The fires service reported a 24% decrease in calls to fires over the last year. 54% of calls were house fires with 44% being accidental. Non house fires were various sources. They had some 226 special call outs over the last year flooding/accidents/medical/rescue incidents. They attended 42 road traffic collisions which was less than the previous year. They saw a 6% increase in attendance at automatic fire alarm calls. From 6/1/25 they will be changing their response to fire alarms at business premises. Between 1800hrs and 0800 they will respond as usual but during daytime hours they will only respond if someone on the premises confirms there is a fire. They carried out a number of safety engagement activities with schools and visited homes.

- There was an input from those responsible for the local bus services. There are only 3 commercial services left in the Vale with funding streams from the VOGC, Welsh Government and various grants. They are hopeful that the upgrades being carried out to various bus stops will see real time information displayed for users in 2025.

6. Democratic Half Hour. The public were invited to make representations on business being transacted at the meeting or propose items for the agenda of the next meeting (Time constraints applied) 123/24

- There were no members of the public at the meeting so the Chair moved to the next agenda item.

7. To receive any updates from the Proper Officer and councillors and discuss and resolve upon any further actions required (including but not limited to, Recent Meetings, Linear Park Application, User Fee, s etc) 124/24

- The Proper Officer and Councillors gave an update as to various meetings attended and projects and events.
- Councillor Lynn reported on enquiries regarding the establishment of the Sycamore stand of trees at Hayes Road into the National Forest scheme. This could assist with any future or proposed development in the area. The Councillor is looking to develop this idea.
- Councillor Judd had attended a recent surgery hosted by County Councillor Wendy Gilligan. She asked various questions of the councillor around school funding and recent expenditure on the bus shelters in Sully. She invited the Councillor to attend the next meeting of the council or provide a report. To date she has not attended a meeting or provided a report for dissemination.
- The Proper Officer and Councillor Cannon updated the council in relation to a meeting that they had attended with Lucy Butler, the section 106 officer at the VOGC. It would appear that the feasibility study in respect of the Linear park will be given the go ahead with various monies and grants set aside. The Community Council will need to consider what use they want for open spaces such as the bowling green, which could be incorporated into the feasibility study.
- The library lease was discussed and an action required of the Proper Officer was required to establish who actually owns the building. He will report back to the council.
- The cladding at Jubilee Hall will go ahead in the colour decided by council. The Proper Officer was asked to liaise with the contractor regarding issues of fitting and insulation. He will report back to the council.
- The Council need to review arrangements regarding storage and fees that are paid by users. The matter was discussed and the Proper Officer has been asked to write to all users regarding their use of the facilities particularly storage.

8. To discuss and agree the members allowance and acceptance of the recommendations of the Remuneration Panel for Wales 125/24

- The members allowance and other recommendations as proposed by the Remuneration Panel for Wales was accepted by the Community Council.

9. To discuss and resolve upon the Co-Option of Graham Parry to the Council 126/24

- The community council were asked to discuss and agree to the co-option of Mr Graham Parry onto the council. He was unanimously accepted and co-opted by the Council and welcomed by the Chair.

10. To discuss and resolve upon the next actions in respect of the Councils website 127/24

- This item was deferred until the next meeting.

11. To discuss and resolve upon next actions regarding the library lease 128/24

- This item was deferred until the next meeting.

12. To discuss and resolve upon next action in respect of the boiler at the Pavilion 129/24

- This item was deferred until the next meeting. The Proper Officer has been asked to obtain some further quotes regarding the replacement of the boiler in the Pavilion.

13. To discuss and agree upon the colour and extent of the cladding works at Jubilee Hall 130/24

- This item had been discussed and resolved following some clarification earlier in the agenda.

14. To discuss and agree upon the councils budget for 2025 – 2026 131/24

- This item was deferred until the next meeting

15. The provisional date of the next meeting of the Community Council is that of The Finance Committee on the 2nd December 2024 132/24

- The Proper Officer advised that it may be an Ordinary meeting dependant on items for discussion.

Part 2

In accordance with section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to meetings) Act 1960. In view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted the public were excluded from this part of the meeting

There was no requirement for the declaration or exclusion of the public as there were none present.

1 To receive any confidential updates from the Proper Officer and Councillors and discuss and resolve upon any further actions required 133/24

- There were no confidential items raised by the Proper Officer or Councillors

2 To discuss and resolve upon the recipient of this year's Millenium Shield Award 134/24

- The Community Councillors agreed the recipient of this year's Millenium Shield award which would be presented at the Carols around the tree event in December

The meeting concluded at 20.45 hours.

Steve Oaten - Proper Officer to the Council.

..... Chair.