**Minutes of the Meeting of the**

**Pwyllgor Lles Llangrannog Welfare Committee**

**13 October 2022**

**Present**: Kat Dawes, Jane Green, Tracey Rix, Jez Rix, Cynyr Ifan, Gari Pwyll, Gail Robinson, Gari Pwyll, Paul Dawes, Helena Boyesen.  
**Apologies:** Anne-Marie Bollen, Adrian Brice.   
**Minutes** of the last meeting proposed correct by Gari, seconded by Clive.

**1. Matters arising  
1.1 (1.2)** **Risk assessments.** Ongoing.

**1.2 (1.3)** **Landscaping** by the **phone box**. Supporting wall by the entrance to the gents – Council have been to check; no action.

**1.3 (1.6)** **Bell**. Site meeting (action by next month).

**1.4 (1.7) Lime Kiln**. There is still no response from Council on whether we would be liable for business rates now or in the future (as we are a company). Pat Geary has offered to repair up to 10k. Insurance company won’t cover damage/repairs but we are covered for public liability. We could leave it as it’s not going anywhere, but if it became someone else’s property in the future it may cause issues.

As the Council are not getting back to us, we took a vote and decided to take the kiln on.

**1.5 (1.9) Local Places for Nature Grant** (KWT) County ecologist or some other expert in biodiversity etc. required to visit site; GR liaising with grant lady on this as grant is only worth a few hundred. People’s Postcode Lottery – will be open again in January. Need a set of audited accounts. National Garden Scheme community garden grants.

**1.6 (1.11) Wellbeing of Future Generations Act** – Publicise Council’s new plan via Hwb etc. and on our website.

**1.7 (2.2) Garden** – we have the deeds but there is some confusion about whether it covers the entire garden site and thus allows us to apply for land registration easily. If it does, yes we go ahead.

**1.8 (2.3) Canolfan Crannog** Pat Geary has offered to put us in touch with a Housing Association friend who can discuss possible options.

**1.9** (**3.2)** A query from Mari Hobbs was answered. The Welfare Committee have not taken over the Canolfan Crannog project; we are trying to ascertain the legal ramifications in order to allow the project to move on. Public meetings will be held once there are options available to discuss.   
  
**1.10 (4.1)** Second home owners inclusion. We need someone to take this on as a project, including using email list (and considering GDPR). Making the most of the community including second home owners who are willing to engage. We can make a start with inviting them all specifically to the unveiling of the Cranogwen statue.

**1.11 (4.3)** **Youth forum.** Local youngsters are interested and this will happen in New Year. To be part of Cranogwen unveiling etc. as well.

**1.12 (4.4)** **Electric vehicle** strategy for Wales. GJ contacted council and Clic. All Welsh counties have been approached by the WA about provision; nothing in Ceredigion as yet. We could send a letter as a community – any info and ideas.

**2. Agenda   
2.1.** **Garden** funding and progress. The Welsh slate and horses heads (natural stones) have arrived and works begins again third week October. The Welsh Cerrig slate with inset metal letters replaces some of the Forest of Dean stone. This is much cheaper. Costs are going up all the time. Foundry, materials etc. Cranogwen still has to be pushed by MWW so that there is some money left to pay Seb.

The plinth is now to be bronze. We’ve had two payments from CCC. We have about 9k left we can claim for. We have paid for 50% of the Forest of Dean stone. The JustGiving fund is rising steadily; many donate directly to our account to avoid fees. We are currently breaking even. The Cranogwen performance is donating 10% from ticket sales and all the money from the Pontgarreg performance. There is a film being made about the process which has been pitched to S4C.

Open Studio was very successful (1-2 October and a busload from Coleg Ceredigion). There will be another one in Nov/Dec.

Please all share the fundraising page and think of fundraising events. Plants have been offered and we could have a plant sale in the spring.

**2.2. Ffynon Fair Report.** Phil Cope’s report has been published and publicised. With the current push on Cranogwen we will leave this till next year.

**2.3. Banking/finance clarification.** HSBC was fined last year and have tightened up procedures, so they require detailed information on all directors of businesses.

Charity staus would create a different set of (personal) liabilities and difficulties. The Committee was changed from charity status some years ago to a company limited by guarantee.

**2.4 History of the committee.** Clarification that the Committee is elected via a proposed-seconded process at the AGM. We make decisions informed by our experiences and communication with others. Where relevant we hold open meetings or events e.g. as with Ffynnon Fair work, in order to involve any who wish to help.

Communication (on and offline) is key for involving all those who live in the community as well as second home ownders, former residents, visitors etc. Newsletter, website and social media updates are important.

**2.5 Over 60s Christmas Dinner.** We discussed raising the age but decided to keep it at 60; we would like younger people to attend.

**3. Correspondence  
3.1** Email from the new owners/trustees of the beachfront car park in response to Ben Lake. They are going to put in a new machine with card and contactless options (as well as cash and app payments). They are still concerned about vandalism and would like to collaborate on a sign to this effect.

**4. AOB   
4.1** CCC will not award a **Byway Open to All Traffic** or footpaths across the beachfront car park. Pushing for a footpath would only mean it would be diverted along the public pavement by the railings.

**4.2** **Gerry Beatty,** longtime Bro Crannog resident, died in her sleep a couple of weeks ago.

**4.3** The old **boatyard tractor** remains in the free car park field.

**4.4** Removal of **barriers** from road below Canolfan Crannog – ask CC.

**4.5** Handrails to **Cilborth** beach not been fixed properly. Some pieces have been totally left. Ask at CC. Contact Council with photos by next meeting.

*Meeting ended 21:12  
Next meeting 10 November 7.30pm in the Pentre.*