**Minutes of the Meeting of the**

**Pwyllgor Lles Llangrannog Welfare Committee**

**21 September 2023**

1. **Present**: Kat Dawes, Adrian Brice, Cynyr Ifan, Paul Dawes, Clive Bullock, Gail Robinson, Gari Pwyll, Jez & Tracey Rix.

**2. Apologies:** Helena Boyesen.

**3. Agenda Items**

**3.1** **Canolfan Crannog – chapel, vestry and house.** Transfer of trusteeship to the Welfare has been proposed by the current trustees. The current board has only two trustees who are now unable able to do anything with the site.

We would have limited liability if we take the site on via our current setup; we need to confirm this with our own solicitors. We also need to know how we would deal with things such as the landslip, and how to pay for solicitors’ fees. Updated surveys would be required.

Cwmpas has been mentioned as an option. What is their payoff? What do they expect from a committee? They have access to grants, the Welsh Indep Chapel Association etc. and they have a lot of contacts within such organisations. Set up a meeting with Cwmpas for the Welfare, then open to the community in general. On site would be best. 22 October which gives us time to have another meeting to give our questions. **All** to send questions they would like answered in a meeting.

What is the current value of the site? Could we just give it back to the Welsh Independents – would they then simply sell it?

We have to decide who takes it on – the Welfare or a sub-committee. Involvment of Cwmpas and others, as well as local residents who are enthusiastic about the project.

If the Welsh Independents so wish, they can take the site back because it has not been used as designated (i.e. for community benefit). There is also a clause which gives them £150k and 50% of the profit if it was to be sold or otherwise developed.

There is a range of opinions about this. One is that a project like this is exactly what the Welfare Committee is for, and the type of thing we have done historically (getting electricity into the village, steps to Cilborth etc.). But it is clear we need help with a project this size, and it cannot be done with volunteer work alone.

We need a clear plan with clear options available so people/the Committee can back this. Currently there is no consensus.

The longer nothing happens, the more difficult the building/s will become to rescue.

Collate previous plans.

**3.2** **Banking**. Deposit account for the 10k Lime Kiln preservation money. We have to change banks to NatWest to be able to invest this money. No bank charges. We would have all the accounts in the same place. Only downside is that the most local branch is Carmarthen. All were in favour of changing.

**4. Minutes of the previous meeting**

**4.1 (3.1) Surf Club and Youth Forum** Summer social postponed due to poor weather. Meeting to be arranged soon.

**4.2 (3.2) Community Transport Group** The finances weren’t as good as last year but there was a profit. 3-4k less passengers; weather-related this year. (Total around 9k passengers.) Good job done.

Bus is available for community use.

Thank you email to the drivers/organisers of the Transport Group. We should think of a way to thank them (Pentre voucher?).

**4.3 (3.3) Statue Insurance** Cranogwen has been insured on our current policy for an extra £130.

**4.4. (3.4)** **Risk assessments.** Pick up in November.

**4.5 (3.5)** **Bell**. Ongoing.

**4.6 (3.7)** **Village Garden.** What to do with the old railings – they are heavy and need to be moved. Water is still sitting on part of the paving – the sets are ready but the weather has restricted work.

**4.7 (3.8)** **Second home owners newsletter**. Ongoing.

**4.8 (3.9)** **Electric vehicle** charging points. Aberaeon – appearing in council car parks. Could we suggest top car park?

**4.9 (3.10)** **Beachfront** **Car park**. Parking Code of Conduct via Ben Lake. All please send a reply by 8 October <https://www.gov.uk/government/calls-for-evidence/private-parking-code-of-practice-call-for-evidence>

**4.10 (3.11)** **Electricity plan.** Revisit after Canolfan Crannog work.

**4.11 (3.12)** **Cranogwen statue ownership**. All sorted. We could look at products to help raise money.

**4.12 (4.1)** **Car park right of way**. Details have been sent to the Community Council and Ben Lake. Nothing more we can do.

**4.13 (4.2)** Tidy **Ukraine flag** and add a Welsh one when we can. Ongoing.

**4.14 (4.3) Disabled parking spaces.** We have asked for another one. Will be taken to Community Council as well.

**4.15 (5.1)** **Bins**. Bins on the pavement severely restrict disabled access. Create plan to submit to the Council. Revisit in spring.

**4.16 (5.3) Sea Defences.** Gareth Lloyd is arranging a meeting to do with sea defences in the village in autumn. We shall make sure all groups are invited e.g. Boat Club, businesses, Community Council etc. etc. Can we help. Can we create a plan for what we would like/opinions. **A**sk when meeting will be.

**5 AOB
5.1** Xmas dinner discussion – next meeting.

**5.2** Village Christmas Fair in the Pentre 2 December 12-3

**5.3** Pob – invitation to join Committee.

*Meeting ended 8:52pm
Next meeting 12 October 7:30pm Pentre Arms*