

# Llanelidan COMMUNITY COUNCIL CYNGOR CYMUNED

## Minutes of the Llanelidan CC Extraordinary Council Meeting held electronically (due to the Coronavirus Pandemic) 4 October 2021

**Present:** Cllrs David Roberts, David Edwards (Vice Chair), Neil Gallagher, Hugh Evans, Iwan Roberts and Sarah Merlin.

In attendance was the Clerk & RFO Sian E Thomas and 1 member of the public.

### Meeting commenced at 7:45 pm

The Chair welcomed all Members to the electronic meeting.

**212 Apologies:** None received

**213 Declarations of Interest:**

The Chair asked for any Declaration of Interests, Councillors Merlin and Roberts are tenants of Nantclwyd Estate, Councillors Edwards and Gallagher sometimes beat for the shoot and Councillor Evans has a personal interest in the matter.

**214 Common Land in Llanelidan.** The Chair stated that he wasn't at the last meeting and neither was Councillor Evans. Due to the Covid pandemic nothing has progressed regarding this matter so this extraordinary meeting was convened to start to rectify the situation.

An in-depth discussion ensued covering the topics of the cost of transferring the land, whether the Estate still wants to carry on with the transfer and the question of birds falling onto the Common Land during a shoot.

It was indicated that there would be very little cost to transfer the land, mainly land registration costs and also minor solicitors' work. The biggest possible pitfall is the difference in size between the 2 parcels of land as the Land Registry usually require swaps between land parcels of a similar size in order that the total area of common land nationally is not diminished.

It was noted that Pen Bryn Common should be registered with the Land Registry in the Community Council's name to establish the absolute ownership.

Some discussion took place regarding the spending of public money on the land swap, but as the public consultation had concluded that villagers would welcome the swap then this would be justified, especially as it was thought to be minimal.

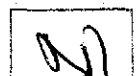
It was agreed by Councillors that it would be much better to have a usable piece of land in the centre of the village rather than a piece of land half a mile away from the village that was rarely used. This had been reiterated by the villagers when a public consultation had been carried out. However, the whole process of swapping the land could only take place if the Estate was still keen to carry on with the swap.

The member of the public present added that the shoot has built a new pen to replace the one on the common.

The question was raised of whether King George's field could be used instead of land in the centre of the village. Apparently, this is protected land but can be used for outdoor sports and recreational activity.

Councillor Evans reiterated that the outcome of the consultation with the community was that they want land in the centre of village.

Chair's  
initials



**Action:** Clerk to write to the Estate asking whether they want to proceed with the land swap and to include a statement of what is required if they do wish to.

As regards the matter of shot pheasants falling onto the Village Green during a shoot, it was decided to erect a sign stating what can and cannot be done on the Village Green. **Action:** A sign to be erected stating "Village Green" once Councillors Edwards and Gallagher have investigated the appropriate wording.

**215 Next Meeting:**  
The next meeting of the Council will be on October 21 2021.

**Meeting closed at 8:50 pm**

Approved as being a correct record by:

Designation: CHAIR

Date: 22-10-2021

Signed: [Signature]