LLANDOUGH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE HELD REMOTELY ON WEDNESDAY 19 JUNE 2024 AT 7.00pm.

PRESENT

Councillor Dr M. Misra (Chair)
Councillor B. Augustian
Councillor Mrs P. Carreyett
Councillor M. Edwards
Councillor Mrs S. Jefferies
Councillor P. King
Councillor D. Mears
Councillor M. Stanyard-Jones

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor C. Gibson

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

There were none declared.

2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 7 FEBRUARY 2024.

RESOLVED that: Subject to the following amendment, the minutes of the meeting be confirmed as a correct record:

Minute 15(a) – The resolution be amended to read: 'The matter be referred to Councillor Carroll with a suggestion that the white lines be supplemented with doubly yellow lines to facilitate effective traffic enforcement.'

3. MATTER ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.

There were no matters raised.

4. ARRANGEMENTS FOR LITTER PICKS IN 2024.

RESOLVED that:

- a) The litter pick planned for 22 June be postponed until 6 July 2024.
- b) The Clerk to prepare a social media posting advising residents of the postponement.
- c) The planned litter pick on 21 September 2024 be confirmed.

d) The Clerk to design a standard poster for future litter picks that could be used for social media postings.

5. DATE OF NEXT SITE INSPECTION.

RESOLVED that: The next site inspection be held on 26 July 2024 commencing at 9.30am.

6. LITTER AND DOG FOULING POSTER COMPETITION IN THE SCHOOL.

Councillor Stanyard-Jones understood that the school had prepared a poster which he would obtain and forward to the Clerk.

RESOLVED that: The Clerk to request permission from the Vale of Glamorgan Council for the poster to be displayed on street light posts in the community.

7. PROPOSED BAT WALK.

Councillor Dr Misra had made contact with a local expert on bats and would be meeting with him on 28 June to view possible locations for the walk such as the Corbett Road allotments and land adjacent to the school. Possible dates for the bat walk would be 10/11 October. It was suggested that a bat survey be undertaken in conjunction with the school and Councillor Dr Misra would raise this possibility at the meeting.

RESOLVED that: Councillor Dr Misra to report to the July Council meeting with proposals for the bat walk and possible survey.

8. ONE VOICE WALES AREA COMMITTEE - 22 APRIL 2024.

A report of the meeting prepared by Councillor Dr M. Misra had been circulated with the agenda for consideration. The focal point for discussion related to arrangements for community transport and specifically the report referred to the following areas for consideration:

- Could we arrange for a bus trip from Llandough to somewhere in the Vale for elderly people?
- o Ask the Community Transport Association (CTA) what they can do for us
- o Does Llandough Hospital offer cars etc. for use by the community?
- Can we develop our own Community Transport ask volunteer drivers to drive own cars to take people out rather than the minibus? Will have to check:
 - Insurance (ask their own insurance company if they are covered)
 - Could we offer or get a grant to assist in milage etc. (ask the CTA to investigate and ask Vale Council if there is money set aside

from its Transport budget – previously 10% of the budget was supposed to be used for community transport links)

In the discussion that took place, it was the view of the Committee that possible actions could include:

- a) An item in the community newsletter to assess whether there was demand for these type of community transport services.
- b) The possibility of the Council making a charge for such services would need to be ascertained. It was noted that the Council had supported a community transport scheme in conjunction with EVCT for many years with the operating model being based on the Council funding the use of the minibus, EVCT organising the screening of the volunteer driver and insurance arrangements and small donations being taken by passengers by the Council to part fund the vehicle hire costs. At present the scheme was on hold as it had not been possible to recruit a volunteer driver.

RESOLVED that:

- a) The Clerk to make enquiries with the appropriate official in the Vale Council to establish whether any support was available in relation to the types of provision highlighted by the Community Transport Association as detailed above.
- b) The Clerk to enquire as to whether the Council's insurance cover would cover these transport arrangements and whether passengers could be charged for the service.

9. ARRANGEMENT OF MONTHLY COFFEE MORNINGS.

It was noted that Councillor Dr Misra would be arranging a quiz for the coffee morning on 21 June 2024. Councillors were invited to advise the Clerk of suggested speakers that could be invited to attend future coffee mornings. One possibility would be to invite the local PCSO to attend a future coffee morning. Another possibility would be to invite the Hospital Manager to speak about planned developments at Llandough Hospital.

10. CONDITION OF THE VILLAGE.

a) It was noted that on recent occasions the Vale Council refuse collection team had emptied public litter bins into black bags and left them on the pavement for collection by the refuse collection lorry. Many of them contained food products and were being targeted by seagulls or vermin which left litter strewn in the street.

RESOLVED that: The Clerk write to the relevant Vale Council official to request more timely collection of refuse bags.

b) The entrance to the hospital that was previously used for construction traffic had been cordoned off and the area had become a local eyesore which required urgent attention.

RESOLVED that: The Clerk write to the Chief Executive of the UHB requesting urgent action to address this environmentally unacceptable situation.