**LLANDOUGH COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE HELD REMOTELY ON WEDNESDAY 5 FEBRUARY 2025 AT 7.00pm.**

**PRESENT**

Councillor Dr M. Misra (Chair)

Councillor B. Augustian

Councillor Mrs P. Carreyett

Councillor Mrs L. Barrowclough

Councillor Mrs S. Jefferies

Councillor P. King

Councillor T. Llewelyn

Councillor D. Mears

Councillor M. Stanyard-Jones

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Councillor C. Gibson

1. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

There were none declared.

1. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 19 JUNE 2024.**

**RESOLVED** that: The minutes of the meeting be confirmed as a correct record:

1. **MATTER ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.**

Minute 2 (15a) – Concern was expressed about the need for the white lines at the junction of Llandough Hill and Penlan Road to be supplemented with double yellow lines to facilitate effective traffic enforcement.

**RESOLVED** that: The Clerk to request Councillor Carroll to further pursue this matter.

Minute 6 – The Clerk reported that the vinyl coated posters had been received and it was necessary to agree on the timing and responsibility for them to be affixed to street lighting columns in the community.

**RESOLVED** that:

1. The posters be affixed to street lighting columns in April 2025.
2. The Clerk to circulate a schedule of Councillor responsibilities for the allocation of the work.

Minute 10 – It was noted that the Hospital Trust had cleared overgrowth from the temporary entrance to the hospital but from an environmental perspective there was a need for a substantial improvement of its appearance.

**RESOLVED** that: The Hospital Trust be thanked for clearing the overgrowth but they be requested to significantly improve the environment appearance of the temporary entrance.

1. **PLAQUE IN MEMORY OF THE LATE COUNCILLOR MICHAEL EDWARDS.**

A proposal for the plaque and its location on the village green had been prepared by Councillor Dr Misra for consideration. In discussion there was an alternative proposal for the wording and size of the plaque that was considered.

**RESOLVED** that:

1. The suggested re-wording suggested by Councillor King be approved.
2. The size of the plaque to be 200mm x 150mm.
3. The plaque to be affixed to the millennium stone located on the village green.
4. The Clerk to obtain alternative quotations for the supply of the plaque to enable the plaque to be ordered and arrangements made for it to be affixed to the millennium stone.
5. **COMMUNITY TRANSPORT SCHEME.**

The Clerk reported that East Vale Community Transport had advised that they had recruited some new volunteer drivers and might now be in a position to enter into partnership with the Council to re-commence the scheme. The Clerk would be discussing the matter further with the coordinator next week.

**RESOLVED** that: The position be noted.

1. **ARRANGEMENTS FOR LITTER PICKS IN 2025.**

It was noted that litter picks were planned for 8 March, 14 June and 20 September.

**RESOLVED** that: The Clerk to advertise the litter picks on social media, the Council’s website and noticeboards.

1. **REPORT OF RECENT INSPECTION AND DATE OF NEXT SITE INSPECTION.**

The Clerk reported that it had been found at the recent inspection that the small area of block paving in Brook Green was in need of being re-laid to remove potential tripping hazards. He advised that it would be better to address this matter as part of the consideration of structural matters relating to the footbridge that would be considered at the next Council meeting.

**RESOLVED** that:

1. The matter of the raised block paving be considered at the next Council meeting when the recent structural survey of the footbridge is considered.
2. The next site inspection be held on 2 May 2025 commencing at 9.30am.
3. **FUTURE OF COFFEE MORNINGS.**

Consideration was given to the future of coffee mornings from April 2025 onwards. In the discussion that took place, it was considered that, when possible, the coffee mornings should be held on the third Friday morning of each month with dates being published in advance and provided to the regular attendees. Where possible a speaker should be engaged for each coffee morning and it was suggested that the Fire and Rescue Service should be approached as well as a session on emergency first aid. The Clerk had contacted Llais to speak at the February coffee morning and a response was awaited.

**RESOLVED** that:

1. The Clerk to book the hall on the third Friday of each month and provide a schedule of dates for inclusion in the next newsletter and for issue to regular attendees at the February coffee morning.
2. The Clerk to contact the Fire and Rescue Service for a speaker and to ascertain the possibility of a session on emergency first aid being included in the programme.
3. **CONTENT OF COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER.**

**RESOLVED** that: The following items be included in the Newsletter:

* Loan of Blood Pressure Monitors
* Selection of appropriate items from the recent VCS newsletter
* Litter Picks
* Village Fete
* Introduction to Cllr T. Llewelyn
* VE Day commemoration
* Coffee Mornings
* Recent fine for dog fouling and regular enforcement inspections
* Merrie Harrier coffee mornings
* Community Transport scheme
* Hall Hire
* Link to website for litter posters
* Listing of regular activities in hall
* Update on Lewis Road allotments including explanation of delays due to planning permission requirement.

1. **CONDITION OF THE VILLAGE.**
2. It was noted that the Vale Council had at the request of the community council cleared up the scrub land at the top of Llandough Hill. It was noted that they had agreed to bulb planting at this location. It was suggested that in order to maintain the area on an ongoing basis, it might be beneficial for the Council’s grounds contractor to quote for this work.

**RESOLVED** that: The Clerk to arrange for a quotation to be obtained from the Council’s grounds contractor.

1. It was reported that there was a significant amount of overgrowth by the junction of Llandough Hill and Penarth Road that was impacting on highway safety.

**RESOLVED** that: Councillor Dr Misra to take photographs and supply them to the Clerk who would request Councillor Carroll to raise with Vale Council officials.