



MINUTES FROM LBSA FEBRUARY 2019 MEETING

Held at Llangennech Rugby Club on Thursday 7th February at 645pm.

MUGA quote

- Quotes have been received from Alumasc for the MUGA at the site of the tennis court.
- Quote 1 involved a new fence and surface for the existing tennis court. This came in at £111,000.
- Quote 2 for a multisport hardcourt surface in the red and blue area came in at £155,000.
- Quote 3 for a multisport hardcourt surface in the yellow area came in at £62,000.
- Agreed that EW will follow up with Alumasc for the total quote for all three projects if developed simultaneously.
- EW to also seek two additional quotes for the same work i.e. a new fence and surface for the court, a safe play area in the yellow and red highlighted areas and a running track in the blue area.



Dogpark

- Survey received for work at the site quotes £14,500 ex VAT for the work. This would include treating Japanese knotweed, cutting back the hedge, cleaning ditches, 150 tons of sandy soil, surface seed, aeration and grass seed. Mobile floodlights are not included but are approximately £5000 each, with four needed to light an area of this size.
- Grants Officers have seen and discussed the survey. FAW officer called to raise 2 points they'd like further clarity on:

a) enquired whether the Cricket Club object to works to narrow the hedgerow, as suggested in the surveyor report.

b) enquired whether the LBSA have a good relationship with Llangennech School. It was explained that the LBSA has sent a letter of invitation for the school to become an affiliate but has received no response. It was also mentioned that the rugby club have an exclusive usage agreement, but EW couldn't elaborate on the details.

They confirmed the WRU Grants Officer would further research the matter. We have a feeling that the Grants Officers are exploring all avenues prior to committing to advising we apply for funding for the new facility. They too have a limited pot; it is in their interest to invest as best as possible.

MW will ask Clark Hartnell for a usage analysis of pitches by Llan Rugby. He will send the football example. This can be used to show evidence of need for more pitches as well as evidencing a starting point before any LBSA projects are developed, and can then highlight evidence of improvement.

The Crowdfunding page has raised £275 so far, which is 54% of the way towards reaching our first target of £507 to cover the cost of the survey. If everyone could please continue to share the link and appeal for support, however small - it all helps.

3 small grant applications

- Dwr Cymru - (1k) They responded to say to reapply in future when we are "set up", so to avoid further confusion, we shall await CIO confirmation (due April).
- Persimmon - Monthly award of £1k. December application unsuccessful, we reapplied earlier this week.
- CFIW - (1k) deadline was 31/01/2019 (only 2 per year). Awaiting news.

EW will also look into Community Chest funding.

Other financial avenues we have lined up for exploring:

- Landfill Communities Scheme (5-50k)
- Coalfields Regeneration (7k)
- Millenium Stadium Trust (2.5k)
- Welsh Gov Community Facilities Programme (5-25k or 25-250k)
- Big Lottery Fund (100-500k)
- People's Post Code (2k)

Many of the above want to see 6 months of Bank statements, applications ask for evidence of self funding etc. So we are tied up until we get some cash flow.

Cae Pownd

Llangennech and Bryn Community Council have asked for more detail before arranging a meeting regarding this project. A more detailed proposal has been sent and a slot at the meeting requested. PW, DP and MW will attend Monday's meeting.

EW to approach companies for quotes for moving the path.

Zoe James of Carmarthenshire County Council Planning Office has been contacted regarding planning permission. It is not thought planning permission would be needed for moving the path alone. We await her reply.

Fundraising Launch Event

A Start Up celebration at Llangennech Rugby Club to take place on either Saturday 4th or 18th May. Dates have been provisionally booked with HG. It was agreed that Live Music entertainment would be best to suit all tastes. Open to discussion about ideas regarding further fillers. Fancy Dress was suggested as a possibility (May 4th - Star Wars Themed!?)

All your ideas are welcome; this is the fun bit we've all been looking forward to! Please feel free to contribute your thoughts!

The aim of this initial event is to raise awareness of the LBSA while getting some raffle money in and creating a buzz within the community. Not necessarily something we are aiming to make a huge profit on initially - it would be nice recover some of the outstanding costs though i.e. surveyor bill, website.

EW looking for a sponsor for the Association website.

Social Media

Dan Price will now run a Facebook page and set up a Twitter account this week. He is planning a competition to boost followers and will approach The Bridge for a prize.

Summary of Actions:

Member	Action
Emyr Williams	Contact Alumasc for a "total" quote of 3 options & get a further 2 like-for-like contractor quotes for MUGA
	To explore Sport Wales Community Chest Funding (£1.5k)
	Seek estimates for moving Tarmac path
	Seek Website Sponsor
Phil Willock, Martin Williams & Dan Price	To attend Community Council Meeting 11th Feb
EW & Helen George + anyone else who wants to get involved!	Seek Live band & plan strategy for event (150 tix)
Martin Williams & Clark Hartnell	To discuss source of info for a usage analysis report of pitches by Rugby club
Dan Price	Set up & manage the Social Media accounts
Welsh Speaking & Proficient Writer - Volunteer required	To aid Dan in translation of social media posts when they get a bit complicated!