

Meeting held on the 20 November 2018

PRESENT Clrs Evans-Morgan,Phillips,Evans, Keates, R Morgan, Davies, Bentley,Rippin,T Morgan, Woodier and Cty Clr Jones. 2 members of the public were also present. Clr R Morgan chaired the meeting.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Clr James

COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

1. Mrs Sarah Wixey confirmed the choice of a storage shed for the local primary school. It was of reinforced plastic with a ten-year guarantee measuring 20' x 8 '. The cost would be £1449 inc. delivery + VAT. She was also waiting for 3 quotes for a concrete base for the shed which would be presented to the Council as soon as possible. The location of the shed/base had been confirmed with Mr Murphy, Head Teacher at the School.

Re the backboards for the basket ball station, Mrs Wixey confirmed that she would like the Council to order some plastic sheeting to replace the existing rotten marine ply boards at a cost of £131.99 (inc. VAT). The existing boards would be used as a template for cutting 2 new boards from the 8' x 4' plastic sheet. She was awaiting 3 quotes to erect and paint the boards and surrounding supports. Information had also been received re the details of a local mole catcher. Councillors thanked Mrs Wixey for her efforts to improve the pupils' and community's facilities on the School premises.

2. Mrs Andrea Jackman presented the Crucorney Environmental Group's latest report. She informed councillors about the Woodland Group's activities (firewood , new season tree felling and A Family Foray for Fungi). There was also news about litter picking including liaison with MCC re prevention rather than cure and tips on a 'plastic free Xmas'. Craft courses would resume in March 2019 and a Xmas kiln burn would be held in Court Wood on the 9 December. Shew also confirmed liaison between CCC, CEG and the Landmark Trust re suggested 'walks' in the area. Councillors thanked Mrs Jackman for her presentation.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Current A/C = £400 Reserve A/C £9509.29 (both as at 5 November 2018)

Both cheques mentioned in the Financial Report for October (£1250 and £26.50) had now been cashed. Since the last meeting , cheques for £23.00 (MCC: Bar Licence change at the Hall) and £120.00 (Merlin Waste) had also been issued.

It was hoped that the items mentioned by Mrs Wixey above re Llanvihangel Crucorney Primary School would be installed as soon as possible. As can be seen from the report on balances above, finances were in place to fund this phase of the improvement to sports facilities at the School.

The **MINUTES** of the previous meeting were agreed as a true and accurate record.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

1. There had been no progress re the new lease being prepared by Star Legal.
2. French boules area. No progress.

3. Stump carving in the children's play area. Mr Petts had made no progress with the carving.
4. On behalf of CCC, the Clerk had informed MCC Highways that the proposal for double yellow lines should proceed. Cty Clr Jones had also given his support to the proposals here.
5. Unhelpful parking in Llanvihangel Crucorney. The signs would be installed at an appropriate time by Clr Evans.
6. Road reflectors at Crossways. Action had allegedly been taken by SWTRA.
7. Missing post box at Fforest Coalpit. No progress.
8. Pricing research re the wooden chairs at Pandy Hall. Clr Bentley reported that it was proposed to divide the chairs into 4/5 lots of 3 to 4 chairs each and ask for bids. Councillors felt that a reserve of some kind should be put on each lot.
9. Re new tables for the Hall, Clr Bentley reported that some suitable hall furniture had been viewed at Ebbw Vale. The purchase of new tables would be effected soon.
10. Road repairs between the Stanton and the Old Station. No news.
11. Defibrillator Training had been arranged with Welsh Hearts for the 10 December at 7 p.m. at Pandy Hall. Publicity would be on Facebook, the Council's website and notices around the area.
12. It was reported that MCC had banned the use of Chinese lanterns at public events but was powerless to stop people using them on private land.
13. Junction at the Rising Sun. Has been reported.
14. The Xmas meal had been arranged for the 7 December at 7 p.m. at the Cripple Creek.
15. It had been confirmed that 106 monies would be paid on occupation of any relevant property.
16. The hedge along the Sun Pitch had now been cut.
17. The fence at the top of the top of the Sun Pitch still needed to be repaired/replaced.
18. Clr Keates reported some details of the projected costs of the car park proposed for Cwmyoy Hall. Councillors felt that more precise details were needed if any financial assistance were to be considered by CCC.
19. The Remembrance Day Service at St Michael's Church had been attended by 6 Councillors and the Clerk.

REPORTS

1. Cwmyoy Hall. The last film shown was the *Lady Bird*. The next film would be *The Bookshop* on the 28 November. An evening of light entertainment would be staged instead of a film in December. Recent fundraising events, Makers at the Hall, the Xmas Card and Gift Sale and a

Quiz had raised £2745, £200 and £145 respectively for the new car park. Full results of the Hedging and Walling Competition would be published soon. A successful Llanthony Show Dinner Dance had been held at the Hog's Head on the 10 November. Pantomime rehearsals were under way for show dates in February.

2. Pandy Hall. Chair auction and renewal of furniture reported as above. A pantomime would be held on the 14 December. The HMC expressed its thanks to CEG for organising and paying for the cleaning of the solar panels. Clr Bentley agreed to research the possibility of providing Wi-Fi at the Hall and to report back to HMC.
3. Crucorney Environmental Group. Report as above under COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.
4. Primary School. The new Head Teacher, Mr J Murphy and his Deputy Head Mr Richard Aylett introduced themselves and reported briefly on the progress made re the School Federation procedure.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

1. MCC DM/2018/01740 Pre-Application Enquiry for Great Llwygy Farm detached dwelling. Clerk to enquire why the Pre-application enquiry had been processed by MCC and not BBNP.

PLANNING DECISIONS

1. BBNP D18/16111/FUL Daren Ganol. Approved by BBNP. Noted.

PLANNING UPDATES/ISSUES

1. Pen y Dre Development. Letter from MCC re proposed name of the development as Cae Park. No objections from CCC.
2. Request for support from CCC for the proposed Pen y Cae project. The Clerk summarised an email from Mr Ian Mabberley outlining the proposed project to renovate Pen y Cae, a former shepherd's cottage and school outdoor centre. After some discussion, councillors asked the Clerk to send a letter of support to Mr Mabberley.

OBITUARIES

Mr Maurice North, Cwmyoy.

CORRESPONDENCE

Emails sent to councillors: Great War soldiers honoured in Abergavenny; Planning 18/16694, Old Vicarage; Weekly Register (22/10); Planning DM/2018/01740 - Great Llwygy; Rights of Way Questionnaire; MCC and Chinese Lanterns; OVW meeting; OVW Bulletin; MCC Well Being; Sarah Payne and Power-assisted exercise.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

1. The planning application for a mast at Capel y Ffin had now been withdrawn although it had been reported that a new application was in the offing. It had also been reported that the mast on land at Maes y Beran was being renovated.
2. Drainage near the Church at Upper Cwmyoy. It was suggested that MCC's on-site trailer vactor now at Llanelli Hill could be used at Cwmyoy Church to assist in the drainage. It was reported that MCC seemed to have a purely reactive policy to gulley cleaning and it seemed advisable for residents to complain as loudly as possible to MCC to obtain gulley clearing.
3. It was suggested that the CSO for the area - Amanda Yung be contacted with a view to her attending a future meeting. Liaison with CEG was proposed re this invitation.
4. Crash at Crossways. Mr Brian Stone had reported once again his grave concerns about this stretch of road at Crossways to David Davies, M.P., Nick Ramsey, A.M., Cty Clr D Jones and Clr T Morgan. Cty Clr Jones was writing once again to SWTRA to ask for signage improvement at the very least here.
5. Clr Phillips reported on the Pen y Parc break-in during which horses were injured and the theft of diesel from David Llewellyn's property.
6. Clr Rippin reported damage to the road just below Cwmyoy Hall. To be added to Clr Keates' list.

The meeting closed at 9.10 p.m.

Date of next meeting : 18 December 2018