

Minutes of the Virtual Meeting held on the 21 December 2021

PRESENT Clrs Davies, R Morgan, T Morgan, Evans, R Morgan-Evans, Phillips, Rippin, Cty Clr David Jones.

APOLOGIES Clrs Catley, Bentley and Woodier

COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC None

FINANCIAL REPORT

Current A/c: £400 RESERVE A/c: £18,116.68 Both as at 6 December 2021

Income was still to come from the 3rd precept payment for 2021-22 and an estimated VAT repayment, in total £7,925. Set against that would be payments of £7650 (clerk's salary for the year, second payment to Pandy HMC, unrepresented cheque for tree lopping, further payments to Merlin Waste, payment to Cwmyoy Hall MC plus a possible estimated cost of £1400 for a defibrillator and cabinet if CCC's application for a free defibrillator from the Welsh Government was unsuccessful.)

With the above figures in mind and after a short discussion, councillors agreed the draft budget proposals for 2022-23 which had been presented to councillors before the meeting. This year's budget proposals (copy on file for auditing purposes) included provision for the legally required bunded heating oil storage tank and relevant works at Pandy Hall, remedial work in the bar area at the Hall, more sustainable Hall lighting and an upgrading of tracking for the stage curtains at the Hall as well as maintenance costs of the play area. Furthermore, provision had also been made for the possible costs of elections in May 2022.

There was still no information re Wales Audit's failure to meet its own deadlines for issuing an opinion on the 2020-2021 accounts. The Clerk had made enquiries of other community councils and they had not heard either.

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

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

1. Road at Dan y Bwlch (Groes Lwyd Road). No further news.
2. Closure of road at Capel y Ffynn. Councillors were informed of the latest developments and agreed to re-distribute an official letter from MCC re works to be started in the New Year as requested. The official letter would be posted on CCC's website, Facebook Page and sent out on the What's On Crucorney information communication. Clr R Morgan-Evans agreed to share it with the Llanvihangel Crucorney News Facebook page.
3. There was no further information re the new deal with Merlin Waste with regard to dog-waste removal.
4. Re road safety on the A465 through Pandy, County Councillor David Jones had sent a letter to the Police Commissioner re a road safety incident reported to him by a local resident which involved a road sign falling from the back of a truck. He had received no reply and there was no official information available either re general progress with MCC/SWTRA and Peter Fox AM and general road safety issues on the A465 through Pandy. It had been noted, however that a speed monitoring exercise had been carried out recently by the police.

5. Councillors had decided to emphasise that CCC was not affiliated to the Llanvihangel Crucorney News page on Facebook because of recent abusive language and excessive advertising on the page. The Council had its own Facebook page and website.
6. CCC had received an acknowledgement of its application for a free defibrillator from the Welsh Government.
7. The tree lopping work in the Hall car park had been completed competently and successfully.
8. Pandy HMC had received a welcome payment from the solar panels scheme recently. Clr Evans suggested that the panels were now due for a clean. He agreed to get details of firms willing to do this.
9. Slippage of road surface between Cwmyoy Hall and the Queen's. No progress.
10. Blocked drains at Trehonddu. After a further request to MCC, the work now seemed to have been carried out.
11. Proposed Chapel at Trewyn. Clr T Morgan's letter of support had been endorsed by CCC and had been sent to the applicant to help her in her negotiations with BBNP.
12. Councillors thanked Clr Evans who had now re-installed the swings in the play area.

REPORTS

1. Pandy HMC. As above.
2. CEG. There had been some confusion among the new administrators re CEG's and CCC's involvement with the online Crucorney Portal. Clr Rippin was helping to clarify matters. CEG was continuing with charcoal making, firewood and litter picking.
3. Primary School. There would be a safeguarding meeting in January.
4. Police Report. No report
5. Cwmyoy Hall. No report.

PLANNING DECISIONS

1. BBNP TPO 50, 2021: Orchard at Llanvihangel Court. Permission granted. Councillors commented again on the poor way in which the matter had been auctioned by BBNP
2. BBNP 21/20032/FUL Ty Glandwr, Llanvihangel Crucorney. Permission granted by BBNP.

OBITUARIES

Andrew James, Pandy, former County and Community Councillor, Charlie Porter, Pandy and Fred Long, Cefn Campston.

CORRESPONDENCE

There were no queries from councillors re correspondence emailed to them.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

1. Clr Rippin would report the overgrown pathway at the southern end of Llanvihangel Crucorney to MCC.
2. It was reported that MCC was to receive a larger allocation of funds from the Welsh Government for the coming year.

The meeting ended at 20.30 Date of next meeting: 18 January 2022