

Minutes of the Virtual Meeting held on the 21 September 2021

**PRESENT** Clrs R Morgan, Davies, T Morgan, R Morgan-Evans, Catley, Woodier and Cty Clr David Jones

**APOLOGIES** Clrs Rippin and Bentley

**COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC** None

### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Current A/C:£400 Reserve A/C: £15,844.69 Both as at 6 September 2021.

Unpresented cheques (Lino from Harrhys Carpets and a small bill for Robert Price, Builders) totalled £589.04. There were also 2 card transactions not included in the last statements of £43.20 (new defibrillator pads) and £21.60 (new play area steps from Active Gardens).

The VAT repayment from HMRC had still not arrived and a reminder letter had been sent to them to try and clarify the situation.

The 2 fridges and mini bar freezer had been bought and new lino fitted in the kitchen.

The faulty heaters above the main doors had been removed and the pipes capped.

Pandy Hall had now re-opened and a few bookings had been made. The Chair and Clerk had attended a recent meeting of the Hall Management Committee and developments had been brought up to date. During the meeting , it was brought to the attention of those present that the cross-bar of the swings for the older children in the play area looked unsafe. After inspection, the swings had been removed by Clr Evans and a replacement cross-bar would be obtained.

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

### **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

1. Re the road alongside Dan y Bwlch. Cty Clr Jane Pratt had at last replied to Cty Clr Jones and had questioned whether the road had been

declassified or not. Community Councillors were of the opinion that it had not been declassified and the Clerk would try to clarify the situation especially as a further planning application had been received on behalf of Dan y Bwlch Farm (See under Planning later in the Minutes.)

2. Road at Capel y Ffynn. No further news.
3. A further response to Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water was discussed and Clr Woodier agreed to provide a suitably worded reply to the latest email from DC/WW.
4. CCC had now received an official response from MCC Elections insofar as an election did not have to be called re the seat at Lower Cwmyoy. CCC would, however, now have to advertise a co-option process to appoint a co-opted councillor. It was agreed that the co-option process be advertised on the CCC Website, the CCC Facebook Page, the Llanvihangel News Facebook Page and on What's On Crucorney. Notices would also be placed at the Skirrid Garage, Pandy Village Hall Notice Board and Cwmyoy Hall Notice Board. The 12 October was decided as the closing date for any applications.
5. Parking on double-yellow lines in Llanvihangel Crucorney was happening with more frequency. It was decided to contact the local Community Officer to see if some action could be taken.
6. The new owners of Twr Mihangel had given permission for polite notices requesting no parking on the pavement outside to be placed on their garden wall.
7. MCC had had discussions with Merlin Waste to negotiate a county-wide contract with the company. CCC awaited further updates but in the meantime would be paying a rate of £6.75 to empty each bin. The first bill at this rate would be paid this month (September).
8. The Clerk had contacted BBNP re the state of play with regard to the 106 payments due to the community council. CCC was informed that there would be a reply within 21 days!
9. Mr Keith Powell would be re-invited to attend CCC's October meeting.
10. MCC had inspected the road between Pandy Hall and the School and had reported that the road surface was sound.
11. In support of Cty Clr Jones' email to MCC Highways re the southern entrance to Llanvihangel Crucorney, the Chair had sent in photos of the

junction showing the patched state of the road with little or no road markings and one or two poorly placed signs which had led to a few near vehicle encounters of the fatal kind in recent months. No acknowledgement had been received.

12. The stress that 'jump fit' sessions had on suspended timber floors had not been investigated as no sessions of this kind had been booked in at Pandy Hall.

## **REPORTS**

1. Pandy Village Hall. As above.
2. Cwmyoy Hall. It was reported that a new stage had been constructed, and flooring put down in the kitchen and toilets. New kitchen units were also awaited.
3. Primary School. The next meeting of Governors would be on the 13 October.
4. CEG. No report.
5. Police Report. No report.

## **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

1. BBNP 21/20292/FUL Chapel Farm, Fforest Coalpit. Fully supported by CCC.
2. BBNP 20/18928/FUL and BBNP 21/18931/FUL Dan y Bwlch Farmhouse. CCC would communicate its concern re these 2 applications both with regard to the detrimental visual aspect these 2 building proposals would have on the surrounding countryside and how the implied extra activity would be even more detrimental to the atrocious state of the road alongside and below the farmhouse.

## **PLANNING UPDATES**

1. BBNP 21/19478/FULL and South west of Noyadd Llwyd: Appeal. CCC would re-iterate its precious concerned comments to the Planning Inspectorate re this Appeal. It was also decided to attempt to consult with MCC Cty Clr Jane Pratt re her views about the classified/de-classified status of the road.

## **OBITUARIES**

Mr Philippe Laurent

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

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

## **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

1. It was reported that potholes were in need of repair on the Old Hereford Road near to the A465 junction.
2. It was reported that people were speeding down Penbidwal Lane. It was agreed that residents there were best placed to ask those speeding to be more responsible. It was suggested that residents place signs indicating 'Children at Play' etc.
3. Cty Clr Jones reported that a meeting had been arranged with Peter Fox A.M. to examine what could be done near the entrance to Wern Gifford to make crossing the road safer for pedestrians. The site meeting would take place at 10 a.m. on the 24 September. Clrs Woodier and T Morgan agreed to be present at the said meeting.  
Clr Rippin would be contacted as an Administrator, to enable the removal of online abuse from the Llanvihangel Crucorney News Facebook Page, if needed.
4. It was agreed that CCC should donate £25 towards a retirement present for the Rev. Derek Young. He had been a much respected member of the community and had offered his services to CCC on a number of occasions in the past.
5. A third quote re the cutting back of the trees near the entrance to Pandy Hall car park was still awaited.
6. Re the car charging points at Pandy Hall, councillors agreed that it was in the mutual interest of both the installers (Gwent Energy CIC) and CCC/HMC that the chargers should be removed as, in fact, they were now obsolete and to replace them with state-of-the-art chargers would be too expensive and financially unviable.
7. There had been a slight delay in replacing defibrillator pads recently but eventually, Wel Medical had turned around a 48-hour delivery order and would be considered as the reliable 'go-to' supplier in the future. Clr

Morgan-Evans and the Clerk would also explore how the Welsh Ambulance Defibrillator Scheme operated as, apparently, it supplied replacement pads and batteries free of charge for their machines whereas replacements from other suppliers were quite costly. It was also decided to organise a CPR 'refresher' session at Pandy Hall in November through one of the Heart charities.

8. Councillors decided that a letter should be sent BBNP re the high-handed manner in which its officers had placed a TPO Order on the orchards at Llanvihangel Court, without proper consultation with the owners.

The meeting ended at 21.09

Date of next meeting : 19 October 2021