

Minutes of the 'Hybrid' Meeting held at Pandy Hall on the 16 August 2022

PRESENT Clrs R Morgan, R Morgan-Evans, Davies, Rippin,Phillips and Evans.Clr R Morgan chaired the meeting.

APOLOGIES Clr Bentley and Cty Clr Jones.

COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC None

FINANCIAL REPORT

Current A/C £400 Reserve A/C £21,387.15 Both as at 16 August 2022.

Since the July meeting, the following cheques had been processed: £63.79 (Robert Price) and £118.30 (Merlin Environmental Services Ltd).

Information had been requested by HMRC Valuation Office Agency for the setting of rateable values (non-domestic rating) for the Village Hall and had to be returned by 2 October. Star Legal Solicitors would be contacted again about the status of the lease relating to the Hall.

The long-awaited request by Audit Wales for further documentation as part of its 3 Year Cycle of lighter-touch and in-depth audits had now been received. This documentation had to be submitted by the 15 September. As part of the 'extra' documentation requested by Audit Wales, a draft contract of employment for the Clerk would be included. Councillors had had sight of a draft contract before the meeting and it was discussed with some observations for further discussion to take place at a later meeting of the Council.

A recall of the Hall defibrillator had been received from the makers (CU Medical Systems Inc). Exact details of how remedial work was to be carried out would be investigated. In the meantime, the Hall defibrillator would be withdrawn from service and a notice would be placed in the cabinet to indicate alternative defibrillators' locations. This change would also be recorded on 'The Circuit' to inform the emergency services etc. Councillors also decided that a new Zol defibrillator should be bought in case the recalled defibrillator continued to give problems after recall. CPR/Defibrillator Training would be carried out at the Hall in the autumn, date to be confirmed.

'Blackwood Fire' would be asked to carry out a Fire Risk Assessment of the Hall.

'Tom's Fencing' firm had generously installed the new dog bin on the Skirrid Pitch without charge.

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE JULY MEETING

The minutes were signed as a true and accurate record.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

1. There had been no further information re a local 20 mph limit/double yellow lines near the primary school or otherwise.
2. The new dog-waste removal contract for Monmouthshire had still not been finalised.
3. Groes Lwyd Road surface. No progress.
4. Steps on Offas's Dyke Path near the railway line. These were the responsibility of BBNP and their poor state of repair had now been noted by the BBNP Warden.
5. Footpath through Llanvihangel Crucorney. No progress.
6. Pathway at the back of Trehonddu . No progress.
7. The BBNP Warden had noted concerns about the right of way pathways through the orchard belonging to Llanvihangel Court although there had been an improvement of late.
8. Potholes seemed to have been filled near Pen y Dre and a manhole cover had received attention.
9. Re future 'hybrid' meetings at the Hall, councillors felt that CCC meetings should be held on a different evening of the week to avoid clashes with regular classes at the Hall. It was decided to investigate the possibility of holding meetings on a Monday, Wednesday or Thursday during the coming months. The Chair would contact the Caretaker of the Hall re possibilities.

REPORTS

1. CEC. No news.
2. CEG. No report.
3. Cwmyoy Hall. No report.

4. Pandy Hall Management Committee. As above under Financial Report. Councillors were also reminded that the new tracking for the stage curtains would be installed on the 19 August. Some new tie-backs for the curtains would also be purchased.
5. Primary School. No news.
6. Police Report for July. The report for July included: the theft of a JCB dumpster at Llangua; damage to a boundary fence and theft of hay at Llanvihangel Crucorney; a road traffic collision and failed breath test at Pandy; the theft of an Ivor Williams trailer at Llanvihangel Crucorney; the theft of 2 chainsaws from a vehicle on the A465.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

1. BBNP 22/21256/FUL Little Stanton Farm. No objections from CCC.

PLANNING DECISIONS

1. Holiday accommodation at Llwyn Franc Farm (horde lorry). Refused by BBNP.

OBITUARIES Mrs Josie Whittal Williams, Upper Triley

CORRESPONDENCE

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

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

1. It was reported that the Llanthony Show had had a good year on the gate without it being record-breaking. Traffic flow had caused a few problems and discussion were ongoing as to how to ease this in the future.
2. The Pandy Ploughing Match would take place on the 3 September.

The meeting closed at 20.45. Date of next meeting: 20 September 2022

