

Crucorney Community Council :Virtual Meeting held on the 16 June 2020

PRESENT Clrs R. Morgan, A. Bentley, J. Davies, R. Catley, H. Rippin,T. Morgan, R. Evans, R. Morgan-Evans, J. Woodier and Cty Clr D Jones. A member of the public from Germany was also present at the virtual meeting.

APOLOGIES Clrs Keates and Phillips

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

There were no comments or questions.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Current Account: £400 Reserve Account: £21,019.20

(N.B. Once again, the Nat West had failed to send a hard copy of the Current Account Statement to CCC at the same time as the copy of the Reserve Account.)

The Audit material (including the internal audit report) had now been sent to BDO by tracked mail and the Notice of Audit (with revised dates for September) had been placed on the Council's website as instructed by Derek Evans at Wales Audit.

Two cheques had been issued since the meeting on the 19 May, namely a cheque for £62.40 to Merlin Waste and a cheque for £231.84 to Zurich Insurance.

The **MINUTES** of the previous meeting were signed as a true and accurate record although councillors agreed to reword last month's report on access/non-access to the Brecon Beacons National Park areas as requested by Clr Woodier. The reworded section would be as follows: *Clr Woodier asked councillors' opinions on the lockdown of sites within the Brecon Beacons National Park. The majority of councillors stated that they were content with the current closures especially at 'hotspots' with parking facilities because of the irresponsible behaviour on the part of many members of the public. Clr Woodier held the opinion that while the closure of some hotspots (such as the Sugar Loaf Car Park on Llanwenarth Breast) was understandable, the blanket closure of the vast majority of the open access upland areas was unwarranted and unlikely to be justifiable under the terms of the Health Protection Coronavirus Restrictions) (Wales) Regulations 2020 and is therefore unlawful under the terms of the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000.*

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

1. It was reported that Judith Anderton seemed to be having problems with her Internet which would explain why the minutes from last month's meeting and the Agenda for tonight's meeting had not gone out in the normal way.
2. Cllr Bentley would be placing a notice indicating that community councillors were available to assist residents with information re problems arising in the present pandemic where possible
3. Councillors thought it would be a good idea to liaise soon with the Hall Committee to progress ideas about the renovation of toilets in the village hall.
4. Fire alarms in the Hall had now been brought up to the required standard (with 'sounders') as requested in the latest Risk Assessment Report by Blackwood Fire Ltd. The electrician would also be coming along on Monday next to work on items also indicated in the risk assessment report.
5. Re the Crucorney Fawr Relief in Need Charity some further clarification had been received but this had since changed again. A further update had been requested.
6. No further arrangements had been made re the cutting of the grass at the play area and former bowling green.

REPORTS

1. CEG and Cwmyoy Hall Committee had not issued reports.
2. Pandy HMC: The direct debit payment re the Hall Wi-Fi had now been arranged.
3. Primary School: A virtual meeting had been held recently with regard to the re-opening of the School but the Clerk had not attended. Reading up on information supplied, however, arrangements for the re-opening seemed well in hand.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

1. BBNP20/18668/FUL Maes Bach, Fforest Coalpit. No objections from CCC

PLANNING DECISIONS

1. BBNP 20/18492/FUL Cefn farmhouse. Permission granted by BBNP.

PLANNING UPDATES

1. BBNP 20/18479/CPL Rhyd Lanau Barn. Further information re this application was that it referred to the building of an extension without planning permission. A Certificate of Lawful Use had then been applied for and had been refused. A full planning application had now been made but there was no news re its outcome as yet.

OBITUARIES There were no obituaries.

CORRESPONDENCE

There were no queries re all correspondence sent to councillors by email.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

1. It was reported by Clr Rippin that the County Council had grant money for transport/upgrading bus-stops. Any money left over could seemingly be used for other things, e.g., bus shelters. Councillors felt that it was worthwhile enquiring about such money although Clr Evans thought that most of it was going to be spent on the Abergavenny bus station.
2. Clr T Morgan reported that he had had trouble with the online booking system which was now in use because of Covid 19. Clrs Catley and Bentley had found that the booking system had worked for them. Cty Clr Jones was asked to investigate these anomalies.

The meeting closed at 20.00. Date of next virtual meeting: 21 July 2021

S G Cooper : Clerk to the Council