

Minutes of the meeting held on the 18 April 2017

**PRESENT** Clrs Evans, R Morgan, Davies, Keates, Bayliss, Bentley and Phillips. Three members of the public were also present.

**APOLOGIES** Clr T Morgan

**COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC** Mr Foster described the telephone kiosk project at Bettws to install a defibrillator. The National Lottery had been approached re funding.

**FINANCIAL REPORT** Current A/c: £400 Reserve A/c : £3219. 90.

Both figures reflect the Council's position at the end of the financial year. The end-of-year Building Society reserves would add another £3545.97 to the latter amount so the overall balance carried forward into the new financial year would be £7165.87.

The healthy balance going into the new financial year would enable the Council to fund further improvements to the children's play area and to cover any election costs which would result from the details recently announced that 10 of the 11 vacancies on the Community Council had been filled without a contest. Despite the latter, MCC would still charge CCC for administrative costs.

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

#### **MATTERS ARISING**

1. The new Pandy Hall sign was now in place and working perfectly.
2. Parking near the Skirrid Pitch. No progress.
3. Further questions were raised re the post-2019 situation re the solar panels and exactly which organisations should benefit should the CEG cease to exist. The Clerk would investigate.
4. Renewal of leases. The Clerk informed councillors that Gabb and Company had offered to assist the Community Council in this matter at little or no cost. Councillors were very grateful for this gesture of goodwill..
5. The cheque for £264 from Waitrose for the play area project had been passed to the HMC.
6. The clothes recycling unit had now been removed. The shoe unit remained.
7. A card thanking him for his many years of service as a community councillor had been delivered to Clr Greengrass.
8. Re phone boxes in the area, the Clerk would inform the relevant authority of councillors' wishes.
9. Re the dangerous state of the boundary walls at Twr Mihangel , it was confirmed that Mr Browning at MCC had the matter in hand.

10. It had been reported that 10 out the 11 seats on the Council had been filled without a contest.
11. Roads in the Oldcastle area. Clr Keates would do a further follow-up.
12. The notice board at the Bettws. Clr Keates reported that repairs were imminent.
13. Clr R Morgan had thanked Mr Scott Rogers for the repair work to fencing carried out at the Hall.
14. Notice board near the old post office. No progress.
15. Locks or catches on the Hall notice board. No progress.

## REPORTS

1. Cwmyoy Hall. The last film shown had attracted 22 viewers. The last Garden Club's guest speaker had been unable to attend. Mr Stephen Anderson stepped in and delivered a talk on plants and buildings he had come across on a recent trip[ to Greece. The DVD of the recent panto had been shown to the cast. Frank Olding would deliver a talk on the Archaeology of the Eastern Black Mountains on the 19 April. The list of films for the next film season would be : *Lion* on the 24 May, *Moonlight* on the 28 June, *Manchester by the Sea* on the 26 July and *Jackie* on the 23 August.
2. Pandy Hall Management Committee. No report.
3. CEG. Among other things, March had been a good month for litter picking - 86 hours of work for 56 bags of litter. The *www. crucorney.wales* website is currently being updated to include the 3 churches in the area and a *What's on in Crucorney* in liaison with Judith Anderton. The Group would be at the Pandy Show on the 25 June. The AGM would be on the 15 May at the Crown, Pantygelli at 7.30 p.m. A further payment for the PV panel revenue had been received and the HMC informed.
4. Primary School. No report.

## PLANNING APPLICATIONS

### PLANNING UPDATES/ISSUES:

1. BBNPENF/15/01509/MCUP2 Pen y Mynydd Barns. Councillors wanted more information on what had happened before re this application.

**OBITUARIES** Mr D Price, Mrs Mary Ward, Mr G Finnis and Mr Alex Meredith

## CORRESPONDENCE

1. OVW Minutes (11 April 2017) re Audit items in Welsh. The Clerk would include the Minute with the items requested by the External Auditor.
2. OVW re New Councillor Training on the 25 May in Usk. The 2 new CCC councillors would be invited to go at the Community Council's expense if they wished to attend.

3. OVW re Social Media Policy Template. Noted.
4. Bettws Phone Box Project. See above under *Comments from Members of the Public*.

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

1. Clr Bayliss emphasised that he would like to see a 75%-25% split re the income from the solar panels in favour of the Hall Management Committee.
2. On behalf of all councillors, the Clerk and the Chairman thanked Clr Bayliss for his many years of service as a community councillor.

The meeting closed at 8.45 p.m.

Date of next meeting: 16 May 2017.