

Minutes of the 'hybrid' meeting held on the 21 February 2024 at Pandy Village Hall.

PRESENT Clrs R Morgan, Davies,Phillips, Rippin,Bentley and County Councillor Jones. One member of the public was also present.

APOLOGIES Clrs R Morgan-Evans and Buckler

COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

A local resident voiced his concerns re some motorists who exceeded the speed limit through Llanvihangel Crucorney village most days. It was agreed that the community support officer should be contacted and asked to make their presence felt as a deterrent.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Current A/C £400 Reserve A/C £10474.85 Both as at 14 February 2024

Since the January meeting, payments had been made to: Halden Property Maintenance (Bar Renovation) £5388; Ben Withey (Bar Renovation) £1250; Merlin Environmental Services £145.60 and Amazon (A4 Printer Paper) £19.90

Wales Audit had still not given an explanation re fluctuating annual charges for the external audit over the years, especially the £680 charged for the 2021-2022 external audit.

CCC's Precept request for 2024-2025 had now been confirmed by MCC.

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

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

1. No further news had been received from MCC re the parking bays outside the local primary school.
2. The Welsh Government had not responded to requests for information on the results of the traffic survey near the former Park Hotel. It was reported that a number of traffic monitoring cables had appeared at various locations locally.It was also observed that the speed van had appeared more frequently on the A465 in Pandy.

3. A second 20 mph sign had now appeared at the entrance to Wern Gifford.
4. CCC had received further reports from Powys Community Council re their repairs to the road near Capel y Ffin
5. A reply had now been sent to the resident re his concern over the state of the pathway at the southern end of Llanvihangel Crucorney.
6. Councillors agreed the draft wording of the letter/notice recently prepared for re the timely disposal of domestic rubbish by the owners of holiday cottages in Llanthony. Clr Buckler would clarify the situation with MCC re the collection of commercial waste.
7. Ty Doli potholes. No further news.
8. Councillors and Cty Clr Jones would continue to monitor the state of roadside trees at Cwmyoy which had been a cause of concern for local residents.

REPORTS

1. Pandy Village Hall. The bar renovations were now complete and had received very positive comments from users of the hall. New groups using the hall were the Tractor Club, a Search Dog training group and a gospel group.
2. Cwmyoy Hall. The pantomime (Cinderella) had been a huge success and had raised c. £2,500 for the Hall. Future projects were being discussed. A Fire Inspection had taken place.
3. Police Report for January 2024. The report contained news of a vehicle theft in Llanvihangel Crucorney, a vehicle being driven carelessly on the A465 and the theft of hay bales from a farm.
4. CEC/CIC. A new felling licence would be obtained soon and a social event would be held at the Court.
5. Primary School. The attempt to obtain a new IT service agreement had been abandoned because of unidentified costs which had come to light when the terms and conditions had been 'explored'.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

1. BBNP 24/22604/TPO The Old Vicarage. No objections from CCC.

2. BBNP 24/22604/TPO The Old Vicarage –Amendment. No objections from CCC.

OBITUARIES

Mr Maurice Samuel, Mrs Aitken, Mr Jeremy Jackson and Mr Trevor Pritchard

CORRESPONDENCE

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

The Clerk brought to councillors' attention an email with regard to an excessive noise issue in the early morning on Wern Gifford. The complainant wished to remain anonymous and the Clerk had directed them to the Environmental Health and Safety Team at Monmouthshire County Council. He had also asked the complainant to pass on any progress reports to CCC.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

1. Cllr Bentley wondered whether any information could be obtained re sources of help for those suffering from the cost of living crisis. Councillors thought that MCC should be the first port of call and information when accessed could be advertised through What's On Crucorney, Facebook and on CCC's website.
2. It was reported that there was a completely blocked drain near Twr Mihangel and at Pont Rhys Powell.
3. A site meeting between Mr Ian Tremlett and David T C Davies, MP had taken place in Llanvihangel Crucorney Village where the painted signs on the road surfaces indicated a 30 mph stretch of road and the newly erected 20 mph signs indicated otherwise. Further action was awaited eagerly by residents.

The meeting closed at 20.25 Date of next meeting: 20 March 2024

S G Cooper : Clerk