Minutes of the hybrid meeting held on the 18 June 2025

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

APOLOGIES Clrs Phillips, Rippin and Buckler

COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC None

FINANCIAL REPORT

Current A/C £400 Reserve A/C £11,855.73 Both as at 9 June 2025

Payments made since the May meeting had been: £144 (AB Plumbing); £7857.24 (Land & Stone Builders); £4.00 (Amazon – Stationery); £152.88 (Merlin - Dog waste).

CCC's Santander Building Society Account had been closed and the balance of £2879.34 transferred to CCC's NatWest Reserve Account

The work carried out in the bowling green area by Land and Stone had now been completed. Councillors were pleased with the work done and many members of the public had made positive comments about the finished project.

CCC's Annual Return for the 2024-2025 Triennial Audit was signed by the Clerk and Chairperson. A positive report had already been received from the Internal Auditor, Mrs C Haines, FCCA. All documentation for the external audit would have to be sent to Audit Wales by the 8 August but the Clerk would submit all items at the beginning of July.

Audit Wales has still not explained its very high fees charged to CCC for the last Triennial Audit in 2021-2022.

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

MATTERS ARISING

1. Land Adjacent to Twr Mihangel. No further developments.

- 2. The Openreach works in the Llanthony Valley. There was no further news re financial compensation for the disruption to businesses because of the work. CCC would write in support of the claims for compensation.
- 3. The Grosmont Road in and around Whitehouse Farm. No further information.
- 4. The pathway at Trehonddu. Melin Housing had now cut back the undergrowth.
- 5. MCC had been informed about the undergrowth on the pathway from the River's Edge pub to the village.
- 6. The vehicle permanently parked at the bottom of Penbidwal Lane. County Councillor David Jones had investigated the issue and achieved a successful outcome.
- 7. Contact had been made with a local resident re the provision of more accessible stiles for people with mobility problems. MCC would be asked for their assessment of the situation.
- 8. MCC had sent the Notice for a Casual Vacancy on the Council for the Pandy Ward. Clr Bentley agreed to place the notice on CCC's Facebook page and on the Llanvihangel News Facebook page. Clr Rippin would place the notice on CCC's website and the Clerk would place the notice on the Village Hall notice board and the notice board near the former telephone kiosk at the entrance to LLanvihangel Crucorney Village.

REPORTS

- 1. Pandy Village Hall. As above under Financial Report.
- 2. <u>Cwmyoy Hall</u>. It was reported that the Chairperson, the Treasurer and the Secretary had resigned from the Hall Committee. Anyone interested in these vacant posts should apply to the Committee.
- 3. <u>Police Report for May</u>. Reports were as follows: a burglary at Fforest Coalpit, the theft of saddles from a vehicle in Pandy, a controlled burn in Fforest Coalpit, the theft of tools from a shed in Cwmyoy, an attempted burglary in Pandy, 5 vehicles broken into in Llanvetherine, and a shipping container broken into in Pandy.

- 4. School Report. No report.
- 5. <u>CEC/CIC</u>. No report.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- 1. BBNP 25/23842/FUL Crossways Lodge. No objections from CCC
- 2. BBNP 25/23841/FUL Fforest Coalpit Farm. No objections from CCC.

OBITUARIES

Mr John Middleton and Mrs Yvonne O'Neill

CORRESPONDENCE

There were no further comments from councillors re correspondence sent to them.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- 1. The grass had not been cut at Trehonddu for a very long time. To be reported to MCC.
- 2. The PTFA at the local primary school had wanted to know whether CCC would agree to the placing of a clothes collecting receptacle in the Hall car park to raise money for the School. Councillors were a little wary of agreeing to this because of problems with a similar venture in the past. Further information would be sought re the size and colour of the receptacle and the method of emptying. It was also suggested that a place could be looked for in the school grounds.
- 3. Residents at Trehonddu had reported that rubbish had been tipped on the verge adjoining the Melin pathway between the bottom row of houses and the farmer's field. On the verge of the pathway an old (oil?) drum had also been used to burn noxious materials. Councillors agreed that the matter should be reported to the Monmouthshire Housing Association Officer.

The meeting closed at 20.35 Date of next meeting: 16 July 2025