

Minutes of the Annual Open Meeting held on Monday 20th May 2019 at 7:30 pm in Llanbedr Village Hall

Present: Cllrs Caroline Fairclough (*Chair*), David Sharman, Colin Alford, John Morris, Elaine Lusted, Phill Bowker and Keith Powell. **In attendance:** Cty Cllr John Morris and Maria James (*Clerk*).

There being no members of the public present the meeting moved to the Annual Meeting.

Annual Meeting

1. Election of Chairman 2019/20: *Cllr Caroline Fairclough presided.*

Cllr Powell proposed Cllr Fairclough continue in office. This was seconded by Cllr Morris. It was RESOLVED to appoint Cllr Fairclough as Chair for the forthcoming year.

2. Apologies for Absence were received from Cllr Christy.

3. Outgoing Chairman's Report: Cllr Fairclough recounted the year as being very productive with the allotments finally having been signed off, as well as the nature garden. Yellow lines are now down in Bellfountain Road and signage has been erected at Craig Y Bwla - continuity signs should be erected on the Monmouthshire side by summer. There are also two new community initiatives, the community newsletter and community project. The Council should congratulate itself.

Cllr Fairclough attended a variety of meetings throughout the year, including the Five Councils and a Tri Town meeting, which Cllr Sharman also attended, and laid a wreath in Crickhowell on Remembrance Day. Mrs Wendy Bowler (a former councillor) laid a wreath on behalf of the council in Llangenny Church. Whilst retrospective planning is still a concern it is hoped something can be done about this within the emerging LDP. Cllr Fairclough thanked the two members who left during the year for the work they undertook and concluded by stating the Council should be reasonably pleased with the year.

4. Election of Officers & Representatives on Outside Bodies:

Vice Chairman: Cllr Morris was proposed by Cllr Sharman and seconded by Cllr Fairclough. Agreed Cllr Morris continue as Vice Chairman.

One Voice Wales Representative: Cllr Morris was proposed by Cllr Fairclough and seconded by Cllr Sharman. Agreed Cllr Morris continue as OVW representative.

Glangrwyney Village Hall Representative: Cllr Sharman was proposed by Cllr Lusted and seconded by Cllr Fairclough. Agreed Cllr Sharman continue as Glangrwyney Village Hall representative.

Llanbedr School Board of Governors Representative: Cllr Lusted was proposed by Cllr Fairclough and seconded by Cllr Sharman. Agreed Cllr Lusted continue as Llanbedr School Governor.

Llanbedr Allotment Society: Cllr Sharman proposed Cllr Morris continue as the Council's representative. This was seconded by Cllr Powell and duly agreed.

5. Annual Accounts: The Clerk referred to the statement itemising receipts and payments made for the year ending 31st March 2019 (previously circulated) and requested Council's approval that this fairly represents the financial position of the authority as at this date. Cllr Sharman proposed the accounts be approved. This was seconded by Cllr Morris and duly agreed. The Clerk will contact the recipients of the unrepresented cheques to advise they may not be accepted if dated over six months.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7:50pm