

Minutes of the Vale of Grwyney Community Council Meeting held on Monday 18th November 2019 at 7:30pm in Llanbedr Village Hall.

Present: Cllr John Morris (Acting Chair)
Cllr Colin Alford
Cllr Elaine Lusted
Cllr Keith Powell
Cllr Jeff Greenidge

In attendance: Maria James (Clerk)

1.	Apologies for Absence: Cllr Fairclough, Cllr Bowker, Cllr Sharman and Cty Cllr Morris.
2.	Declarations of Interest: None declared.
3.	Planning: 3.1 Applications: (i) 19/17978/FUL: Two storey extension to the rear of existing dwelling to provide additional living accommodation - 2 Ffawyddden Fforest Coal Pit NP7 7LY RESOLVED to: submit response of no objection. 3.2 Decisions/Other: (i) 19/17816/FUL: Orchard Cottage, Llanbedr NP8 1SR has been permitted.
4.	County Council Report: Not applicable – Cty Cllr Morris was not present.
5.	Minutes: Cllr Lusted proposed the minutes of the 21 st October meeting [Page 1284 -1287] be accepted as a true record. This was seconded by Cllr Powell and duly approved.
6.	Matters Arising from the above minutes for information purposes: Cllr Christy requested an up-date on [Item 4 Page1285]. The Clerk apologised, but hasn't yet contacted WG - ongoing.
7.	Llanbedr Nature Garden: Cllr Morris reported visiting local garden centres to secure suitable trees however whilst pear trees are available he had failed to source apple trees of sufficient quality. New stock is due in the New Year. It was agreed to delay purchase of both the pear and apple trees until the New Year. Discussion ensued regarding the nature garden with the suggestion it requires strimming on a more regular basis. The maintenance schedule however limits cutting to a maximum of 3 times a year. Cllr Powell offered to trim this week. The road hedge to the side of the allotments is in need of cutting. Whilst the Council previously gave the Allotment Society £50 for this purpose the cheque has not been cashed. It was suggested the Society is asked if it is going to get the hedge cut - explaining the Council can arrange however would expect a contribution towards the cost. RESOLVED to: write to the Allotment Society as detailed.
8.	VE DAY 75 Celebrations - to consider holding an event: Cllr Bowker (Chairman of Glangrwyney Village Hall) had previously stated Glangrwyney Village Hall intend holding an event to celebrate VE Day. Members were asked if they wished to offer their support to a joint event.

	RESOLVED to: defer discussion until Cllr Bowker was present.																								
9.	Retrospective Planning - to receive up-date: The Minister for Housing and Local Government, Julie James AC/AM confirms she will consult on proposed changes to planning and related application fees next year.																								
10.	<p>IRPW draft Annual Report: General discord was voiced at the recommendations previously made by the IRPW. Following consideration it was suggested the Council write to state it remains uncomfortable that an expenses allowance is subject to PAYE and considers the financial implications may in fact deter people from standing for office rather than attracting.</p> <p>RESOLVED to: write to the IRPW as outlined.</p>																								
11.	<p>Llangenny Water Fountain - to receive up-date: Investigations reveal the water fountain was built by Andrew Doyle Esq to commemorate Queen Victoria's Golden Jubilee in 1887. The Clerk will circulate information sourced by Cllr Lusted from Crickhowell Archive Centre.</p> <p>BBNPA's Conservation Officer has confirmed her support of the Council's proposal to restore and put Llangenny Water Fountain back in working order advising listed building consent is required if the pipework connection and tap fitting are altered. Cllr Powell offered to speak to a local stone mason to ascertain the work required.</p> <p>It was suggested the Council proceed with an application for listed building consent. Once consent has been obtained funding channels can be investigated.</p> <p>RESOLVED to: submit an application for listed building consent</p>																								
12.	Llanbedr Recycling Scheme: to receive up-date: No news to report - Cllr Powell reported the situation with Terracycle remains the same. The recycling of Tetra Paks appears to be the way forward.																								
13.	Any Other Business - for information only: None reported.																								
14.	<p>Finance:</p> <p>14.1 Cllr Lusted proposed the following items be approved for payment. This was seconded by Cllr Powell and agreed:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="284 1469 1026 1892"> <tr> <td>Staff (Salary £256.27/Expenses £25)</td> <td>£281.27</td> </tr> <tr> <td>HMRC</td> <td>£ 35.60</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Llanbedr Village Hall</td> <td>£100.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Glangrwyney Village Hall</td> <td>£100.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Llangenny School Hall</td> <td>£100.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Wales Air Ambulance</td> <td>£100.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Llanbedr Churchyard Fund</td> <td>£100.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Llangenny Churchyard Fund</td> <td>£100.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Patrishow Churchyard Fund</td> <td>£100.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Friends of Llangenny Playground</td> <td>£ 72.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>RBL Poppy Appeal (wreath);</td> <td>£ 34.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>J Morgan (care of noticeboard)</td> <td>£ 12.00</td> </tr> </table> <p>14.2 The finance report was received and noted.</p> <p>14.3 Other Financial Matters (if any): None reported.</p>	Staff (Salary £256.27/Expenses £25)	£281.27	HMRC	£ 35.60	Llanbedr Village Hall	£100.00	Glangrwyney Village Hall	£100.00	Llangenny School Hall	£100.00	Wales Air Ambulance	£100.00	Llanbedr Churchyard Fund	£100.00	Llangenny Churchyard Fund	£100.00	Patrishow Churchyard Fund	£100.00	Friends of Llangenny Playground	£ 72.00	RBL Poppy Appeal (wreath);	£ 34.00	J Morgan (care of noticeboard)	£ 12.00
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<p>15.</p>	<p>Highways: Members expressed concern at the amount of repairs outstanding.</p> <p>Cllr Fairclough reported trees affected with ash dieback in Grwyne Fawr. It was agreed this is a massive problem for landowners/highways. It was agreed to defer discussion until Cllr Fairclough is present.</p> <p>Other matters reported:</p> <p>Dip in road in Llangenny – section subsided some years ago - getting worse Potholes along Vicarage pitch Culvert at Millbrook, Llangenny - blocked Glangrwyney Bridge – pedestrian access remains closed. Blocked culvert at Cadwgan Grwyne Fawr - opposite the car park - water flowing across the road. Damaged road surface just below Nant-y-Bedd Drains blocked between The Coed and Neuadd Wen Potholes in road to Grwyne Fawr - on pitch before Tyn y Llwyn.</p> <p>Concerns were raised over speeding in Glangrwyney. It was agreed to put this on the agenda for discussion at the next meeting.</p>
<p>16.</p>	<p>Reports on Meetings Attended: Cllr Fairclough supplied a written report on the BBNPA Farm Diversification Meeting she attended. The main result was that the specific guidance in the Farm Diversification SPG will be re-written, to be clearer and to give examples of projects. The LDP was also discussed – there will be a chance to review it at the deposit stage next year.</p> <p>Remembrance Sunday: Cllr Fairclough laid the wreath in Crickhowell and Cllr Sharman laid the wreath in Llangenny Church.</p>
<p>17.</p>	<p>Correspondence: The following correspondence was received and discussed as appropriate.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. BBNPA: Agenda for PAROW - 29th October, 2019, 10.00 am 2. BBNPA: Agenda for NPA - 29th October, 2019, 11.30 am 3. BBNPA: weekly planning registers (18.10.19, 25.10.19, 1.11.19,) (circulated) 4. OVW: #EverydayAgeism Campaign 5. OVW: News Bulletin 6. OVW: Vacancy - Mid & West Wales Development Officer 7. OVW: Welsh Government Guidance re duty under the Environment (Wales) Act 2016 8. PCC: Link to budget consultation exercise 9. BBNPA: Planning Application Consultation Letter 19/17978/FUL 10. PAVO: PAVO 2019 Conference and AGM 11. OVW: Guidance on securing biodiversity enhancements in development proposals 12. Powys Local Access Forum: Big Lottery Funding - Countryside Access 13. BBPNA: 19/17816/FUL – permitted 14. Cty Cllr Morris: waste collection 15. PAVO: November 2019 E-bulletin 16. PAVO AGM Papers - 19 Nov 2019 17. OVW: Newsletter special bulletin 18. OVW: SuDS Proposed amendment Sustainable Drainage (Enforcement) (Wales) Order 2018 19. BBNPA: Local Access Forum - 13th November 2019 20. Steve Shaw: Council motion request re national community energy campaign 21. PAVO: community feedback 22. PPC: Precept 2020/21 23. OVW: Representing interests of people in NHS in Wales: plans and priorities in 2020-2021 24. PAVO: What Matters? Listening to Powys' Third Sector - 19 November 2019 25. OVW: Reporting on Section 6 - The Biodiversity and Resilience of Ecosystems Duty –

	agenda 26. Clerks & Council Direct: Issue 126 – November 2019
18.	Miscellaneous/Late Items of Correspondence: 1. J Poole BBNPA: heritage impact statement, etc - Llangenny Water Fountain 2. J James AM: reply to request for up-date re retrospective planning 3. PAVO: PAVO's Annual Conference & AGM - 19 Nov 19 4. OVW: Larger Councils Minutes 5. BBNPA: planning register (08.11.19)
19.	Items for inclusion in the next Agenda <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Speeding in Glangrwyney.• Reporting on Section 6 - The Biodiversity and Resilience of Ecosystems Duty

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 8:47pm

Signed:
Chairman