

Minutes of the Vale of Grwyney Community Council Meeting held on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2020 at 7:30pm in Llangenny School Hall.

**Present:** Cllr Caroline Fairclough (Chair)  
Cllr Jeff Greenidge  
Cllr Elaine Lusted  
Cllr Dean Christy  
Cllr Keith Powell

**In attendance:** Maria James (Clerk)

1.	<b>Apologies for Absence:</b> Cllrs Sharman, Morris, Bowker, Alford & Cty Cllr Morris
2.	<b>Declarations of Interest:</b> None declared.
3.	3.1 <b>Applications:</b> None received. 3.2 <b>Decisions/Other:</b> None received.
4.	<b>County Council Report:</b> A written report was received from Cty Cllr Morris: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• PCC is still dealing with flooding issues for a few VoG residents. There is financial help for people affected - these people should have been contacted.</li><li>• Budget – slightly better news with more money available for schools, although council tax has risen by 4.8%.</li></ul>
5.	<b>Minutes:</b> Cllr Fairclough proposed the minutes of the 17 <sup>th</sup> February [Page 1301-1303] be accepted as a true record. This was seconded by Cllr Lusted and duly approved subject to amending spelling of “Bowler to Bowker - Item 8
6.	<b>Matters Arising from the above minutes for information purposes:</b> PCSO Dunne sent apologies for being unable to attend the February meeting and asked if he could come to the April meeting. Members welcomed this however cautioned the emerging Coronavirus pandemic could mean this meeting will not take place.  Should councillors refuse to provide the Clerk with written confirmation of their decision not to accept the communication allowance the Clerk has been advised by OVW [Page 1302 Item 16.3] to minute this decision.
7.	<b>Housing Developments on known Flood Plains:</b> It was agreed to defer this item to a future meeting when Cty Cllr Morris is present. In the interim Cllr Christy will prepare and circulate a report on the implications building on flood plains has in our area.
8.	<b>Llangenny Water Fountain:</b> It was agreed to place an advert in the Brecon & Radnor Express prior to submitting the planning application.
9.	<b>Speeding in Glangrwyney:</b> PSCO Dunne informed the Clerk the speed awareness group had not been out for a few months and advised her to contact PS Matt Thomas of the Roads Traffic Unit to find out enforcement details.  The Clerk reminded members Kirsty Williams AM has offered to attend a meeting to discuss this problem. Members appreciated this offer but agreed prior to accepting or taking any further action facts and figures need to be obtained.

10.	<p><b>Llanbedr Nature Garden:</b> The Clerk confirmed WWHA has paid for the apple and pear trees planted in the nature garden. Payment of the annual licence fee is now payable. Previous plans for the garden included planting wild flowers. As this is the time of year when seeds should be sown the Clerk was authorised to purchase wild flower seed up to the value of £30.</p>								
11.	<p><b>Dog Fouling in Martell Way:</b> Problems with dog fouling have been reported in areas around Glangrwyney, namely Tyn-y-Cae and Martell Way. It was suggested PCC is asked to install signs asking dog owners to pick up after their dogs. The Clerk will contact PCC. Cllr Greenidge offered to liaise with PCC on suitable locations.</p>								
12.	<p><b>Lengthsman's Scheme:</b> PCC's Head of Highways, Transport &amp; Recycling response to the Council's letter regarding this scheme was noted. Cllr Fairclough offered to draft a letter in response. <i>20:00 Cllr Greenidge left the meeting</i></p>								
13.	<p><b>Retrospective Planning:</b> Nothing to report.</p>								
14.	<p><b>Any Other Business for information only:</b> A meeting will be held on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2020 to consider ways of providing help and support to the community during the current Covid-19 pandemic</p>								
15.	<p><b>Finance:</b></p> <p>15.1 Cllr Lusted proposed the following items be approved for payment. This was seconded by Cllr Fairclough and agreed:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="284 1021 1115 1162"> <tr> <td>Staff (Salary £255.83/Expenses £25)</td> <td>£280.83</td> </tr> <tr> <td>OVW: Subscription</td> <td>£134.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>WWHA: annual licence payment – nature garden</td> <td>£ 1.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>HMRC</td> <td>£ 35.80</td> </tr> </table> <p>16.2 The finance report was received and noted.</p> <p>16.3 Risk Assessment: In line with governance requirements the Council reviewed the effectiveness of its internal controls. The Risk Assessment Schedule (previously circulated) was discussed. It was duly agreed and signed by the Chairman.</p> <p>16.4 It was resolved to continue to employ Bronwen Bermingham as internal auditor.</p> <p>16.5 Other Financial Matters: None reported.</p>	Staff (Salary £255.83/Expenses £25)	£280.83	OVW: Subscription	£134.00	WWHA: annual licence payment – nature garden	£ 1.00	HMRC	£ 35.80
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17.	<p><b>Highways:</b> the following items were reported:</p> <p>Pontyspig, Forest Coal Pit – works ongoing to damaged bridge Vicarage pitch, Llangenny - potholes remain in need of repair</p>								
18.	<p><b>Reports on Meetings Attended:</b> The Clerk will scan and circulate report on OVW meeting she attended with Cllr Morris.</p>								
19.	<p><b>Correspondence:</b> The following correspondence was received and discussed as appropriate.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Kirsty Williams AM:</b> response from Minister re speeding in Glangrwyney (C)</li> <li>2. <b>OVW:</b> Local Places for Nature packages (C)</li> <li>3. <b>IRPW/OVW:</b> Annual Report - February 2020 (c)</li> <li>4. <b>OVW:</b> Innovative Practice Annual Awards Ceremony 26th March 2020 (C)</li> </ol>								

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<p><b>20.</b></p>	<p><b>Miscellaneous/Late Items of Correspondence:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Powys Community Health Council:</b> Executive Meeting 17/03/20.</li> <li>2. <b>Powys Community Health Council:</b> Services Planning Committee Meeting on 17/03/20</li> <li>3. <b>PAVO:</b> third sector response to Coronavirus COVID-19</li> <li>4. <b>OVW:</b> National Awards Conference - postponed due to Coronavirus</li> <li>5. <b>PCC:</b> MS1164-2019 – response to VoGCC's (Lengthsman's Scheme Suggestion (C)</li> <li>6. <b>PAVO:</b> Information relating to Covid-19 (C)</li> <li>7. <b>Keep Britain Tidy:</b> Coronavirus (COVID 19) guidance</li> <li>8. <b>PCC:</b> Links to MTFS and the Vision 2025 up-date (C)</li> <li>9. <b>BBNPA:</b> Community Update (C)</li> <li>10. <b>Grwyne Fawr CIC/Pen y Cae Working Group:</b> reminder to complete survey (C)</li> <li>11. <b>PCC:</b> contact details for T/C Councils</li> <li>12. <b>Powys Community Health Council:</b> Executive/SPC Meeting cancelled</li> <li>13. <b>BBNPA:</b> weekly register – 13/03/20 (C)</li> <li>14. <b>OVW:</b> Coronavirus Briefing Note (C)</li> <li>15. <b>PAVO:</b> Third Sector Support : Coronavirus &amp; Covid-19 (C)</li> </ol>
<p><b>21.</b></p>	<p><b>Items for inclusion in the next Agenda:</b> Coronavirus</p>

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 20.49 pm

Signed: .....  
Chairman