

Llanbister Community Council General Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday 5th September 2024 **Time:** 7:30pm **Venue:** Community Hub.

1. Apologies received: Wayne Bowen, Darren Rogers

2. Members Present: Tracy Lewis (8pm), Catherine James, County Councillor Geoff Morgan, Marc Williams, Gareth Bowen
Jennifer Turner (Clerk).

3. Declaration of Interest. GB and GM - Planning 24/1034/FUL

4. Minutes of the Last Meeting(s) – Minutes of the 4th July 2024 general meeting were reviewed. It was agreed they were an accurate record. Proposed GM, Seconded CJ Approved and Duly signed by Vice Chair

5. Matters Arising from Minutes-

- Llanbister War Memorial – Date arranged for work to be completed
- Graveyard – An updated lease has been received, reviewed and returned by GM. No further update, GM to chase
- Community Engagement – Second copy of the quarterly village magazine 'Tidbit' has been printed and Councillors agreed to distribute. Arrangements have been made to send copies to the school. The first copy was well received. Councillors checked adverts and reviewed the September issue.

The village tidy up was very successful. Clerk to ask the Grasscutter to include the triangle at the entry to the village, near to the bus stop in his regular grasscutting

Councillors are considering creating a Nature Walk within the village, behind Back Lane going up to the Church yard. This would hopefully be funded by grants once quotes were received for the necessary work

- Speedbump – waiting for weather to improve to repaint

6. Planning –

Planning application 24/1034/FUL - approved

7. Finance - Balances as at 5th September 2024

Savings Account - £ 1,105.53

Income (as part of above balance) £0

Community Account - £11,073.10

Income (as part of above balance) - £2,309 Precept

Outgoings as part of the above balance –

£5 Bank charge (September)

Clerk's salary (Sept and October)

Clerks expenses (Sept and October)
£104 HMRC (Sept and October)
£270 Grass Cutting (Paid £210 15th Aug, £60 to pay)
£110 Aztec Printing (Tidbit) (Paid 15th August)
£255 Aztec Printing (Tidbit)
£90 Audit (Paid 15th August)
£10 Flowers Aztec
£76 One Voice Wales membership (Paid 26th July)
£14.05 T Lewis (Hotdogs Village Tidy) (Paid 15th August)
£384 Mid Wales Accountants 2023-24 Payroll (Paid 26th July)

8. School Governor's Report.

Classroom structures have been changed – no further update

9. Community Hall / Hub Report.

TL reported the following on-going activities – More players are needed for the Pool Team. Bowls has started with seven members, this will continue for six weeks. Badminton course is starting in September. Catch up club is well attended and recently had a talk from the High Sheriff, Catherine Silk. A booking has been received for dinner and bar for Balwyn Sheep Society. Bookings have been received for YFC dinner and for Choir Booking for the School. Booking costs have been kept to a minimum of £25, as many venues are much more expensive and the Hall is benefiting from this with more bookings being received and therefore increased bar sales.

10. Any Other Business.

- Two trees overgrown at bottom of carpark - MW has arranged for this work to be completed.
- Speeding traffic travelling past the village is a problem and Councillors considered the purchase of a fake police speed man – clerk to find out cost
- GM is arranging a meeting with Emma Palmer from Powys County Council regarding service reductions in Powys – GM to provide proposed date
- There is a remnant of a replaced fence near to the Church gate, this could present a danger to sheep – TL to contact landowner
- Old railings from war memorial need disposing of – GB to arrange
- Not many people attended the recent litter pick.
- The Noticeboard has been re-sited free of charge, a member of the public has asked for this and the bench to be renovated and repainted as funds are available for this work.
- Work on the new website is ongoing

Date of Next meeting - Thursday 7th November 2024 at 7.30pm.

Meeting Closed at 20.34