# Minutes of a Remote Meeting of Nantmel Community Council on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2022

- Present: Cllr A Bates, K Curry, P Bowen, J Harris, J Morgan, Cty Cllr D Evans
- Apologies: None.
- NC 32/22 Declarations of Interests None.

#### NC 33/22 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2022 were confirmed and signed.

#### NC 34/22 Information from Minutes

a) Jubilee Tree Planting

The Clerk showed members the plaque which had arrived. She had explored several suppliers but was unable to find a suitable English Oak tree for the commemoration.

Cllr Curry said he may well have a suitable tree within his woodland area which could be replanted and will report back at the next meeting.

#### NC 35/22 Planning

#### a) 22/0549/HH

Grid Reference: **E**:307981 **N**: 264918

Proposal: Erection of metal frame garage and extension to domestic curtilage - Site Address: Brookside, Crossgates, Llandrindod Wells, Powys LD1 6RF.

Members look at the plans carefully and noted there were no dimensions listed. It appeared to be a large structure and it was agreed to ask for further information.

**Resolved:** to request further information.

#### NC 36/22 <u>Correspondence</u> None.

#### NC 37/22 Finances

- a) Zurich Insurance £257.60 approved
- b) The Workshop Aberfeldy Tree Plaque £62.40 approved

# c) Annual Accounts 2021/22 & Annual Return The Annual Accounts for 2021/22 were presented to the council. Resolved: the council approved these.

The Annual Return for 2021/22 was presented to the council and was run through by the Clerk. **Resolved:** to approve the Annual Return

### d) Budget 2022/23

The Clerk presented the updated budget which included individual budget earmarked reserves for their information. This was noted.

### e) Internal Audit Report 2021/22

The Clerk presented the Internal Audit report to the Council. Resolved: to accept the report.

#### f) LRS Audit - £39.35 - approved

#### NC 38/32 Training

#### a) Training Plan

The Clerk had drafted a training plan in line with the new legal requirement for discussion.

**Resolved:** to adopt and publish this plan.

#### b) Induction Training – Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2022 – 6.15pm (Remote) Resolved: Clerk will email all members with regard to the training.

## NC 39/22 Broadband Project

A meeting was held on 11<sup>th</sup> April. Broadway Partners will do a second mailing in the hope to reach the required target.

The current registration situation is Rhayader is standing at 7% they need 25% up take. They require 258 additional expressions of interest.

Nantmel is standing at 17% they need 30%. They require 53 additional expressions of interest.

The new letter contains email address for Clerk and postal address only so that residents will see this is a local project.

Nantmel is in the highest top-up dependency in Wales due to poor accessibility. The Nantmel approval was submitted before 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022.

# NC 40/22 County Councillors Report

Cty Cllr Evans made his final report as County Councillor for Nantmel after 49 years of service as local members. He thanked the council for their help, support and in particular their friendship over the years. He will miss not attending the meetings. He thanked the Clerk for being strong and professional and for guiding on many matters.

The Chair thanked him for all his years of service to the community and for his support of local groups and organisations; he will be greatly missed. This was echoed by all members.

Cllr Curry commented that he is aware that David has dealt with sensitive County Council issues very well and has always responded to community issues promptly and thanked him for his service. The Clerk paid tribute to Cty Cllr Evans and thanked him for keeping the council in touch with all PCC matters by circulating bulletins promptly and regularly. She felt he will be greatly missed.

### NC 41/22 School Building

Cllr Curry reported that on 8<sup>th</sup> April he received an email from one of the descendants stating that the Diocesan is going ahead and putting the property on the market. The Diocesan's solicitor stated in the email that the family must provide the relevant evidence of descendants, including a detailed and fully family tree. The Diocesan stated they are going to proceed with a sale.

Cllr Curry suggested the following actions for the council:

- a) Obtain a full list of the Diocesan Trust members
- b) Contact McCartneys to register an interest on behalf of the community
- c) Explore the PWLB options
- d) Explore Grant Funding via PAVO
- e) Organise a Public Meeting to obtain residents confirmation to progress.

# NC 41/22 Other Matters

a) Litter Picking

The Chair had seen a gentleman litter picking within the community recently and asked if anyone knew who this gentleman was as he was doing a wonderful job. Members were asked to look out for this gentleman