

**Minutes of a Remote Meeting of Nantmel Community Council on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2022**

**Present:** Cllr A Bates, K Curry, P Bowen, R Lewis, J Price

**Apologies:** Cllr J Harris

**NC 112/22 Declarations of Interests**  
NC 115/22 - Cllr A Bates

**NC 113/22 Minutes**  
There were not enough members who were present at the last meeting to approve the minutes of 20<sup>th</sup> October 2022. This will be deferred to the next meeting.

**NC 114/22 Information from Minutes**  
None.

**NC 115/22 Planning**  
**a) 22/1716/FUL**  
Grid Reference: E:297953 N: 267784  
Proposal: The formation of a new access and internal road, together with landscaping - Site Address: Gigrin Farm, Rhayader, LD6 5BL.  
Cllr Bates declared an interest in this application and left the room whilst discussions took place.  
**Resolved:** No objection.

**NC 116/22 Correspondence**  
**a) NHS Wales – Emergency Ambulance Services**  
This was noted.  
  
The Clerk informed members of the opportunity for a member to attend a Gathering organised by Wales Air Ambulance. No-one was able to attend.  
  
**b) PCC Electoral Services – Uncontested Election Fee**  
Notification of the fee of £417.94 for uncontested May elections. This was accepted.  
  
**c) NALC – National Salary Award**  
Notification of new mandatory pay award from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022.  
**Resolved:** to adopt the new pay award from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022.

**NC 117/22 Finances**  
**a) Zoom – £59.95 – 50% - £59.95**  
**b) Vision ICT – Website - £180.60**  
**c) Funding Eye – Consultancy - £700.00**

**NC 118/22      Community Broadband Scheme**

Cllr Curry updated members on progress and was pleased to say that Nantmel forms Phase 2 of the whole scheme, with work scheduled to start April/May 2023.

He had noticed that Open Reach have begun to extend broadband over the Ysfa.

**NC 119/22      Nantmel School**

Work has started via Funding Eye on developing the Business plan and community survey. The Clerk and Cllr Curry attended the initial meeting with Funding Eye to provide information on the project. A new draft Business Plan had been circulated to them and they are awaiting a further draft.

A draft survey has been developed and will be circulated within the community shortly. Members agreed in principle to fund the circulation of the survey to each household.

A meeting of the Action Group will be held in the new year to present the Business Plan and to get the residents who offered their support together.

The Council has been considering the options of a new build and utilizing the school building. Cllr Curry had spoken to a local landowner regarding availability of land and also an architect who has offered to assist with the Phosphate Study. Members present were in favour of a new build to maximise energy efficiency and grants available.

Cllr Curry suggested considering white lining the village car park to make it space efficient.

**NC 120/22      County Councillors Report**

None.

**Nc 121/22      Other Matters**

**a) Iman Casings Odour**

Cllr Curry mentioned he had contacted the Environmental Health Officer with regards to the issues with the odour from the former Abbatoir. Caerfagu Products have been concerned about this issue. Other residents have also been logging issues which have been sent to PCC.

He had received the following response from the Environmental Health Officer:

“It is not normal practice to update complainants as we go along while the investigation is live and ongoing, unless there has been a delay or abnormally long gap, this is not the case here.

I see no point in visiting the staff but will email an update saying that the investigation is ongoing and I have made three visits to the area to try and detect the odour since the logs have been returned, to date on two occasions I didn't witness anything but on one visit I did detect an odour but it wasn't strong enough to deem it to be a statutory nuisance.

Odour detection is unlike other nuisance such as noise where we can install monitoring devices, it needs an officer to witness it, and then three times is the normal requirement, unless of course it is so bad we can call it on one visit.”

Cllr Curry will report back to the Council with further information.

**b) Radnorshire Steam Roller**

Cllr Curry reported that this has been an ongoing issue for many years. Cllr Curry received an email from PCC Legal Department.

Despite the legal team being in contact with the Company Secretary and Quarry Manager the Quarry had not commented.

However, they have now acknowledged receipt of the emails from PCC and it has now been passed to the Legal Department of the Quarry and await their reply.

Cllr Harris had confirmed he would be happy to provide under cover accommodation for the Steam Roller and living van in his unit.

Cllr Curry will await further contact.

**c) Potholes**

Cllr Lewis reported potholes along the lane to Cefnlllyn opposite the tip site. The Clerk will report these to Cllr Johnson-Wood.

**d) War Memorial Service**

The Chair laid the wreath at the War Memorial on 13<sup>th</sup> November. She wanted her thanks to Paul Nally who carried out the Remembrance Day service recorded within the minutes. Dolau Chapel attendees laid their wreaths afterwards.