

Minutes of a Hybrid Meeting of Nantmel Community Council on Thursday 16th November 2023 in Llanyre Hall

Present: Cllr A Bates, P Bowen, J Morgan, L Walton -Powell, J Harris, K Curry

Apologies: Cllr R Lewis

NC 102/23 Declarations of Interest
None.

NC103/23 Minutes
The Minutes the Annual meeting held on 19th October 2023 were confirmed and signed.

NC 104/23 Information from Minutes
a) Hidden Dip – Caerfagu Junction A44
Members were delighted to report that these works were carried immediately following the last meeting. PCC are to be thanked for acting so quickly to this request.

NC 105/23 Planning
None.

NC 106/23 Correspondence
a) Llandrindod Area Twinning Association – Grant Application
Resolved: to not allocate a grant.

b) Powys County Council – Gaufron Streetlight
Powys County Council has agreed to install a solar light subject to the Community Council purchasing the kit at £1500.

It was agreed to ask PCC for confirmation that the power cable is still in place and if there is a possibility of re-connecting it and replacing the lamp.
Resolved: to contact Street Lighting asking this question.

NC 107/23 Finances
a) Vision ICT – Website - £180.60 - approved
b) RBL Poppy Appeal - £40 - approved
c) Zoom - £47.96 - approved
d) National Pay Award – Clerk
Notification of the national pay award was circulated to members.
Resolved: to agree the pay award and back pay from 1st April 2023.

- NC 108/23 Precept 2024/25 – Set Budget**
Members worked through the budget lines individually, giving consideration to monies held within reserves. In view of the proposal to build a new Community Hall the precept was increased to £14262 based on Band D product of £361.15 equating to £39.49 per household.
Resolved: to set the above budget.
- NC 109/23 Iman Casings**
Cllr Curry reported that he had been informed that no Appeal had been received. He will report back at the next meeting.
- NC 110/23 Radnorshire Steamroller**
Cllr Curry had sent a list of questions and provided information to Cty Cllr Jake Berriman. Cty Cllr Berriman had thanked Cllr Curry for his helpful comments and he is taking advice on this matter. The Council would wish to see the Steam Roller and Living Van remain in Radnorshire.
- NC 111/23 Broadband Project**
Cllr Curry reported on 2 recent meetings, however, little progress seems to have been made. Open Reach are submitting a proposal for 2100 properties within Rhayader, Painscastle, Pant y Dwr, Beguildy and New Radnor.
- NC 112/23 Nantmel Hall**
It was agreed to hold an Open Day to display plans and obtain feedback at Dolau Chapel on Saturday 27th January 2024 from 10am – 4pm.

The Clerk will confirm availability with the Chapel and will work with Cllr Curry on the supporting information to be provided, comments sheets and a form for residents to sign stating they would be happy with the Community Council using its funds to work towards to building of a new Community Hall.
Resolved: Open Day and supporting information to be arranged for Saturday 27th January 2024.

The Clerk will run past the Community Council’s proposals past One Voice Wales.
- NC 113/23 County Councillors Report**
None.
- NC 114/23 Other Matters**
a) Remembrance Day
Cllr Curry had attended the village service, which was reasonably well attended. The Chair laid a wreath at the war memorial on behalf of the community.