

Minutes of the CCC Virtual AGM held on Tuesday 16 May 2023

PRESENT Ctrs Phillips, Morgan-Evans, R Morgan, Davies, Rippin, Bentley and Cty Clr Jones. One member of the public was also present. Clr R Morgan chaired the meeting

APOLOGIES Clr T Buckler

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 2021-2022 AGM

The Minutes were confirmed as a true and accurate record.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT FOR 2022-2023

The Chairperson thanked all Community Councillors, the Clerk and the newly-re-elected County Councillor David Jones for their ongoing commitment and support over the last year especially as the number of community councillors had been reduced from 11 to 7 members.

CCC has continued with its Zoom meetings apart from 3 'hybrid' meetings. Owing to the reduction in the number of councillors, it seemed more sensible to go back to Zoom meetings especially through the winter months and the fact that 4 councillors are in full-time employment with 2 semi-retired and 1 retired councillor. This made it easier for councillors to attend Zoom meetings instead of having to leave home again after the possibility of coming home late from work. With the government-led reduction in the number of councillors, it is possible it could be more difficult to achieve a quorum for every meeting.

The Clerk had submitted the Council's audit for 2021-2022 on time with all deadlines met, but an opinion from Audit Wales was not received until the 26 January 2023, after CCC's request for the 2023-2024 Precept had been submitted to comply with MCC's deadlines.

Crucorney Community Councillors activities and achievements during 2022-2023 have been:

1. Provision of a new roundabout and swings frame for the children's play area with a very favourable response from parents and children;
2. Continued internal upgrading and improvement at Pandy Village Hall which had comprised the following: installation of an automatic flush in the Gents, the installation of a new curtain track and accessories for the stage curtains, new locks and fire alarms following a fire safety report, new eco-friendly, energy-saving LED lighting, the boarding out of the foyer loft area, a safety rail for the stage steps and repairs to a fire door and a kitchen cupboard door, a new dishwasher for the bar area and a new microphone to enable 'hybrid' meetings in the Hall if needed.

3. The installation of new fencing to the front of the Hall car park together with the erection of new fencing around the notice board and shrubbery area near to the entrance to the Hall car park.
4. Safety screening for the new oil tank.
5. A PAYE system set up for the Clerk's salary.
6. 2 donations given to Llanvihangel Crucorney Primary School, a donation to the Abergavenny foodbank and a donation to the MCC Summer Play Scheme.
7. Liaison with MCC representatives along with County Councillor Jones re the ongoing saga of road conditions at Dan y Bwlch and the parking area in front of the local primary school.

The Chairperson stated that she had enjoyed her position and it was always a pleasure to work with all councillors and the Clerk who give up their time to deal with issues and to improve facilities for the community.

ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON FOR 2023-2024

Clr R Morgan was elected unanimously.

ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRPERSON 2023-2024

Clr R Morgan-Evans was elected unanimously.

ELECTION OF THE CCC REPRESENTATIVE FOR ONE VOICE WALES MEETINGS 2023-2024

Clr R Morgan was elected unanimously.

CONFIRMATION OF THE CLERK AS CCC'S REPRESENTATIVE ON THE GOVERNING BODY OF LLANVIHANGEL CRUCORNEY

Councillors confirmed the Clerk as their representative on the above body.

CONFIRMATION OF THE CCC'S REPRESENTATIVE ON THE PANDY HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Clr R Morgan and the Clerk were confirmed as CCC's representatives on the above body

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

1. Councillors conformed that they would continue to observe the Code of Conduct (Local Authority's Model of Conduct (Wales) as amended, April 2016, updated May 2021).
2. Councillors conformed that they would continue to observe the NALC Model Standing Orders 2018 (Wales).
3. Councillors confirmed that they would continue to observe the NALC Model Financial Regulations 2016 (Wales).

4. Community Councillors confirmed that they did not wish to accept any IRP Payments for 2023-2024.
5. Councillors thanked the Chairperson for her dedicated commitment to her role.
6. The Clerk thanked the Chairperson for her patience, advice and support over the last year.

S G Cooper (Clerk)