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Llanhennock Community Council Meeting Held on Tuesday 06 November 2018

Present Chairman Waters, Cllr Heath, Cllr Morgan, Cllr McLeod, Cllr Williams, Cllr Young and Clerk Thomas.

Apologies Cllr Chivers, Cllr Thomas, County Cllr Clarke.

Declarations of interest None

Members of the public present None

Minutes of the last meeting Approved Cllr Morgan

Seconded Cllr McLeod

Matters Arising

1116/18 Water and damage to Llanhennock Hill

The Highways Department have confirmed receipt of an email requesting an immediate review of the running water and holes in the road.

1117/18 Lime Kiln, Llanhennock

Cllr Heath has been unable to contact the land-owner. Cllr Heath will continue to try and discuss this matter with the land-owner and will provide an update at the next meeting.

1118/18 Ward Notice Boards

The Clerk confirmed John Williams, Carpenter has now assessed work required on the ward notice boards and will begin work as soon as possible.

In addition, John Williams will provide a quote to replace the small back gate at St Johns Church, Llanhennock. The Community Council will contribute towards this work.

Correspondence

1119/18 Correspondence from St Johns Church, Llanhennock and St Andrews Church, Tredunnoch

The Community Council received letters of thanks in respect of the £400 donations provided to St Johns and St Andrews in November 2018.

Reports

1120/18 Enforcements Report

Report received but no issues raised for Llanhennock, Tredunnoch or Llangattock Nigh Caerleon.

1121/18 Prison Report

Cllr Young confirmed he attended the HM Prison Usk & Prescoed Liaison Meeting.

Cllr Young noted both establishments are at full capacity with 270 inmates in Usk and 260 in Prescoed. Both Prisons were recently granted Level 4 status following a Prison Audit review.

Next year HM Prison Usk will celebrate its 175 anniversary.

Cllr Young was pleased to confirm the Carpentry Department at the Prison is now open again and accepting work/commissions. The Chairman confirmed he would bear this in mind for further work requirements across the wards.

Finance

1122/18 Balance

Current balance £5568.09

1123/18 Cheques Raised

October 2018 and November 2018 payslips were approved and signed by Chairman/Councillors in respect of Clerk fees, to the value of £92 per month. Cheque request slips were completed and signed by the Chairman and Cllr Morgan.

1124/18 Revised Budget

Councillors noted the current reserves and discussed potential spend on the Village Hall project. The donation figure will be finalised and approved by all Councillors at the next meeting.

The Budget was reviewed in line with this contribution and anticipated spend for other projects. In addition, Councillors noted an increase in spend in respect of HMRC payments and Accountants Fees. An accruals section has also been added to the budget for future projects/community donations.

Planning

None received.

Local Matters

1125/18 Continued Unkempt/uncut verges and Hedgerow at Cwrt Farm Water Works

Chairman Waters confirmed the bollards at the reservoir lay-by remain broken, enabling access to the area. In addition, the verges and hedgerows have not been cut or tidied as promised by the Business Improvement Manager at the site in May 2018.

Clerk Thomas circulated a letter, escalating the matter to Mr Perry, Director of Water Operations for Cwrt Farm Water Works. The Chairman and Councillors approved the letter.

1126/18 Millennium Bench, Llanhennock

Cllr Young noted youths have had a fire at the above site – leaving embers, debris and litter. The Chairman confirmed this should be reported to PC Evans. However, Councillors agreed this was unlikely to prevent young people using the area for anti-social behaviour. Matter to be reviewed at the next meeting.

Any Other Business

1127/18 Young Farmers Bonfire

Cllr Heath confirmed he is hosting the Young Farmers Bonfire at Great House Farm on Wednesday 07 November 2018.

1128/18 Llanhennock Village Hall Committee - Expression of use letter

Mr Muir has asked the Community Council to provide a letter confirming how and why the Council use the Village Hall. This will support grant applications in respect of the refurbishment project for Llanhennock Village Hall.

Cllr Chivers will provide the Council with an update on this project at the next meeting.

1129/18 St John Church, Llanhennock – Front Gates

Clerk Thomas to contact Morgan Davies regarding waxing of the gate.

Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place on Monday 07 January 2019, 7 pm in Llanhennock Village Hall.