Llanbister Community Council General Meeting minutes

**Date:** Thursday 12th January 2023 T**ime: 7:30**pm **Venue:** Community Hub

 **1. Apologies received:** Wayne Bowen,

 **2. Members Present:**  Catherine James (Chair), Tracy Lewis (Vice-Chair), Geoff Morgan,

 Darren Rogers, Gareth Bowen, Marc Williams,

 David Horne (Clerk).

**3. Declaration of Interest. None**

**4. Minutes of the Last Meeting(s) –** Minutes of the December 2022 general meetin

 were previously circulated to all councillors. It was agreed they were a true record.

 Proposed by Tracy Lewis and seconded by Geoff Morgan. Duly signed

 By Chair along with the amended minutes from the October general meeting.

**5. Matters Arising from Minutes-**

 a. Llanbister Road AED signage. Clerk is waiting for a quote for the installation of the green

 Phone box signsto be installed. Following discussion it was proposed by Darren Rogers

 and seconded by Geoff Morgan that we get the signs installed. Clerk will make enquiries

 locally and obtain a price. He will communicate this to members via messenger to seek

 approval of the cost. Once this is complete a public opening ceremony can be arranged to

 officially open the facility, alongside the lectern at the memorial. Clerk to action.

 b. Standing Orders and Financial Regulations. These were reviewed by councillors at an

 extra meeting. The Standing Orders and Financial Regulations are good to go and need to

 be adopted. It was proposed by Geoff Morgan and seconded by Gareth Bowen that both

 Documents be adopted tonight. Agreed by all members. Chair signed and dated both

 documents

 c. The grant application for 2022/23 has been submitted in accordance with decisions made in

 December

 d. **Website issues: The council website has been down for about 2 months and the host away**

 **for most of that. While he was a way and unable to do anything about it, the server hosting**

 **company decided to disconue our service. A lot of data, including ours going back 5 years,**

 **was wiped. On his return he has managed to restore a lot of detail from an old backup file**

 **and since then Clerk has restored much of the 5 years data. The site is now back up and we**

 **are assured that a quarterly backup will be made to prevent such a large loss in future.**

 **He has provided invoices for the past 2 years fees plus this years and will provide his**

 **service free of charge in future**

 **6. Planning –**  Receive planning decision notices for 28th November to 25th November and

 12th December 2022 to 6th January 2023. These have been previously

 forwarded to councillors.

 **7. Correspondence**

 **a. Receive information regarding the coronation of King Chrles III**

 **8. Business to be transacted -**

 a. Budget setting. After examining the books the Responsible Finance Officer (RFO) has

 concluded the accounts are in a very healthy condition with an estmated reserve of £8,098

 going forward. He recommended to council that the precept could be either lowered for

 2023/24 to keep the reserves down or keep the precept at the same amount and spend a

 significant amount before the end of financial year.

 **Following discussion it was decided to set the precept at £6927 and to spend a**

 **significant amount on a project. Proposed by Darren Rogers and seconded by Geoff**

 **Morgan. All members agreed. It was suggested that Clerk make enquiries regarding a new**

 **notice board to go outside the hub. Clerk to action**

 **b. Website hosting fees for 2020/21, 2021/22 and 2022/23 need to be paid as per invoices.**

 **Chair counter signed the invoices**

 **9. Finance - Balances as at 5th January 2023**

  **Savings Account - £ 1,078.66**

  **Income (as part of above balance) – 0**

 **Community Account - £10,227.33**

  **Income (as part of above balance) - £2,309 (3rd Precept payment)**

 **Outgoings as part of the above balance –**

 £147.41 Clerks salary (December)

 £5 Account charge (December)

 **10**. **School Goverors Report. There was nothing new to report since the last meeting**

**11. Community Hall / Hub Report. Clerk informed all that there is a page on the council**

 **website dedicated to the hall and hub. It was suggested that someone from the hall**

 **committee could put some information together, including an online booking form, to go**

 **on the page. In the meantime council were updated on new events such as beer and bowls**

 **and the usage of both facilities is encouraging.**

**12. Any Other Business.**

1. Coronation of King Charles III. The information regarding the coronation was regarding

commenmorative mugs for the event. They seem expensive so Clerk will look into other

items on the market as a comparison. Also Geoff Morgan has access to a printing facility

 which would enable us to print our own design(s) on blank mugs. At the next governors

 meeting he will discuss the possibility of the school children designing their own logos.

 This will be discussed in March.

 It was decided to mark the occasion of the coronation by holding a party on Sunday 7th

 May 2023. It will be more cost effective to supply food for the party like we did for the

 Jubilee last year. Clerk has been asked to enquire about the cost and availability of a

 local band for the evening. The hall will run a bar.

b. There is asome flooding across the road up on Cefn caused by a collapsed. Clerk to

 action a report to Powys CC. Marc Williams will send a photograph to clerk

**Date of Next meeting - Thursday 16th March 2023. In the Community hall/hub**