Llanbister Community Council General Meeting minutes

**Date:** Thursday 16th March 2023 T**ime: 7:30**pm **Venue:** Community Hub

 **1. Apologies received:**  **Catherine James. Gareth Bowen**

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

 Wayne Bowen, Marc Williams, David Horne (Clerk).

**3. Declaration of Interest. None**

**4. Minutes of the Last Meeting(s) –** Minutes of the January 2023 general meeting

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

 Proposed by Darren Rogers and seconded by Tracy Lewis. Duly signed

 by Chair

**5. Matters Arising from Minutes-**

 **1. Llanbister Road AED signage, The new signs are now in situ. Clerk has paid the invoice as**

 **approved previously. We can now proceed to arrange a public unveiling of this facility and**

 **the memorial lectern.**

 **2. Garreg Lloyd Wind farm grant. This has been approved and following some delay we have**

 **now received the grant monies, £1980, and all contractors have been notified so works can**

 **proceed.**

 **3. Coronation of King Charles. The date has been set for 7th May 2023. We will hold a street**

 **or open air party (weather dependent) in the afternoon with evening entertainment and food**

 **and a bar. Clerk has made enquiries regarding a band and it is available on the date and**

 provisionally booked for the evening. The fee is £200.

 4. Section 5.7 Financial regulations approval. As mentioned to councillors previously, Council

 can pre-approve expenditure on planned items without Clerk having to seek prior approval

 before each item is due. These items occur annually and and must be paid. Clerk has

 Prepared a form. Each item needs to be signed in advance by 2 approved signatories. Clerk

 must report council after each item has been paid and sign the proforma. To be confirmed in

 May

 5. Reducing reserves. As discussed in January our reserves are quite high and likely to draw

 adverse comment from Audit Wales. Now we have the grant money we could mitigate some

 of the reserve by purchasing a dedicated council notice board to be mounted on the external

 wall of the community hub. Clerk has looked into costings. The council looked all the

 Literature Clerk provided and decided to purchase one from Greenbarnes. One or

 Amendments were made reducing the cost. Instead of Llanbister Community County on the

 header we are opting for Llanbister CC. 2023The cost is £1652.02 (inc VAT). Proposed by

 Marc Williams and seconded by Wayne Bowen. Clerk to action

6. King’s coronation. The date of the street party is set for 7th May at 3.30pm in the afternoon.

 Catering will be on similar lines to the jubilee last year, clerk will send copies of receipts to

 Darren Rogers and Geoff Morgan so they know what quantities to purchase. We have

 allowed for £700 which can come out of existing reserves. This will also cover the cost of a

 band for the evening - Outlaws of Babylon which is £200. This is booked for 9pm.Clerk will

 look to purchase new bunting and some paper plates

 **6. Planning –**  Receive planning decision notices for 9/1/23-20/1/23, 23/1/23-3/2/23,

 6/2/23-17/2/23 and 20/2/23-3/3/23. These have been previously

 forwarded to councillors.

 **7. Correspondence. None received**

 **8. Business to be transacted - Approval of annual donation to Llanbister Community Hall.**

 **Discussed and agreed that we donate £650 and review for an incease for the next year.**

 **Proposed by Darren Rogers and seconded by Marc Williams**

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

  **Savings Account - £ 1,081.18**

  **Income (as part of above balance) – £2.52p**

 **Community Account - £9,630.42**

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

 **Outgoings as part of the above balance – £150 - Website management**

 £5 - Account charges

 £147.41 - Clerk's salary

 £110.60 - HMRC PAYE

 £147.41 - Clerk's salary

 £5 - Account charges

 £31.49 - Clerk's expenses

 **10**. **School Governors Report. Nothing to report**

**11. Community Hall / Hub Report. Tracy lewis reported steady progress with beer and bowls**

 **Having steady attendance as well as Catch Up Club, Fitness classes and live streaming of the**

 **Six Nations rugby.**

**12. Any Other Business.**

1. Decide on provisional date(s) for unveiling of AED and lectern and who to invite. Some

time in April or May for both. Invite school and press for memorial, press for AED.

Daye to be set when better weather is about - May or June. Invitations to be sent to

 County Times, School, PAVO and War Memorials Trust.

 b. It was suggested that we try and get a flagpole(s) installed at the memorial with a Union

 and / or Welsh flag. Clerk to investigate funding.

**Date of Next meeting - Thursday 4th May 2023 following the annual meeting. Community hub**