

Cyngor Cymuned Manafon Community Council

Minutes of meeting of the Manafon Community Council held at New Mills Village Hall on Wednesday 6th June 2018 at 7.30 p.m.

Cllr J. Hall (Chair) welcomed everybody to the meeting.

Present – Cllr. J. Hall (Chair), Cllr. R. Benyon, Cllr. I. Prentice, Cllr C. Davies, Cllr. A. Lewis, Cllr. T. Jerman, Cllr. J. S.Davies, Cllr. H. Hulme, Mrs C Pritchard (Clerk) + 2 members of the public.

Apologies (022) - Nil

Declaration of Interest (023) - Nil

Minutes of the last meeting (024) – It was proposed and seconded to sign the minutes dated May 2nd 2018 as a correct record, following two small corrections.

Matters Arising (025) –

Can the river generate Hydroelectricity? – Cllr. Hall updated the council on this matter, to be able to start the feasibility study, must have proof of support first. However, there is uncertainty whether or not the river has enough fall to be able to create the electricity, this was being looked in to and will be confirmed at a later date. GDPR – Cllr. I. Prentice was unable to attend the course in Newtown as it was full, but had attended a One Voice Wales meeting and was told that they would be releasing more information in due course. The Council agreed to wait and see what information was released before making any further decisions.

Correspondence Received (026)–

NHS 'Future Fit' – The consultation is now open and will last for 14 weeks, Councillors and members of the public are urged to take part in the consultation.

Finance (027) -

Payments –

Mrs. C. Pritchard (Salary) – £543.68

PAYE - £116.80

It was proposed by Cllr. C. Davies and seconded by Cllr. I. Prentice that all invoices be accepted and paid.

Internet Banking (028) – The Clerk requested authorisation from the Council to register for internet banking. All in favour.

Highways (029) – The pot holes by Cefn Bach had been filled in and the fence at Trem Hirnant repaired with a no fly tipping sign erected.

Cllr. C. Davies thought it would be helpful if Aled Davies would carry out a visit. Cllr. Davies was happy to take Aled around and show him current issues. Clerk to e-mail Aled Davies at Powys County Council.

From Manafon heading towards Pantyffridd, turn left before Glyn Gogan Hall SY21 8BJ up towards Tan Rhallt. Water has caused severe damage to the road surface.

Heading towards Manafon from New Mills, just beyond the junction for the U2404 the road is sliding away.

Heading towards New Mills on the B4389 just below Belan Pitch culverts are blocked on the corner.

Planning (030) - Nil

Representative Reports (031) –

One Voice Wales – Cllr. Hall and Cllr. Prentice had recently attended a OVW meeting. There is still a lot of money in the war memorial fund and Councils are being urged to make use of it.

OVW have seven members of staff and currently 83% of Councils are members, they are encouraging Councils to 'sell what they do well' to others.

They had been advised that if councillors are not accepting the new financial regulations stated in the IRPW report, individual members must write letters to this effect. It was agreed that the Clerk write a standard letter and circulate at July's meeting.

New Mills Village Hall – Some time ago the Council had approached the village hall committee regarding putting wi-fi in. The hall committee have asked for an update. The Council asked the Clerk to make this a agenda item for July.

County Councillor's Report (032)-

Tregynon Mobile Phone Mast - A decision was announced on 14 May which went against the decision of Powys County Council and the appeal decision was granted based on the development will not have a detrimental impact the residents close to the site.

Future Fit Consultation - The future fit consultation is now in place until 4 September 2018 and it is important we have our say about where we want our hospital services to be based with the preferred option being Royal Shrewsbury Hospital to become the Emergency Care site including women and children's inpatient services and Princess Royal Hospital in Telford to provide planned care services.

Apprentice Opportunities with PCC - New opportunities being offered in the council through apprenticeship schemes. New apprenticeship opportunities in highways have recently been advertised.

Summer Ground Maintenance - Outside 30mph will be cut once a year between June/July. Mainly carried out by PCC/Jimmy Hughes Services Limited.

Urban Villages within a speed restriction – cut 4 times per year, improvement on last year.

Housing Estates – Cut between 6 or 10 per year carried out by PCC/Greenfinger

Welsh Ambulance Trust, Powys - Ambulance performance for May. Red calls which have a target time of 8 mins. There were 27 calls during the month. 22 were answered in less than 15 mins. The longest waiting time was 22.49 mins. This equates to a 68% performance level which is above the Welsh governments 65%.

They have just piloted an Advanced Paramedic based in Welshpool Minor Injury Unit. This worked exceptionally well.

Commemoration of the end of the First World War (033) – The Council agreed to carry out the event, in the village hall over two days. Saturday 10th November & Sunday 11th November. Clerk to book the hall for these two dates.

The Council agreed that an invite should be put in the next messenger to invite any members of the public to help or if they have any memorabilia that may be relevant to the event.

Social Evenings (034) – The Council agreed to re-look at Social evenings at September meeting with a view to them re-starting in October.

Clerk's Salary (035) – The Council noted the Clerk's pay increase as of April 1st 2018. All in favour.

Annual Governance Statement (036) – The Annual governance statement was read out and signed by Cllr. J. Hall. Clerk to forward all completed documents to the external auditor.

To confirm the next meeting will be held at New Mills village hall on Wednesday July 4th at 7.30 p.m.