

# Llanfihangel Rhydithon Community Council

## Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Llanfihangel Rhydithon Community Council held in grounds of the Community Hall on Thursday 23rd July 2020 commencing 7.30pm

**Present:** Cllrs R Watkins (Chair), E Newman, R Shelton, R Stuart-Lyon, D Lewis, R Thomas + one member of the public

**1 Apologies for absence:** None

**2 Declarations of interest:** None

**3 The Minutes** of the meetings held on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2020 and the Extra Ordinary Meeting on 20 May 2020 were read, approved and signed by the Chair

**4 Matters arising from the above Minutes:** With the Covid 19 restrictions it was noted an Annual Meeting had not been held in May. The accounts for the year had been approved but the positions of Chair and Vice-chair had not been confirmed. The Acting Clerk was requested to establish if it was a statutory requirement to hold an Annual Meeting and if required to schedule this in the coming months.

### **5 Correspondence:**

- Email request from Dolau Recreation Association for support towards the cost of a Covid 19 photo shoot of households in Dolau. The cost of the project was £270. Cllr D Lewis proposed that the Community Council makes a 50% contribution which was seconded and unanimously approved.
- Email request from Bowel Cancer UK for support. Matter to be deferred pending the adoption of a strategy for support to charities – agenda item 8 refers.
- Emails received raising a complaint with regard to procedures concerning the council. The original complaint was responded to but further issues have been raised. Chairman and Acting Clerk were asked to seek resolution of the matter.

### **6 Reports from representatives:**

- Dolau Recreation Association: Cllr Newman had nothing to report due to Covid 19 lockdown.
- Governing Body of the Llanfihangel Rhydithon Primary School: Report from Cllr D Lewis appended to these minutes.

### **7 Community Council Finance:**

- Bank balances: 3 July 2020 Current account balance was £1,541.09. Since May meeting £1,000 had been deposited with Robert Owen Community Bank and payments made in respect of Clerks salary. Money Manager a/c £1,215.15 - only small interest payment received in respect of this account

**8. Strategy for support to charities :** Cllrs E Newman and R Shelton agreed to be members of a working group to draft a strategy document regarding the award of grants to charitable groups as suggested at the last meeting.

**9 Planning applications:** [Ref. No: 20/1017/RES](#) : *Reserved matters application for planning permission P/2017/1389 (18/0447/NMA) in relation to the erection of a dwelling and garage at Plot 1 | Plot 1 Adj To The Manse Dolau Llandrindod Wells Powys LD1 5TW*

Members noted that orientation of the proposed dwelling varied from that shown on the block plan approval P/2017/1389. The block plan as approved indicated three new dwellings with ridgelines running east-west in sympathy with the ridge line of the Manse, an existing dwelling. The new application shows the orientation of the proposed dwelling on plot 1 running north-south and a gable end facing the lane.

It was considered that the development scheme should respect its context. It was noted that within the Tan House area a number of buildings were designed with hipped roofs – Tan House Chapel, Community Hall, School, School House plus other new properties and it was suggested that the proposed dwelling on plot 1 would look more in keeping if designed with a hipped roof. A hipped roof design would enable the roof line on the elevation seen from the lane to be in sympathy with the roof line of the Manse which is located next to it.

**10 Any Other Business (At Chairman's discretion): None**

**11 Date of next meeting:** *Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2020 or in the event of urgent business Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> August*

M R Shelton  
Acting Clerk

**Report from representative on Governing Body of the Llanfihangel Rhydithon Primary School**



**Llanfihangel Rhydithon CP School**

**~Dolau~**

School is now in its 4<sup>th</sup> week back after closing due to COVID-19. 30 of the 34 pupils returned to school for at least one visit per week to **“Check in, Catch up and Prepare for Summer and September”**. As well as these visits, children leaving this year have had the opportunity to visit high school. Preparing for opening was a long process that involved risk assessing all staff, the building and activities. Measures were put in place to safeguard all returning whilst continuing home and online learning for those not in school.

The school year closes this Friday with 4 children leaving to continue their learning at Ysgol Calon Cymru in September. In September the school has 7 new children starting which takes the school roll up to 37. In September all pupils will return to school full time. Plans are in place for this return including an increase in daytime cleaning to keep the school sanitary for children and staff and plans are also in place to continue distance learning should another lockdown become necessary.

There will be a slight change to staffing in September as Mrs Ingram is leaving to take up her post as Assistant Headteacher at Gladestry School. Miss Bates who teaches part time in school will have her hours increased to cover the vacancy.

The school portacabin is having major internal works carried out over the summer. Cylch Meithrin, Dolau have secured a grant to turn the mobile into a permanent re-school space. The works will include installing a kitchen, toilets and purposing the space for 3 year olds. The Cylch committee runs the Cylch but Mr Shearman, Headteacher, now sits on the committee.

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