

Llanfihangel Rhydithon Community Council

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Llanfihangel Rhydithon Community Council held via Zoom on Thursday 18th March commencing at 7:45pm.

Present: Cllrs R Watkins (Chair,) E Newman, R Shelton, R Stuart-Lyon, C Watkins.
County Cllr Hywel Lewis

1. Apologies for absence: D Lewis, R Thomas

2. Declarations of interest: None

3. The minutes of the meeting held 21st January were read, approved and will be signed by the Chairman.

4. Matters arising from the minutes: There were no matters arisen from the minutes.

5. Correspondence:

- Email received from a Mr N Dodman regarding the handling of declarations of interest in council meeting- this was discussed by the councillors. They noted that any future large-scale developments could exclude all from voting and discussing on issues. The email was noted and will be thought about in any future large scale planning applications.
- Email received from Natural Resource Wales regarding illegal off roading through Radnor forestry. NRW Asked the local councils to help them monitor and report any illegal activity. The council gives full support to this issue.

6. Highways:

- Dangerous trees near Underhill Farm- County Cllr H Lewis reported that the council are waiting for an environmental report to be completed before any work is to be carried out.
- Roads- Reports that local highways are not up to a reasonable standard. Councillors urge members of the community to report any highway that is not up to a reasonable standard to report them via Powys County Councils complaint procedure online. Councillor Shelton had reported a highway using the PCC online complaint procedure and was very pleased with the fast response.

7: Reports from Representatives:

- Dolau Recreation Association: Cllr Newman reported that the DRA are holding various easter activities, including a village walk. The hall has been booked for the forthcoming election. The DRA have received a lot of money from grants.

8. Community Council Finance:

- The Clerk reported that HSB had eventually sorted out the signature issue and he was now able to sign cheques. Councillor Shelton pointed out the need to clear all outstanding payments before the end of the current financial year
- Accounts will be ready for councillors for the May meeting.

9. Llanfihangel Rhydithon School:

- No consultation has yet started and is thought to be starting Mid-June but could be earlier. The clerk will send a letter of support to the action group.
- There was a request for some financial support to help towards the fight to keep the school open. After discussion it was agreed that the council would help financially, however they would feel more comfortable paying towards the cost of an invoice or goods rather than a financial contribution.

10. Any other business:

- Sewage – County Councillor H Lewis received an email early Feb which agrees with Western Power to get electric to the new sewage plant. Mr & Mrs Bowen had written to the chief executive expressing their dissatisfaction in the handling of the whole matter.
- A resident in house number 1 Maes View, has shown interest in purchasing the property off the council. County Cllr Lewis has stated he could not support the proposal.
- Clerk laptop- The current laptop is dated- it was agreed to look to purchase a new laptop.

- **11. Date of next meeting:**

Thursday 20th May 2021 at 7.45pm with the Annual meeting being held first then a business meeting being held after.

D Price Clerk