

Present: Cllr. Ann Bowyer, Cllr. Jenny Carpenter, Cllr. Paula Clarke, Cllr Jan Clarke, Cllr. Colin Deakin, Cllr. Jo Storey, Cllr Helen May-Moebus.

Members of the public: County Councillors Tony Kear and Meirion Howells, Liz Crawford and Sally Roberts

The Chair welcome everyone to the meeting and thanked Cllr Paula Clarke for taking the minutes and Cllr Jenny Carpenter for acting as clerk in the absence of a clerk and RFO.

1. Public Meeting:

Liz Crawford lives near to Morris's garden centre and have concerns regarding traffic movements generated by the increase of traffic by increases in retail floorspace at the garden centre. She would like the speed limit reduced on the road to 30mph. Sally Roberts has concerns of flooding from groundwater by removing the greenhouses and replacing them with an impervious layer of car parking. They also had concerns that they had not been consulted on applications. Cllr P Clarke advised to sign up to My Monmouthshirealerts to check on current applications. The Council advised all concerned neighbours to write to the planning department individually to voice their concerns.

2. Sign the attendance book:

The attendance book was signed.

3. Apologies for absence:

Cllr Julian Bowes-Sargent and Cllr Lucy Ann Rands

4. Declaration of interest from members:

none

5. Adoption of Minutes:

Cllr Carpenter proposed to approve the minutes of LCC Ordinary meeting held on Wednesday 26th April 2022,

2022 seconded by Cllr P Clarke, all in agreement.

Cllr Carpenter proposed to approve the minutes of the Annual Statutory Meeting held on Wednesday 11th May 2022 seconded by Cllr Jan Clarke

6. Discussion with County Councillor

Both County Councillors expressed concerns regarding speeding and traffic issues

7. Matters arising from recent correspondence / new business

a. To Note Police Report

It was noted that the Police report should now include Little Mill and not Gwehelog, Cllr Carpenter to write to the police.

b. To receive update of noticeboard in Monkwood (near entrance to BAE)

Awaiting information from the Pathcare group.

c. To receive update on recruitment of new clerk

The Chair stated that the advertisement has been widely shared and had received 3 expressions of interest, it was agreed to let the advert run until the end of May. The Chair considered whether it was better to offer a salary scale rather than a single point, after discussion it was proposed by Cllr Bowyer that a salary scale be offered and seconded by Cllr Jan Clarke and agreed.

d. To receive update on siting of defibrillator at West Road Monkwood

Waiting for a reply from Michelle Arbour of BAE

e. To Consider arrangements for issuing email addresses for new councillors

It was proposed by Cllr Carpenter to change all email addresses to the Council's website host and to obtain IT support, seconded by Cllr Bowyer all agreed.

f. Noting of salary scale to payment for temporary clerk.

Agreed

g. To receive update on new Llanbadoc Island/ Cefn Ila Walk email 3rd May refers

Information from the ramblers was noted. The leaflets are done, path agreed, a section of path needs cutting back before walk can be opened.

h. Letter from local resident regarding traffic issues at Llanbadoc

LCC have already commented on the planning application

i. Submission to Usk and Raglan Diary News

Cllr Bowyer to progress

j. Together for Climate, meeting 7pm 25th May Royal British Legion email 11th March refers

Noted. County Councillor Howells advised that there will be a march on 11th June in Usk.

k. BAE systems, request for emergency contact details update

Cllr Carpenter to update list

l. Reminder to all Councillors to return their election expenses forms

Cllr Carpenter to share details

8. Planning

a. MCC enforcement cases [confidential] – to note information

Nothing to report.

b. Planning applications

- I Planning application DM/2020/00762 – refused as previous objection, proposed by Cllr Jan Clarke seconded by Cllr May-Moebus, all agreed
- II Planning application DM/2020/00763 – refused as previous objection, proposed by Cllr Storey seconded by Cllr P Clarke. **Action Cllr Clarke to write to MCC planning**

9. Finance

a) To approve pink paper for April and authorise payments.

Proposed by Cllr Storey and seconded by Cllr P Clarke all agreed

	£
Temporary Clerk N Awni	465.06
Merlin Environmental	28.17
Usk Valley Promotions	240.00
Bank Charges	5.00
Public Works Loan Board	400.71

Payments made during the month	£
Little Mill Village Hall	12.75
J Wright Refurb Glascoed Notice Board	40.70

b) To approve pink paper for May and authorise payments

Proposed by Cllr P Clarke and seconded by Cllr Bowyer, all agreed

	£
Merlin Environmental	101.40
One Voice Wales Membership	127.00
Bank Charges	5.00
Councillor Remuneration	32.06

- c) **To consider request for funding from Little Mill Party in the Parc**
Concerns were expressed regarding setting a precedent for the future and that Monkswood residents have not been invited. Cllr Jan Clarke proposed that it be approved as a one off, seconded by Cllr May-Moebus and agreed
- d) **To note arrangements for Little Mill playground**
The asset register has been updated. Waiting for a response from the insurer.
- e) **To receive update on internal audit for 2020/21**
The paperwork has gone to the auditor. The end of year balance of £11,289 at 31st March was agreed
- f) **To consider request from Ex Chair Peter Sutherland for payment of Chairs Allowance for years 20/21 and 21/22**
It was considered by the Council that it is too late to make payments from previous years. The Chair to write to Mr Sutherland

10. Reports from Advisory Groups

- a. **Procedural and Financial** – Cllr Carpenter, Cllr Hopkins, Cllr Jo Storey, Cllr Sutherland
Meeting to be arranged.
Induction training to be undertaken by new councillors
- b. **Environment** – Cllr Ann Bowyer, Cllr Paula Clarke, Cllr Judith Hopkin, Cllr Peter Sutherland
 - 1. The saplings have been planted at Llanbadoc Island.
 - 2. Cllr Bowyer to liaise with Judith Hopkins regarding woodland funding
 - 3. It was agreed that Phil Dye be engaged to carry out the tree surveys, proposed by Cllr Bowyer and seconded by Cllr Storey

11. Reports from representatives on other bodies.

- a. **One Voice Wales Monmouth/Newport Area Committee**
Nothing to add
- b. **Give Dog Fouling the Red Card working group**
Nothing to report

12. Options for Speed Reduction

County Councillor Kear to progress

13. Community Engagement

Ongoing

14. Matters to be considered for the next agenda

None received

15. Date of next meeting

Wednesday 8th June 2022, 6.00pm to 8.00pm.

Llanbadoc Community Council