

(iv) OVW Monmouth/Newport Area Committee Meeting - Cllr Williams reported that she had recently attended the above meeting which she found very interesting and informative. She informed Cllrs that this committee was made up of nominated representatives of Community Councillors. OVW asked whether LCC would like to nominate a person for this Committee. Cllrs Challenger and Morgan said it was a good idea to nominate someone from Llanvaches. Cllr Williams was happy to put her name forward to OVW

ACTION LW

(v) Standing Orders - Cllr Morgan was unable to attend the previous meeting when the Llanvaches Standing Orders had been discussed. She had now read through them and had a couple of concerns. Firstly Item 33 : Community Events – refers to an Events Sub-Committee. As LCC does not have such a Committee, she suggested that this be re-worded. Secondly Item 34 : Correspondence – reference is made to a Planning Sub-Committee. Again, as LCC does not have such a committee and Cllr Morgan would like this to be re-worded. Council agreed and Cllr Williams said she would propose amendments to the Standing Orders, to be approved at the September meeting.

ACTION LW

2463 FINANCIAL MATTER

Payment of Accounts – Payments Due and Payments Confirmed

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| 1. Clerks Salary July 2014 (by Standing Order) | 144.00 |
| 2. Tax Due: re Clerks salary July 2014 | 36.00 |
| 3. OVW – Training Course 18 June | 60.00 |
| 4. NCC – Ground Maintenance Quarterly Charge 1 April – 30 June 2014 | 262.70 |
| TOTAL | £502.70 |

Cllr Morgan proposed that the above payments be approved. Cllr Carlson seconded the motion and it was agreed unanimously.

(ii) Cash Book Report

The Clerk reported that opening balance 2 July 2014 was £19236.01 and again reminded Council that £10,388.00 of this was for Play Equipment. Payments up to 2 July of £1450.34 and receipts of £2,895.97 gave an overall cash flow of £1,445.63. The cash book was in the previous format and the Clerk said that she now had an updated format from the Auditor and that this would be used in future.

(iii) 2014/2015 Precept and Concurrent Grant Update – The Clerk reported that the Annual Concurrent Grant from NCC of £1,700.00 had been credited to our Account on 16 June 2014.

(iv) Final Accounts 2013-14 – These had been issued to Cllrs. Cllr Williams proposed that these figures be approved. Cllr Carlson seconded the motion and it was agreed unanimously.

(v) Agree Annual Return – Our Internal Auditor had now received the current Asset Register figures which she approved. The Annual Return was now complete and will be submitted to Mazars immediately

ACTION LJ

2464 PLAYING FIELD MATTERS

(i) Weekly Inspection Report - The Clerk said there was nothing to report

(ii) Playground Inspection Report/Charges – The Clerk referred to the external inspection report that had been received and forwarded to all Cllrs prior to this meeting. It was noted that a bench and picnic table needed to be secured to the ground. The Clerk said that this work had been carried out twice previously but it appears they have become loose again. She would look into this. The Inspector had made the following recommendations that needed action

(a) Self Closing Gate – the gate does not close automatically and the gate return mechanism needs to be adjusted. It was agreed that the Clerk obtain a quote for this work. **ACTION LJ**

(b) Aerial Runway – the cableway to the Zip Wire should be removed and inspected every two years for any damage or internal rusting. The Clerk to obtain a quote for this work **ACTION LJ**

(c) Charges - The Clerk said she had received notification that the charge for The Annual Inspection would be increased from £60.00 to £72.00 due to one less park to be included in the shared cost. Cllr Morgan proposed that the increased charge be accepted. Cllr James seconded the proposal which was agreed unanimously.

2465 MATTERS OF LOCAL INTEREST OR CONCERN

(i) Playground Equipment – Cllr Williams reported that she had met with a local playground equipment supplier to obtain a quote for a wooden climbing frame. She had also asked for a quote for paths around the play field. Cllr Morgan said that she had looked at various potential sources of funding via the web. It appears we have missed this years allocation for BIFFA funding. Cllr Morgan passed on the information collected and agreed to help prepare our submission ready for next year. **ACTION LW**

2466 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Resident Mrs Ann Carlson asked for an update on her request for a defibrillator for the White brook/Gilfach area. The Clerk said she had made some enquiries and would pursue further. **ACTION LJ**

Resident Mr Ken Morgan referred to previous discussion regarding securing a picnic table and bench. He suggested that the Clerk speak to Penhow CC to establish how they secure their benches and if they have any problems with them being un-secured in ground. **ACTION LJ**

2467 PLANNING MATTERS

Recent Applications –

14/0401 Gilgal Cottage, Gilfach, Llanvaches : Demolition of porch and trailer shed and erection of single storey extension to front and detached garage – Cllr Morgan reported that NCC has granted planning permission with restrictions to protect any potential nesting birds and bats

14/0513 Whitebrook Farm, Whitebrook Lane, Llanvaches : Construction of a Manege with all Weather Surface – ongoing

14/0574 St Ives, Tabernacle Road, Llanvaches – Demolition of Conservatory, Erection of Porch, Single Storey Side/Rear Extension and Enlargement of Existing Driveway over access. LCC has no objection

Cllr Morgan said that she had received notification from NCC about the review of the LDP by the WAG inspector. NCC invited comments but that these are restricted to the 'Matters Arising Changes' made by the inspector. Cllr Morgan pointed out that there were no changes that affected Llanvaches. There was no new evidence about building proposals for on Long Meadow and village boundaries had not changed.

2468 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Cllr Williams said that OVV recommended that there should be no AOB at Community Council Meetings as no decisions can be made under any AOB. Cllr Morgan said that AOB was a good tool to have to flag up anything that was needed for next Agenda. Cllr Challenger suggested that the item is reworded from AOB to '*Further Comments for Future Consideration*', which was agreed.

Cllr Morgan referred to a letter from NCC regarding Fly Tipping. Consultation would take place until 29 August and suggested it might be worthwhile looking at this paper.

Cllr Challenger said he was pleased to see that the hedge clippings from the recent hedge cutting on Tabernacle Road had been cleared by a sweeper lorry.

2469 DATE OF NEXT MEETING :

Due to the August holiday period, there would be no meeting in August. The next meeting would take place on Tuesday 16 September 2014 at 7.00 p.m.

The Meeting closed at 8.20 pm

