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COMMUNITY COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT LLANOVER VILLAGE HALL & BY TELECONFERENCE ON MONDAY 14th OCTOBER 2024 @ 19.45**

**Present**: Community Councillors Nigel Morrey, Lewis Carter, Andy Barnes,   
Peter Daniel, Janet Robins and Scott Grayland.

**Guests:** Mr Mike Jones MBE, and Mr Stephen Peel - Goytre permanent War Memorial.

**In Attendance**: Jonathan Lazenby (Clerk).

**Apologies**: Community Councillor Owen Dodd and Community / County Councillor Jan Butler.

**Absent without Apology:** None.

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| 1 | **Apologies for Absence.**  As above. | Clerk |
| 2 | **Declarations of Interest.**  The Chair commenced by asking the members present whether they had any declarations of ‘interest’ to make, which includes previous declarations already made. No further declarations from the members were forthcoming. | Clerk |
| 3 | **Chairman’s Remarks.**  Councillor Morrey opened his comments by highlighting the progress which is now being made in installing the new play equipment in the park. In addition, he also commented on the newly renovated telephone box in Pencroesoped, which the CC supported with a donation to refurbish. Thanks went to Councillor Carter for his work on this. The Chair then formally welcomed everyone to the meeting, in particular, Mr Mike Jones MBE, and Mr Stephen Peel who will be presenting on the proposal for a permanent war Memorial in Goytre. |  |
| 4 | **Mike Jones MBE, Chair, Gwent RBL & Stephen Peel – Goytre Permanent War Memorial.** Mike Jones commenced his presentation by advising that he and Stephen had recently met with the Chair and Clerk on the site of the planned memorial to outline their proposal. He explained that the idea began some years ago with the installation of the silent soldier, at which time it was realised that there was no permanent memorial for the Goytre Fawr area. Mike referred to Richard Dowle, a local historian, who has meticulously researched and identified the names of 47 local residents who gave their lives in WW1, WW2, Malaya and subsequent conflicts.  A number of locations have been considered, but the small plot of land immediately outside the main park gate is the favoured spot, due to its visibility as people enter the village from the main road. Stephen has provided a significant amount of help in designing the monument and the planning process. They have a stonemason in Blaenavon, who will undertake the stone work for free. There will be four sides to the memorial, the one facing the road with ‘Goytre Fawr War Memorial’ and the inscription, ’At The Going Down Of The Sun: And In The Morning: We Will Remember Them’. This will also be in Welsh, and councillors felt that the war memorial title should similarly have a Welsh version. The other faces will have the names of the fallen from WW1/WW2/and post 1945 respectively.  Mike and Stephen have submitted a pre-planning application to MCC, but have heard nothing back as yet. It is proposed that the monument will be placed within two feet of the path by the park, to ensure it does not interfere with any sight lines for cars on Fairfield approaching the junction. This should enable people to gather around it, without encroaching onto the road. It will be composed of a medium grey stone, and will be 1.8m high. The total cost will be c£8000, of which £3252 has been raised so far, but, there will be a concerted push to raise the remaining funds as soon as planning is given.  The Chair thanked Mike and Stephen for their presentation, and advised that the CC will await the outcome of the pre-planning application. Councillor Barnes confirmed that the CC will be advised once full planning is submitted, as we are a statutory consultee in the process. |  |
| 5 | **Minutes.**   1. Approval of the Minutes of the meeting held on 9th September 2024**.** The minutes were proposed as a true and correct record by Councillor Daniel, seconded by Councillor Carter, and carried by all who were present at the September meeting (Councillor Grayland did not vote, having not been in attendance in September). | Clerk |
| 6 | **Matters Arising.**   1. Item 6 (i) – The Clerk has sent an email to Johnathan Wassal at MCC requesting the removal of the leaves from the bus shelter in Llanover. He will chase again if required. 2. Item 6 (ii) – The upgrade of the lights at the Olde Pounde Shop to LED, has now been undertaken. They look much smarter and are a worthwhile improvement to both the appearance and energy efficiency of the shop. 3. Item 6 (iii) – The Gents toilet door has now been replaced and the insurance monies (£135 net after our £250 excess) have been received. 4. Item 7 (iv) – Nantyderry fibre build project – latest numbers.  Pledging has now risen to 57%, still some way short, but a notable increase from last month’s 34%. 5. Item 17 - Unfortunately, we did not qualify for a grant to upgrade our CCTV (funding is reserved for digital connectivity), and so as instructed, the Clerk requested Tod Security to just install a new hard drive into the original recorder. This has now been completed. The initial cost was quoted at £220 plus VAT. However, we have received an invoice for £325.13 plus VAT, which the Clerk has queried. | Clerk |
| 7 | **Maintenance.** (including items previously reported, but not yet addressed).   1. Repairs to / replacement of Olde Pounde Shop side door Paul Lewis, having inspected the door, has recommended a complete replacement, at a cost of £1600. This is more than had perhaps been anticipated, and so the Clerk is to explore if there are cheaper alternatives. 2. The Clerk has had to replace the soap dispenser in the gents and the lock on the gent’s toilet door, both of which had been broken. 3. We have had a complaint from St Bartholomew’s, that a display of cyclamen flowers in the graveyard were strimmed away when the grass was recently cut. The Clerk has sent a text to the groundsman asking what has happened, but has not yet received a reply. Coincidentally, the tender process for the maintenance contract is due shortly. This is because our financial regulations require us to review all contracts every few years to ensure we are still receiving best value for money. This will also enable us to consider the best way to maintain the graveyard going forward. | Clerk  Clerk |

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| 8 | **Finance.**   1. Payments made since the September meeting.  **£**      1. Review of accounts / cashflow. The Clerk presented the meeting with a copy of the Sept 2024 cashflow.   He confirmed that the cashflow had been verified to the closing balances in the UTB statements at the end of July/Aug/Sept 2024, during the Finance Committee meeting on 8th October. Councillor Carter had signed the cashflow to confirm this, in accordance with section 2.2 of the Community Council Financial Regulations (Wales). There was no further comment or observation.   1. 2023/2024 External Audit - Outcome (if available). The Clerk was delighted to report that we have received another ‘unqualified’ audit, with the Auditor Manager confirming that there were no matters that he wished to draw to the council’s attention. The Auditors opinion, and ‘Completion of Audit Notice’ have been placed on the web site and both noticeboards. 2. 2025/26 budget – First draft.   The Clerk presented the following draft Budget (v3) for consideration.    The budget outlined above was considered at the recent Finance Committee meeting. Although explanatory notes are provided against each of the budget lines (generally, most changes are just inflationary increases, or represent a minor adjustment), the Clerk felt the following points were worthy of further comment for the benefit of full council:   1. **Clerk’s salary** -This is always difficult to estimate as the current year’s salary has not been finalised (no national agreement yet). The Clerk / RFO has, therefore, forecast a 3.5% increase on top of last year’s projected figure. Hopefully, this year’s national salary agreement will be confirmed before we sign-off on the budget. The final figure will also impact on the HMRC budget below (Tax & NI), but not to a great degree. 2. **Wages** - Next year’s minimum wage is forecast (according to UK Govt.) to be between £11.65 and £12.18, with a central projection of **£11.89,** which, with our standard margin, takes us to £11.98. For the moment the Clerk has rounded it up to £12 per hour. This figure will need to be reviewed after the budget on 30th October, when next year’s minimum wage will be confirmed. 3. **HMRC** – see comments under Clerk’s salary. 4. **Audit Professional Fees** – Has been reduced from £2125 to £1680.  This reflects the removal of the £1000 which was budgeted to cover the legal costs of the new lease on the OPS. However, the Clerk / RFO has increased our audit fee to £900, as we have a full transactional audit next year (we paid £700 two years ago).  There has also been a slight increase this year in the fees we pay to Beverley & Williams, which is reflected in the figure. 5. **Repairs / Renewals / Maintenance** – Clerk/RFO has asked for an exact price from MCC for the village maintenance contract.  In the meantime, last year’s costs have been increased by (an estimated) 5%, and the general sundry repairs budget doubled to £2000. The wildflower seeding budget (of £1000) has been moved to the recreation parks budget line, where it sits better. 6. **Donations** – Originally increased to £1500, this was further increased to £2000 on the previous suggestion of the Chair. This will give us more headroom to support good causes both locally and in the villages. 7. **Capital Items** – Increased to £2500 (from £500) to give us a little more leeway to purchase new equipment – potentially some benches for Llanover - dependent on what comes out of the proposed engagement survey. 8. **Recreation Parks** – We included £5000 last year, which should be spent once the new equipment is installed. £1000 has been added for re-seeding the wildflower bed(s) (transferred from Repairs/Renewals/Maintenance above).  Clerk / RFO will see if the overgrown wildflower bed can be re-planted as part of the green corridor project. 9. **Waste Collection –** We are still awaiting confirmation of next year’s costs from Merlin Environmental.  In the meantime, the Clerk / RFO has budgeted for an increase from £7.20 per bin empty to £7.50, which is just under a 4.5% increase. The additional cost of three (potential) bins for Llanover has also been included, in case of need.   The overall aim is to retain our reserves at circa 50% of the precept. An increase in the precept from £45k to £46K was originally included, which would represent a 2.2% increase (to match current inflation). Two other proposals were considered at the Finance Committee meeting on 8th October:   1. Increase the precept by £3000 (equivalent to 6.7%), which would leave a small surplus of c£258 (effectively a balanced budget). 2. Increase the precept by £5000 (equivalent to 11.1%). This would see us running a small budget surplus of £2,258, and provide the ‘wherewithal’ to fund additional initiatives.   For context, it was noted that an increase of £1000 is the equivalent of only 1.6p per week for each household based on a Band D property. After discussion, the Finance Committee suggested an increase in the precept of £3,000, to take it to £48,000, for consideration at today’s meeting.  It was agreed by council that the suggested budget outlined above should be the starting point for the iterative review. The Clerk will present an updated version at the next meeting. This will include relevant updates as draft budget line figures are confirmed. This will enable us to have formal sign off by December.   1. Payment of Councillor Allowances. The payment of the councillor allowances is now due. To date, three councillors have confirmed they do not wish to receive the payment, and three have confirmed they do. The latter have also confirmed that they are eligible to receive the monies tax free, by utilising the HMRC ‘Working from Home’ allowance. During the meeting Councillor Grayland confirmed his position, and the Clerk will send him a payment authority to complete. Both Councillors Morrey and Carter have also declined the Chair/Vice-Chair discretionary payment, which can be made to them in recognition of their position. 2. New Lease on Old Pounde shop.   The content of the new lease was confirmed to our solicitors, who subsequently forwarded it to the tenant’s solicitors. They have queried the clause which enables the CC to use its discretion if the standard rent review calculation results in what councillors consider to be an excessively large increase. This would, if anything, benefit the tenant during times of high inflation. Our solicitors have replied accordingly, and we await a response. | Clerk  Clerk  Clerk |
| 9 | **Planning.**   1. To accept the responses of the Planning Committee meetings held on 16th September.   The meeting covered the following applications:   * BBNPA: 24/23157/FUL - Ty Newydd Cottage, Croft Farm, Saron Road, Penperlleni NP4 8SD * BBNPA: 24/23137/FUL - Ty To Maen, Ancient Road, Llanover NP7 9ES * MCC: DM/2024/01084 - 2 Bryn Y Nant Cottages, Nant-y-derry Road, Nantyderry, Goytre, Monmouthshire, NP7 9DP * MCC: DM/2024/01076 - Barn Conversion Known as Oak Barn, Hendre Grange, Llanover, Monmouthshire NP7 9DG   There were no concerns with any of the applications, and these comments are contained in the minutes of the relevant meetings, which have been published on the web site. Councillor Barnes noted that DM/2024/01076 has now been approved by MCC, although all the others were still being considered by the relevant planning authority. Acceptance of the minutes of the meeting was proposed by Councillor Morrey, seconded by Councillor Daniel and carried unanimously.   1. Any other updates. Another planning meeting to consider application DM/2024/01223 (retrospective application for retention of timber fence - 80 Newtown Road, Penperlleni, Goytre NP4 0AZ), will be arranged in due course. | Cllr. Barnes |
| 10 | **County Council update – County Councillor Jan Butler.**  As Councillor Butler is unable to attend this evening’s meeting the following update was provided in advance to all councillors:   1. The **Revised Local Development Plan** (RLDP), will be coming to full council this week. As we are aware, there are a number of candidate sites around both Penperlleni and Llanover villages. The only site that is currently included in the development plan for Goytre Fawr is the continuation of ‘The Acres’ estate. It must be stressed that at this stage, it is only an **outline plan**. This should not be a surprise to anyone. MCC will be running a public consultation on the RLDP between 4th November and 16th December. This will be both online and at a public exhibition and drop-in sessions. These will be held at County Hall, Usk and Abergavenny Market Hall running in the afternoons 1:00 pm to 7:00 pm.   Dates yet to be confirmed. Goytre Fawr is classified as a secondary development area and therefore is included in the plan along with Raglan and Usk – each will have some smaller developments included; 120 homes in total. Those in Raglan are already going through the planning process.  An outline plan for Penperlleni has come forward from Edenstone Homes.  Their current proposal is for 49 properties of which 35% (17) have been agreed with the developer to be ‘affordable’. There will be a mix of 2,3 and 4 bedroom homes. Smaller homes are much needed in the village for both those entering the housing market and those at the other end wishing to down size. The plan includes landscaped parkland with a pond. The development will be accessed from a continuation of Trem yr Ysgol (buffer zone and stream unaltered).  It is very early days and there will be plenty of opportunities for residents and GFCC to engage in the process. Councillor Butler is meeting with Planning Officers on Tuesday, and may well have more to feed back after that.   1. **Recycling and waste collection.**   Some residents will imminently be receiving letters about recycling and waste collection. The final phase of changeover to the stronger polypropylene bags is being rolled out over the next few weeks, with the whole of Monmouthshire being completed before Christmas. To effect this change new pick-up vehicles were required (which are now in place); some residents will find they have a change in collection day too. The areas affected are in Goytre Wharf and Upper Llanover. Everywhere else has already gone over. With any change of service MCC expects a few teething issues. Any issues can be reported the My Monmouthshire App which is the quickest way to get the message through and will be monitored.  Most residents have adapted quickly thus far and now prefer the bags and appreciate the cut down on plastic waste. The yellow bag collection continues on black bag collection days.   1. **20 mph default.**   Councillor Butler is concerned that some of our 20 mph repeaters will be taken down. WG want them all to be removed now, as it’s a year since the 20-mph default came in. Residents and visitors alike are expected to know that in areas with streetlights and houses, the default is 20-mph (i.e. the whole of Goytre). Councillor Butler is sceptical on this, as on the roads coming into the village and on Capel Ed Lane in particular, this behavioural change has not yet happened. As a result, Councillor Butler is arranging to ‘walk the streets’ with officers shortly, and doesn’t want the repeaters on Plough Road, School Lane and Newtown Road taken down. Will also be asking to have the red road surface markers corrected too.  At the moment coming out of Capel Ed it warns you to slow to 20, which may make people think that the ‘coming in’ speed limit is still 30 mph.  Residents are understandably sensitive about this road as it was the site of a fatal accident of a child some years ago, when the limit was 40mph.  During the meeting councillors expressed their surprise at the proposed removal of the repeater signs and could not see the logic of such a move given the initial cost of installing them. |  |
| 11 | **Green Corridor Project.** Jane Clarke, at MCC confirmed today that the county council will include the existing wildflower beds in Goytre park within the Green Corridor project native planting scheme.  They are still in the process of project communication preparations, which requires the translation of all the site designs into Welsh, before uploading to the web site.  As soon as the webpage is live, she will send a link to share with the wider community. |  |
| 12 | **Trydani – Charge Place Wales (CPW) – Interest Shown and Next steps.**  This scheme has now been advertised on our Facebook page for c6 weeks, but to date has drawn very little interest. However, Councillor Carter acknowledged that he hadn’t had chance to ‘push it’ for a second time as he had planned. It was agreed therefore, that we would promote the scheme one last time, also emphasising the need for an administrator, (who we are told, experience has shown, is critical to its success). We will then review the situation again at the November meeting. | Cllr. Carter |
| 13 | **Goytre Recreation Park - update.** The two netball / goal ends have now been installed on the park field and the old (both permanent and temporary) goal posts have been taken down. Both of the new goal ends appear to be being extensively used, which is great news. The trim trail has been installed, and the MCC grounds team are actively working on installing the remaining equipment, much of which is now in position, although will require concreting in.  We are still waiting for clarification on exactly how much s106 money remains, as the latest total figure of available funding was quoted as £78,000, although Mike Moran (in emails dated 21st Feb and 21st May), had quoted funds of £79,682 and £80,000 respectively). The Clerk will chase for clarification. However, as we have £5,000 earmarked for the park, we believe that this should be enough to purchase two additional pieces of adult exercise equipment. | Clerk |
| 14 | **Appointment of CC representative to Goytre Fawr Primary Board of Governors.** Richard Morgan, Chair of Governors, has advised us that Councillor Daniel’s term of office as a ‘Minor Authority appointed Governor’ officially ends on 20th October 2024.  He has confirmed that Councillor Daniel has been an extremely valuable Governor, who has made a significant contribution to the Governing Body over the last four years, helping to shape the strategic direction of the school. As Chair of Governors, he wished to acknowledge the time Councillor Daniel has dedicated to his role, and the important link he has built between the school and the local community.  As an Estyn inspection is imminent, the school feels it would be helpful to have someone with some experience of governance in place, and Councillor Daniel has confirmed that he would welcome the opportunity to be reappointed.  Councillor Daniel confirmed his willingness to serve another term and his reappointment was proposed by Councillor Morrey, seconded by Councillor Barnes and carried unanimously.  Clerk to advise Richard Morgan so that he can inform The Educational Achievement Service (EAS) accordingly. For information, the next Full Governing Body meeting will be held online on Wednesday 4th December at 5pm. | Clerk |
| 15 | **Annual Report – sign off - Councillor Dodd.**  Unfortunately, Councillor Dodd is absent from this evening’s meeting and did not send through an updated report containing his foreword for his final year as Chair. To avoid any further delay to publication, the foreword has been completed by Councillor Morrey and was distributed to councillors in advance.  Acceptance of the report was proposed by Councillor Daniel, seconded by Councillor Barnes and carried unanimously. Clerk to publish on the web site. | Clerk |
| 16 | **Llanover Village.**   1. Play Area. Councillor Carter has held a positive meeting with Tom (Estates Manager at Llanover Estates), and relayed the CC’s position regarding the play equipment, asking the trustees to reconsider its removal. Response awaited. 2. Installation of dog bins. Councillor Carter advised that he is still in discussion with the Canal & River Trust regarding potential sites. Their initial reaction was that they did not wish for any more bins to be placed along the canal, but we believe they are now reconsidering their position. He advised that the Estate seemed largely supportive of a dog waste bin collection service, and indeed he has already identified one potential location in the village with Tom, the Estates Manager. 3. Residents Survey. Councillor Carter asked for the thoughts of fellow councillors on him undertaking a survey of residents’ needs and wants in Llanover in relation to GFCC services. This is to help him and the CC better understand what's important to residents in Llanover. It may also help us with setting the budget. The previous survey had few returns, possibly because of a low level of awareness of GFCC, plus the way in which the survey was conducted. This time, Councillor Carter intends to use a combination of MS Forms and paper surveys. He believes that the awareness of GFCC and its services has grown this year, due partly to our increased Facebook presence and his own activity in the community.   The suggested content of the survey had been circulated to councillors in advance of the meeting. Councillor Carter confirmed that is happy to align questions to the previous survey as much as possible, but there are certain specifics he’d like to include, given the more unique nature of the ward, e.g. private vs public land ownership, the churchyard etc.  It was acknowledged that there were a lot of questions, but the survey shouldn’t take more than 8 minutes to complete.  The design and approach were duly noted, with council comfortable that Councillor Carter should proceed with this initiative.   1. Friends of St Bartholomew’s.   Councillor Carter is looking to put together a volunteer group for the upkeep of the graveyard, and has designed a poster (previously circulated to councillors). It includes a web site link for people to volunteer and express their interest in becoming a member. This will be supplemented with paper forms in the village hall / noticeboard. The aims of the group would be to:   * Help maintain and improve the graveyard * Improve the spaces for nature and amenity * Curate and preserve local history   The level of interest in forming such a group is unknown, but it was agreed that Councillor Carter should proceed with the poster to establish whether there is sufficient interest from residents.   1. Llanover Church Hall – letter of endorsement. The church hall has received a grant of nearly £100,000 from the Heritage Lottery Fund to complete the third phase of the redevelopment/refurbishment. The work will make it more useful and accessible to all. Unfortunately, delays to the start of the building work, and modifications to the ramp required by the Building Inspector, means there is now a funding shortfall of £15,000. St Bartholomew's has pledged £5,000 out of its reserves, so they must now raise a further £10,000 through grant applications and their own fund-raising efforts. They are making an application to the Welsh Church Act Fund, which is administered by MCC, and have asked if the CC will write a letter of support to add more weight to the application.   Members were pleased to add their support, and this was formally proposed by Councillor Morrey, seconded by Councillor Carter and carried unanimously. | Cllr. Carter  Cllr. Carter  Cllr. Carter  Clerk. |
| 17 | **Donation Requests.**  Goytre well-being café.  The café is asking for a donation of £150 towards a Christmas dinner for the attendees of the group.  Based on last year’s figures, the total cost will be £20 x circa 83 attendees, so an estimated £1660. The well-being cafe itself will provide c£1500 towards the cost, and the balance of £150 is requested from the community council. At present, the café has £1172 saved, with another 4 meeting dates in which to raise the additional funding to meet their target.  In addition, they hope that other people will donate, but they have no promises at present. If necessary, they will dig into their own pockets to buy crackers and festive napkins etc.  Members were very pleased to add their support by way of a donation of £150, and this was formally proposed by Councillor Butler, seconded by Councillor Daniel and carried unanimously. | Clerk |
| 18 | **Village Committees’ Reports – questions based on previously distributed updates.**   * Goytre Village Hall   + Bookings now taken up to December.   + Finances return now completed and agreed by the Charity Commission.   + The committee is still looking to upgrade the village hall audio.   + Currently looking for a new secretary.   + Goytre Social Club AGM to take place this month.   + The hall is pursuing an insurance claim for the damage caused to the wall of the building when it was hit by a car. * Goytre Fawr School   + All parents have received a letter updating them on procedures and events taking place this academic year.   + Assessments taken over the last academic year shows improvement in learning and behaviour.   + So far, the new asymmetric procedure appears to be working satisfactorily.   + The ‘before and after’ clubs are now established at the school, although the school provides the breakfast club.   + Playworks plan to run a holiday club using Capel Ed as the venue (as the school will be shut during the holidays), but it’s unlikely to be ready to run for this half-term. * Llanover Village Hall   + No report submitted. * Goytre School Governors   + No report submitted. * Goytre Community Centre   + First of all the Committee is very saddened by the loss of our Treasurer Les Root who has been a great help in sorting out our finances, negotiating with Barclays and being there for essential utilities work, improvements, repairs and upgrades that have been needed in the last year. He will be greatly missed by us all.   + We now have WiFi in the building and look forward to welcoming back the community council for bi-monthly meetings.   + GASC has left the centre and although negotiations took place with Llanover Nursery over the summer to retain a holiday club and inset service, this came to nought. Playworks are providing an after-school service at the school and are also in negotiations with Capel Ed to provide a holiday service.   + The committee is working on its long-term business plan to restore full community use to the centre.   + A Body Balance and Condition Fitness Class is running on Tuesday and Thursday evenings 6 - 7 pm.   + Llanover fitness group are using the hall on Mondays 10 - 11 whilst they wait for works to be completed on St Bartholomew’s Hall.   + Has been successful in getting a Keep Wales Tidy grant of £12,500 for their ‘food package’ to make use of the Jill’s building footprint. This will include raised beds a poly tunnel and all the seeds and plants needed to fill them. It will provide an extra space for residents wanting some growing space. More details to follow - this is a community project and will be promoted to the whole community - anyone who wants to take part is welcome.   + Has been successful in getting a £1500 grant from the Church in Wales fund to improve the kitchenette. This will be enough to move the sink, replace taps, fit a hand wash basin and replace the work tops.   + Work continues towards grant applications. Jo Webb from GAVO has visited and is helping to point the committee in the right direction.   + An application to convert the old dining room to a coffee shop has been received. The committee agree this is a positive move and have considered a detailed business plan from the applicant. Negotiations involving MCC are ongoing.   + Leisure classes - there will be a couple of engagement/enrolment sessions in wc 21st October. Initially it is planned to have classes running on Thursdays and Fridays both in the morning and afternoon. There are tutors available to us to teach dressmaking, Crochet and macrame, Flower arranging and an Art class (subject to be confirmed). MCC are supporting until numbers are sufficient to self-fund. * Other Reports.   + Give Dog Fouling the Red Card meeting – Thursday 26th September.     - The new PSPO signage is to be ordered shortly, and will be installed during the winter months, when the grounds team are less busy.     - The team will visit Goytre village with their stencil on Tuesday 19th November, as part of the next awareness day. |  |

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| 19 | **Communications.**   1. GFCC Facebook page – latest posts / responses. There is nothing to report at present. 2. Other Communications   There are no other communications to report. |  |
| 20 | **Advertising - Usk and Raglan Diary contributions January/February 2025.**  There were currently no articles for inclusion in the next edition.  However, by next month we will be able to include some pictures of the new equipment in the park, which should be completed by then. | Cllr. Carter Clerk |
| 21 | **Date of next meeting and close.**  The next meeting is to be held on **Monday 11th November** at **19.45,** atLlanover Village Hall, and by teleconference using: <https://meet.jit.si/GoetreFawrCommunityCouncil>  Councillor Morrey gave his apologies for the next meeting as he will be unable to attend on the date in question. Councillor Carter will undertake the role of Chair in his absence. | All/  Clerk |

Chairman: **……………………………** Date:**……………………**