

Present: Cllrs Evans, Shewell, Morrison, Parker, County Cllr Webb & the Clerk.

3667. Police Reports: None received.

3668. To receive apologies for absence: Cllrs Snell, Ashman & Mawdsley.

3655. Public Session: No one present.

3669. Declarations of interest for items on the agenda: None.

3670. To receive & approve minutes of previous meeting: Circulated, approved & signed as correct.

3671. To receive Financial Report: BMM A/C £3,222.29, Charitable A/C £13,073.03. Interest on BMM A/C £15.51. Amount spent to date £32,505.47.

3672. To consider & approve accounts for payment:-  
Merlin Environmental Services - £127.40 (Ch. No. 300527)  
Clerk's Salary & Expenses - £439.50 (Ch. No. 300530)  
Both approved for payment.

3673. To discuss Planning Applications:-  
DM/2024/00106 – Abbey House, Tintern – change of use from two general storage rooms to two small offices. Approval recommended.  
DM/2022/01815 – Reconsultation on Browns Stores, Llandogo. Approval recommended, but suggest to MCC that the Shop is the first part of the work to be done and the affordable housing ring fenced for local residents only and not sold on for holiday accommodation.  
DM/2023/01408 & 01409 – Reconsultation, Listed Building Consent, The Wild Hare, Tintern. Approval recommended.

3674. Matters Arising from Minutes: The issue of the condition of the bottom of the Trellech Road was raised again. Clerk report.

3675. To receive Reports from outside bodies:-  
Schools – School has had a positive Estyn Inspection.  
Tintern & Llandogo Churches. Tintern – Jane Avery has been covering services recently in Rev Pain's absence. Elisabeth Lewis will be running the Good Friday Service. The normal Easter Sunday Service will take place.  
Llandogo – Easter Sunday will be extra special as it is Jane Avery's last service before retiring. Stations of the Cross will be on display at the Church from the 26th-30th March.  
Village Halls. Tintern – Redecoration and carpet replacement finished. There has been an issue over obtaining the licence for the sale of alcohol as it is now a blanket rule that any establishment applying for variation to a licence has to have CCTV installed.  
Eggstravaganza Egg Hunt & Craft Fayre on Easter Monday. AGM on 22nd April.

3676. Reports from Sub-Committees:- Finance. To discuss & update Council's Insurance due for renewal 1st June 2024. Clerk obtained a quote from Zurich for £572.36 or £543.47 for a 3-year term. As this is substantially less than the current amount quoted (£1,203.83). Councillors agreed that the quotation from Zurich be accepted.

3677. Discuss & approve Merlin Environmental Services Contract for 2024/25: All Councillors present were happy to approve the new contract.

3678. Correspondence: None.

3679. Any Other Business: A few residents of Llandogo have mentioned that there is an accessibility issue in the park. As the terrain is bumpy, on a slope and covered in grass, it is not easy for families with push chairs and wheelchairs to gain access to the park. We as a Community Council do not have the powers to do anything, but it was agreed we would contact MCC with a request they look into this as soon as possible to see if there is any action that can be taken. County Cllr Webb agreed to liaise with them on this basis.

The problem with large, unsuitable vehicles using the Freedom Road was raised again as Satnav directs vehicles up this road. County Cllr Webb reported that this has been passed on to several members of MCC.

The pavement coming into Tintern from Deadmans Corner in the Chepstow direction needs clearing of moss and debris. County Cllr Webb will report.

3680. Date of next meeting: 29th April 2024.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20.03.