

RDCA General Meeting 16 May 2023

Present:

Nerys, Simon, Natasha, Jane H

Father Tim, Sue Harley, Sholto, Tom, Lucy, Peter Yardley, Emma NYB, Charmian, Penny, Tony, Keith, Christina, David, Jackie, Peter B, Rachel, Sue, Nick, Matthew, Steff, Gorica, Chris O.

Apologies:

Ian, Kristin, Neil, Phil, Lynda, Mij, Patrick, Sam

Agenda Item		Action
Introduction	Nerys welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked Sue for the use of the Church.	
Previous meetings	Agreement of minutes of the previous General Meeting was carried forward to the next meeting.	
Church	<p>Father Tim noted that the church is currently the only building in the village suitable for large gatherings. His vision is that it is meant to be for everyone, not just church goers.</p> <p>A recent report stated that if decline in congregation numbers continues then the Church in Wales will close by 2032.</p> <p>The Church pays the Representative Body c.£8,000 a year and a priest costs the Church of Wales c.£42,000 a year. Vision is to repair building, install kitchen and toilets and remove pews to make the Church a more usable space for everyone.</p> <p>Costs estimated at c£160,000.</p> <p>Funding could be available from National Lottery, Cadw and grants from local government.</p> <p>Dai Sibbons (Coleg Elidyr) has indicated willingness to fund raise.</p> <p>Next steps for Father Tim: Meet with Dai Sibbons. Involve local residents to agree plans. Investigate funding options.</p> <p>Anyone wishing to get involved should contact Father Tim or Sue Harley.</p>	
Urdd	<p>2 weeks to go!!</p> <p>Keith has done a great job with the banner etc. and Penny & Tony's contribution is coming soon.</p> <p>Village centre to have a Mr Urdd sign, bunting and laminates – to be put up on Sunday – time to be decided.</p> <p>Funding for additional bunting etc. may be available from Community Council.</p>	

	<p>Tom has kindly offered to put the Urdd 'hay bale' banner onto a wooden board and Emma (Nant y Bai) has offered for it to be placed on her property frontage.</p> <p>Tony has volunteered to strim the village green.</p> <p>Message to be sent to all for volunteers to help put up bunting on Sunday.</p>	
Wind Turbines	<p>Consultation period has ended and all feedback to Llandovery Steering Group has been sent on.</p> <p>Steering Group has new chairman and are in discussion re most effective way forward.</p>	
Gritfest	<p>Off road cycle event taking place 17-19 June.</p> <p>Routes are:</p> <p>Friday – Cwm Rhaedyr</p> <p>Saturday – Llyn Brianne</p> <p>Sunday – Crychan</p> <p>400 competitors expected and camp site will be the Show Field.</p> <p>Competitors will leave site around 9am each morning and return during afternoon.</p> <p>Arts and craft stalls will be on the site Friday afternoon and any residents interested in having a stall should contact Matthew Page via Facebook.</p> <p>Matthew will post details of routes and timings etc over coming weeks.</p>	
Moveable Feast	<p>Date agreed for 5 August.</p> <p>Further details to come!!</p>	
Planning Permission for Nantymwyn House	<p>Tom advised that planning application for 4 holiday cabins in the gardens of Nantymwyn House is to be submitted soon.</p> <p>They will be single bedroom cabins with kitchen, bathroom and living area and small garden.</p> <p>Access will be via the stables and a reed bed to process waste will be installed in the field currently let for horses.</p> <p>Reduced size of field is expected to mean that horses are moved elsewhere so net increase in traffic expected.</p> <p>Lighting will be low level as 'dark sky' is selling point for cabins.</p> <p>Estimated occupancy is 60% with bookings taken for 2 days minimum to 2 weeks.</p> <p>Tom also advised that they have received correspondence from a company called Cornerstone who are seeking permission undertake a survey with a view to erect a telecommunications mast on their land, which they are objecting to.</p> <p>Any feedback/questions to Tom are welcome.</p>	
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