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NOTES OF DEVAUDEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL
AS AT 28th JULY

In view of the COVID 19 virus outbreak DCC decided to cancel actual Council meetings until further notice. It would nevertheless publish notes updating its situation and any appropriate information.

1. Covid 19-Council Meetings

Inevitably there has been a reduction in events/activities on which to report but, lockdown restrictions have started to ease and discussions have taken place about restarting actual meetings/holding virtual meetings. It is planned to have the first meeting on Monday 24th August at 7pm but it has yet to be decided whether that will be actual or remote. At the moment the WG rules do not appear to allow actual meetings in village halls; if this is still the case in a few weeks time the meeting will be held remotely. A decision will be made nearer the time.

2. Police Report

The police reported the following incidents for this period:

“29/6/2020 – Report of the Philips transport depot entered overnight by unknown persons. The glove compartments of the buses at the location were searched but nothing seems to have been taken.

Just so you are aware we had a house burglary at Cophill on the Itton Road on Thursday the 16th July during the day. A side door was smashed to gain entry and each room was searched with items taken including jewellery, camera, purse from the main house and power tools and a push bike taken from an outside shed.”

3. Finance

a. Balances for 30th June 2020 were: £4823.91 and £6806.01.

b. The bank reconciliation and financial statement for the end of June are attached.

c. The VAT refund for 19/20 of £36.44 had been received. It was less than usual as one large invoice from MCC for 19/20 had yet to be received.

b. Cheques were signed as follows: Clerk's salary for July – for £227.92 – cheque number 101713; Clerk's expenses for July for £13.10 – cheque number - 101715 (cheque 101714 cancelled because of error on it); HMH for hire in 2019 for £120 – cheque number 101716 (cheque dated 16 Dec 19 for some reason had gone astray – now cancelled).

4. Correspondence

- a. Covid 19 WG Update Bulletin.
- b. Covid 19 – guidance on managing playgrounds and reopening of community venues.
- c. Correspondence on the Monmouthshire Community Boundary Review.
- d. Information regarding the GAVO comic relief small grant process.
- e. Letter from the Housing Minister about joint stakeholder engagement.
- f. Update on the Wye Valley villages project.
- g. Details of a temporary road closure in Chepstow on 7th August.
- h. Information from the WG regarding a national strategy for flood and coastal erosion risk management.
- i. Information from MCC on the reopening of Usk town centre.

5. Planning

- a. DM/2020/00870 – erection of a ground mounted solar PV generation system on agricultural pasture land adjacent to Upper Glyn Farm, Devauden – awaiting comments.

6. One Voice Wales

There was no correspondence from OVW.

7. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held when the Government rules regarding the virus outbreak are lifted but it was hoped for a meeting on 24th August.