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NOTES OF DEVAUDEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL
AS AT 25th AUGUST

In view of the COVID 19 virus outbreak DCC had 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

DCC held its first remote meeting last night to consider the Annual Return which had to be submitted by the end of August. If it is feasible to meet in Itton Village Hall the Council would aim to hold its first actual meeting on 21 Sep there.

2. Police Report

The police reported the following incidents for this period:

“29/7/2020 – Report of a car cover slashed overnight by unknown persons at a property on Home Farm road, Itton.

8/8/20 – Report of a stone wall and gate post damaged by an unknown vehicle overnight at a property on the outskirts of Devauden. The caller believes a lorry or truck had tried to reverse and caused the damage.

17/8/20 – Report from CADW of an ancient monument in Chepstow Park wood damaged recently. The caller believes that it was done by someone who knew what they were doing as they only exposed/excavated a specific feature within the scheduled monument.

23/8/20 – Report of off road bikes using the Ravensnest/Beddw/woods area.”

3. Finance

a. Balances for 31st July 2020 were: £4114.03 and £6806.01.

b. Cheques were signed as follows: F Richards for benches for £308 – cheque number 101717; Merlin waste for June for £54.60 – cheque number 101718; Clerk’s salary for Aug – for £227.92 – cheque number 101719; Clerk’s expenses for Aug for £13.10 – cheque number - 101720; M Leach grasscutting for £25.00 – cheque number 101721; MCC for grasscutting 19/20 for £789.36 – cheque number 101722; 4 churchyards for maintenance for 4x£100 – cheque number 101723/4/5/6.

4. **Correspondence**

- a. Covid 19 WG Update Bulletin.
- b. Information regarding the Voluntary Services Recovery Fund.
- c. Updated guidance on the reopening of village halls and community centres.
- d. Consultation request from MCC for active travel.

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 – the proposed array appeared to be directly in front of Castell-y-Ffarm. Although there was presently a hedge and slope screening the array it was nevertheless a possible distraction if the hedge were to go. The permanent shadow cast by the array would alter the ecology of the meadow and the view of Monmouthshire Meadows should be sought.
- b. DM./2020/00993 – proposed demolition of existing garage, shed and store and replacement garage at Keepers House, Devauden – no comments offered – recommended for approval.
- c. DM/2020/01105 – change of use of first floor office to holiday accommodation at The Barley House, Devauden – comments awaited.
- d. DM/2020/00968 – erection of an agricultural hay and machinery building at land at Llanvihangel Court, Devauden – comments awaited.
- e. Enforcement notices for July.

6. **One Voice Wales**

There was no correspondence from OVW.

7. **Date of next meeting**

The next meeting will be held on 21st September if the rules allow.