

Minutes of the Five Councils Liaison Meeting on Wednesday 29th March 2023 7:00pm in Llangattock Village Hall

Attendance:

(Llangattock): Cllr R Jones (Chair), Cllr G Jones, Cllr K Inglis, Cllr S Ady, Cllr H Burns, Cllr G Dobbs, Clerk Kay Bailey

(VoG): Cllr E Lusted, Clerk Maria James

(Crickhowell): Cllr P Evans, Cllr D Davies, Cllr C Hall, Clerk Clare Beaty

(Llangynidr/Cwmdu): Clerk Sue Dale

1. Policing in the Five Councils:

Guest Speaker - PCC Dafydd Llywelyn - Police & Crime Commissioner for Dyfed-Powys

This guest was not able to attend. Cllr P Evans (Crickhowell) spoke in relation to the lack of presence of police officers in Crickhowell. They were experiencing low level vandalism in the Castle Grounds. The Vale of Grwyney agreed that they were also concerned about the lack of visibility. Cllr K Inglis questioned when the local officers are available at the Police Station in Crickhowell and Cllr P Evans stated it would be preferable if the police station advertised when it was manned.

The Cllrs. requested that the Crime Commission be contacted in relation to the lack of visibility in the Five Councils. Ideas suggested included a monthly surgery.

2. Danny Bartley Station Manager Mid & West Wales Fire & Rescue Service

The speaker was not able to attend.

3. Place Plan update from Crickhowell Town Council

Cllr Claire Hall gave an update to the councils in relation to Crickhowell's Place Plan. The Place Plan was to be grass roots/community led and it is hoped that it would help the Council target what people want and to influence planning decisions. They will be working with the BBNPA and it should become statutory planning guidance. Crickhowell intends to hire a consultant to help produce the Place Plan and would like a member from another one of the Five Council's to sit in on the interviews.

Cllr G Jones asked how the Council were funding the consultant and Cllr C Hall confirmed that the BBNPA would be helping to fund this.

4. Pantry in the Five Council's area

Cllr Elaine Lusted from the VoG stated that their Council was interested in setting up a Pantry. She explained what a Pantry was and that she had been in contact with Kerry at the CrIC and that there appears to be a need for one. She wanted feedback from the Five Councils as to their thoughts on need and also location.

Cllrs. discussed options for the location, most concurred that there is a need within the five councils. Cllr Elaine Lusted will research options further.

5. King Charles III Coronation - what are councils doing to commemorate?

Crickhowell would be hosting a Jubilee Party on Monday 8th May in the park, with reduced noise fireworks. People are welcome to bring a picnic and there will be vendors attending. Llangattock is not having an event but will be hosting a Village Faire in June.

6. Any Other Business

Cllr P Evans suggested grouping together for training required, that should be highlighted with the new training plans. He also spoke about the areas' need for burial grounds.

Cllr K Inglis requested that Five Council Cllrs attend the Environmental working group.

7. Date of next Meeting - 28th June 2023 - Cwmdu (Sue Dale)