

NORTH MONMOUTHSHIRE LIAISON COMMITTEE – REPORT to AREA COMMITTEE

The NMLC met on 13th January 2019.

View requested

Planned Maintenance of Highways - North Mon Community & Town Councils are concerned regarding the general level of maintenance and cleansing of highways, clearing drains & culverts etc which is leading to problems particularly in the rural areas. There is also concern regarding the state of the highways and appearance of potholes.

NMLC would welcome a response from MCC regarding the funding available for planned maintenance and the priority given to the maintenance of rural roads.

Dog Waste Bin emptying – Many local councils continue to have problems with the contractor that empties the dog waste bins. Discussions are ongoing between representatives from local councils and MCC officers regarding different options. **NMLC would request that the Area Committee supports the NMLC view that MCC should collect & dispose of dog waste with community & town councils paying for the service.**

General Issues

At the January meeting, those present received details from Mike Moran, MCC on the summer playscheme. In 2020, funding is being sought from WG and others to enable a free healthy breakfast and lunch to be provided as part of the open access play sessions. Abergavenny Town Council contributes £12,000 towards this playscheme however there are a number of attendees from neighbouring community council areas that access this playscheme, particularly from the Llantilio Pertholey CC area. Therefore, a request is being made to the North Monmouthshire local councils to consider contributing to the playscheme to enable healthy meals to be provided.

Councils were informed that MCC officers will be contacting community councils to request assistance with land &/or funding to assist MCC with their decision to plant 10,000 trees by 2022.

Reports from individual councils

Abergavenny TC

Work ongoing at Town Hall which makes delivery of the Town Council function challenging

Cllr Sara Burch (Labour) elected as town councillor following by-election in Cantref ward.

The Town Council is planning a public consultation in February on the new planting schemes for the area outside cinema, raised at the bus station, borders at Tudor St and Castle St car parks and corner of Penypound & Park Road.

VE75 street party is being organised for Friday 8th May in the Prince of Wales Courtyard

Goetre Fawr CC

Goetre Fawr CC received approx. £82,000 for a MUGA from Section 106 monies

Llanelly CC

Advertisement for a new Clerk to be issued shortly

A465 legacy project proposals – criteria for legacy projects changed so not clear what could be secured for Llanelly CC area. Only £250,000 available for all communities impacted by the Clydach Gorge widening.

Crucorney CC

Bowling Green is to be handed back to the Community Council. Boiler in Pandy hall needs replacing. The community council has received just under £7500 s106 monies.

Llanfoist Fawr CC

Work is ongoing on the refurbishment of the Salisbury Hall.
Hedge planting day has been held.
Additional Christmas light around Waitrose area were added in 2019 scheme.