

Llangurig Community Council
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday 19th June 2018

Minutes of meeting held at the Llangurig Community Centre on Tuesday 19th June 2018 at 7.30pm.

In attendance: Cllr J Dore (Chairman), Cllr L Higgitt (Vice Chairman), Cllr M Bound, Cllr C Davies, Cllr I Bound (left at 7.38pm).

Clerk Mrs S Palmer

County Cllr P Davies

Not present: Cllr R Williams.

1. Apologies: Cllr B Jones.

2. Declarations of interest *whether likely to benefit or disadvantage, should be disclosed prior to commencement of discussion.* None

3. Vacant seats on the Council: Following the deadline for the Notice of Vacancy being posted, Powys County Council have contacted the Clerk to confirm that no election has been called and therefore the notice of co-option can be posted. A period of 21 days for the notice of co-option was agreed by all Cllrs present and Clerk stated that she would post it on the three notice boards following the meeting. Clerk also confirmed that as there were currently more interested candidates than seats available rounds of voting would need to take place to fill the two vacancies. It was agreed that Clerk should contact PCC to clarify the voting process and forward details to all Cllrs prior to the next meeting.

4. Minutes for meeting held on 15th May 2018 were confirmed to be an accurate record apart from numbering which was incorrect as certain numbers were duplicated. Proposed by Cllr M Bound and seconded by Cllr C Davies.

5. General Data Protection Regulations: Clerk will sort out a document for the website relating to GDPR and send the data protection policy to Cllrs.

6. Council Insurance: The Clerk confirmed that since the previous meeting Cllr L Higgitt received some post from the previous Clerk which had details of the Council Insurance Policy. This information was received the day before renewal. The Clerk checked the details of the renewal which was less than the previous year. Previously the insurance was with Aon but they no longer do council insurance so the renewal is with BHIB. Clerk confirmed that the renewal has been left to go through which Cllrs agreed to continue with as the renewal quote was lower than last year and unlikely to get a cheaper quote.

7. Highway Matters

a) Disability access, kerbs and crossing: Cllr P Davies confirmed that the disability kerbs will be done soon.

b) Village Car park: lighting: No response as yet, Clerk to chase to see if light nearest car park can be turned back on as the car park is very dark at night particularly during the winter months and more people are using the car park since the refurbishment of the Community Centre.

c) Drainage at Llanerch corner: Clerk received communication from Highways Dept today requesting the contact details for Chairman in order to discuss this in more detail.

d) Cefn Road sign: Clerk confirmed response from PCC relating to the sign being removed due to the correct paperwork/procedure not being followed in order to instate the sign originally. Cllr P Davies said that he will look into it.

8. Matters Arising:

a) Wind Farm: No updates or communication from the windfarm.

b) Clerks contract and Standing Orders: Clerk to forward a copy of the contract to Cllrs. New model Standing Orders have been distributed via One Voice Wales recently as they have been updated to incorporate GDPR. Clerk to look at these alongside the Standing Orders drafted between herself and Cllr L Higgitt and draft an updated document ideally prior to the next meeting.

c) Tree Felling in Cwm Belan: Nothing further from PCC but the matter is in hand.

d) Llangurig Community Centre: Request for a tent to be put up on the village green in August. Cllrs requested further details of the tent/gazebo to be put on the green at the last meeting. Clerk confirmed that the tent/gazebo will be approx. 10ft square and only used if the weather is not dry between 11am-3pm for people to eat. Cllrs present agreed that they were happy to allow the use of the gazebo as long

as the green is left in the state that it is found in and to ensure that the hirer is responsible for any damage caused and also for the relevant insurance.

e) Village Plan: Clerk had two copies of other council's village plans to look at as examples. Cllrs agreed to defer this item until the September meeting.

f) Independent Review Panel: Pop-in sessions for community feedback. Feedback session was held alongside a coffee morning on 12th May. Not many attended but some feedback was received which will be forwarded by the Clerk to the Independent Review Panel.

9. Correspondence:

a) Llangurig Community Centre: Request for a gazebo to be put up on the village green in August. This item was covered in Matters Arising (item 8.d).

b) Powys Teaching Health Board – ‘Our Big NHS Change’: Cllrs discussed and agreed unanimously to respond in favour of supporting the option which sees Bronglais in Aberystwyth retain emergency services.

c) NHS Future Fit Consultation: Cllrs discussed and agreed unanimously to respond in favour of option 1 which sees emergency services retained at Royal Shrewsbury Hospital rather than Princes Royal in Telford.

d) Powys CC Adopted Powys LDP survey: Cllr noted details regarding survey, no action to be taken.

e) Planning application not sent to LCC for comment: A query was raised by a local resident in relation to a planning application which was given consent near the start of 2018 and asked whether it had been discussed by LCC. It was confirmed between the Clerk and PCC that this application was not received by LCC. PCC apologised and confirmed that it was sent in error to Llanidloes Town Council.

10. Requests for Financial Assistance: None received prior to the agenda being posted but a request was passed onto the Chair prior to the meeting for Noah's Ark and the walk being organised to raise money for the charity. Cllrs agreed to defer discussion for financial assistance until July meeting but Clerk to send a letter of support in the mean time.

11. Planning Applications:

Scoping Opinion Ref: SC/2018/ 0002, Grid Ref: 296817.27/282075.69 for Scoping Request for proposed retention of overtip and re-profiling of existing landfill at Land at Bryn Posteg Landfill Site, Tylwch, Llanidloes, Powys.

Cllrs discussed the above and confirmed that comments originally made in relation to the landfill site still apply in regards to ensuring that the landfill be managed in a compliant manor and that the regulations are enforced. Agreed that Clerk would re-send the original letter sent and confirm that the content still applies in relation to this latest scoping opinion.

Application Ref: P/2018/0560

Grid Ref: 288982.79/284963.07 for Full: Construction of a horse menage and associated works at Maescolwyn Old Hall Llanidloes Powys

Cllrs discussed the above and agreed that they had no specific comments to make in relation to this planning application.

12. Finances:

a) Account balances:

Community Account = £4,003.07
Money Manager Account = £4,929.09

b) Bills to be paid:

Clerk confirmed that the pay scales from NALC have been updated so higher rates apply for each scale point as of April 2018. Cllrs agreed that the higher hourly rate would be paid for the scale point agreed in the Clerks contract and would be backdated for April and May also.

Sophie Palmer (Clerk)	Salary (June & backdated pay)	£197.15 + £8.77 = £205.92
Sophie Palmer (Clerk)	Expenses (June)	£53.25
HMRC	PAYE tax (June)	£0
John R Dore	Reimburse overpayment for training fees	£105.00
<i>Martin Obbard</i>	<i>Noticeboard repair</i>	<i>£120.00 (transfer request to be made in July)</i>
Llanidloes Town Council	Donation to library/museum	£150.00
BHIB	Council Insurance (2018/19)	£316.01

Bills to be paid were agreed and proposed by Cllr L Higgitt and seconded by Cllr C Davies.

Clerk confirmed that as only one signatory was present that she would contact one of the other signatories following the meeting in order to arrange for the cheques to be signed by a second signatory as soon as possible.

13. Clerk to confirm out of office/holiday dates: Clerk confirmed that she will be on holiday from 30th July until 11th August but will be checking emails sporadically whist away in case of any urgent matters.

14. Councillors comments:

Chair Cllr J Dore: had to overtake two buses on one occasion that had stopped at a bus stop. Cllr P Davie confirmed that while this is not ideal there isn't much that can be done.

Cllr L Higgitt: Regarding the consultation on school bus services, should LCC be looking at it in more detail in order to make comment?

15. Date of next meeting: Tuesday 17th July 2018 at 7.30pm.

Chair Cllr J Dore thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 9.21pm.

Signed:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sophie Palmer', is written over a light blue rectangular background.

Sophie Palmer (Clerk & RFO)