

Trefeglwys Community Council
Minutes of Meeting
7:30pm, Thursday 30th November 2017
at Trefeglwys Village Hall Meeting Room

Present: Councillors: Cllr Beryl Crone (Chair)
Cllr Myra Jones (Vice Chair)
Cllr Morris Smith
Cllr Derrick Pugh
Cllr Endaf Meddins

In Attendance: Sophie Palmer (Clerk)

Members of the Community: None

Apologies: Cllr Paul Tranter
Cllr Rhiannon Jones
Cllr David Jerman
Cllr Nick Bennett
County Cllr Phyl Davies

1. Apologies: Cllr R Jones, Cllr P Tranter, Cllr D Jerman, Cllr N Bennett, County Cllr P Davies

2. Declarations of Interest. *Declarations of interest whether likely to benefit of disadvantage, should be disclosed prior to commencement of discussion.*
Cllr D Pugh declared an interest for agenda item 7h.

3. Minutes from previous Community Council Meeting of 26th October 2017 were proposed by Cllr M Jones and seconded by Cllr M Smith.

4. Staylitttle Outdoor Centre Closure: Cllrs discussed the recent issue of the possible closure of Staylitttle Outdoor Centre and the petition to keep it open. Cllrs agreed that the centre is an important asset in the community. Cllrs were all in unanimous agreement that they were in favour of keeping the centre open. Cllrs resolved for the clerk to write a letter of support for keeping the centre open to Cllr Rosemarie Harris and Cllr Rachel Powell of Powys County Council and Maggie Fitzpatrick-Reeves who started the petition.

5. Matters Arising:

- a. Post box:** Chair Cllr B Crone has been in touch with Royal Mail regarding relocation of the post box and is awaiting a response.
- b. Website:** Roger Malvern of Upper Bridge Enterprises has forwarded some suggestions relating to how the website could be administered differently in the future. Cllrs discussed the potential option of the Clerk dealing with the administration of the website but would like to know more about what training would be involved, how much training would cost etc. Clerk to request more details.
- c. One Voice Wales:** Reform of Data Protection Legislation. TCC is waiting for seminars to be announced in order to get more information relating to this.
- d. Boundary Commission for Wales:** Revised proposals report 2018 review. All Cllrs present unanimously agreed that they would rather the boundaries stayed as they are so as not to split the established communities.
- e. Independent Remuneration Panel:** Draft annual report. No action.
- f. Welsh Government:** Independent Review Panel, Call to Evidence. Event dates have been emailed to the Clerk, Cllr D Pugh is able to attend on 4th December in Howey.
- g. Planning application not received for comments:** Clerk contacted the Planning Department to ask why the update to a planning proposal was not forwarded to TCC to discuss and comment on. PCC responded that the application is non-material and therefore is not subject to be sent out in this way. Cllrs disagree that it is non-material. Clerk to send this response to PCC Planning Dept.

6. Highways:

- a. **Blaen Hole, Trefeglwys:** PCC have stated that the old road markings which have not yet faded will be covered so as to prevent any confusion.
Other highway issues have been raised regarding the C2177 that no grit has been delivered to the road sides this year, the drains and culverts are blocked and so water is running down the road and it is slippery with recent temperatures dropping below freezing. An elderly lady who has carers to attend her several times a day have complained to PCC about the road also as they are worried about safety. Large lorries have also been seen using this road to access chicken farms and they are too big so have made a mess of the road sides and pulled down branches onto the road in some cases. Clerk to report all of this to Powys CC as a matter of urgency.

7. Correspondence (*All correspondence received has previously been forwarded to Cllrs. Cllrs to comment on correspondence relevant to Trefeglwys Community Council*):

- a. **Don Queen:** Requesting information about Carno wind farm phase 3. Email received from someone looking to purchase a property in Llawryglyn asking for details of Carno Wind Farm Phase 3 but a further email was then sent stating that he was now not going ahead with the sale.
- b. **CPRW Montgomeryshire Branch Committee:** Best Kept Village Competition 2018. No action.
- c. **Ceredigion County Council:** Local Development Plan (LDP) Review and preparation of Replacement Plan. No comments.
- d. **One Voice Wales:** One Voice Wales Innovative Practice National Awards 2018. Clerk to look out information put together for last years' awards to update and resubmit. To be added to next meeting agenda.
- e. **National Assembly for Wales:** Consultation on the inquiry into Local Approaches to poverty reduction: The Well-Being of Future Generations Act and public service boards. No action.
- f. **Welsh Government:** proposed amendments to the Local Authorities (Capital Finance & Accounting) (Wales) Regulations 2003. No action.
- g. **Powys Teaching Health Board:** NHS Future Fit continues progress towards public consultation. Information noted.
- h. **Trefeglwys Luncheon Club:** Financial Assistance Requested. Cllr D Pugh left the room following declaration of interest. The Luncheon Club have requested financial assistance in order to purchase a new lockable cupboard to keep items instead of transporting them from a storage cupboard which is not the safest option. 4 Cllrs present unanimously agreed that the Community Fund from the Wind Farm could be utilised to offer the full cost of the cupboard. All were in agreement that the Luncheon Club is a great asset to the local community and one that the Council wish to support.
- i. **HSBC:** Changes to T&C's. Noted.
- j. **HSBC:** BIC & IBAN numbers have changed. Noted.
- k. **Cllr W Davies:** Letter and related correspondence. A letter of resignation has been received from Cllr William Davies. Cllrs discussed and regretfully agreed to accept Mr Davies' resignation. Clerk to draft a response. As a resignation has been received and accepted a space is therefore available for another Councillor from the Staylitttle ward. Clerk to post a notice of co-option to request anyone interested in co-opting onto the council to contact the Clerk.

8. Reports: None

9. Finances/Accounts:

- a. **Precept discussion:** all relevant documentation was sent out prior to all Cllrs which were then discussed during the meeting along with current funds held. All Councillors (5) present unanimously agreed on a precept amount of £4,800. Clerk to complete precept request.
- b. **Account balances:**

Community Account balance	= £9,880.30
Money Manger Account balance	= £3,181.88

Clerk requires signatures for letters to HSBC for account name change request and transfer of funds request. Clerk to meet Chair Cllr B Crone and Vice Chair Cllr M Jones for signatures on the printed letters.

c. Payments and Receipts:

<u>Monies Out</u>	Clerks Wages (Sophie Palmer)	= £236.06 (20hrs)
	Clerks Expenses (Sophie Palmer)	= £14.42 (Nov)
	Clerks Expenses (Sophie Palmer)	= £58.79 (<i>agreed in August</i>
	<i>'17 but cheque was not drawn)</i>	
	HMRC tax	None
	Trefeglwys Luncheon Club	= £472.00 (<i>at the discretion</i>
	<i>of Chairman)</i>	

Bills to be paid were agreed and proposed by Cllr E Meddins and seconded by Cllr M Jones

<u>Monies In</u>	Beaufort Wind Ltd	= £1,598.62
	Powys CC (Recycling)	= £136.42

10.Planning: None

11.Chairman / Councillors Comments:

Chair Cllr B Crone: Mr Gwilym Evans kindly donated the Remembrance Day Wreath to the Community Council. Proposal to write a thank you letter to Mr Evans was agreed. Clerk to draft letter.

Cllr D Pugh: The Council was informed that the community are glad that the local Community Council is now back up and running. Comments also included that the community appreciate the work we do on the Council and are fully supportive of us.

12.Date of next meeting: The next meeting was due to be held on Thursday 28th December 2017 but all Cllrs present (5) agreed to bring the meeting forward by 1 week so as not to interfere with Christmas. Therefore the next meeting will be held on Thursday 21st December at 7.30pm at Trefeglwys memorial Hall meeting room.

Chair Cllr B Crone thanked everyone for attending and closed the open session at 9.55pm. The Council then progressed to a closed meeting session in order to discuss matters of a confidential nature.

Signed:



Sophie Palmer (Clerk & RFO)