

**Trefeglwys Community Council
Minutes of Meeting
7:30pm, Thursday 22nd March 2018
at Trefeglwys Village Hall Meeting Room**

Present:	Councillors:	Cllr Beryl Crone (Chair) Cllr Morris Smith Cllr Derrick Pugh Cllr Paul Tranter Cllr David Jerman
In Attendance:		Sophie Palmer (Clerk) Clayton Taylor (Asset Manager at Carno Wind Farm)
Members of the Community:		None
Apologies:		Cllr Myra Jones (Vice Chair) Cllr Jane Anwyl Cllr Endaf Meddins Cllr N Bennett County Cllr Phyl Davies
Not present:		Cllr Rhiannon Jones

1. **Apologies:** Cllr M Jones (Vicechair), Cllr J Anwyl, Cllr E Meddins, Cllr N Bennett,
2. **Declarations of Interest.** *Declarations of interest whether likely to benefit or disadvantage, should be disclosed prior to commencement of discussion.*
Cllr D Jerman declared an interest relating to agenda item 10.d.
3. **Minutes** from previous Community Council Meeting of 22nd February 2018 were proposed as a true record by Cllr M Smith and seconded by Cllr D Jerman.
4. **Carno Windfarm:** The new Asset Manager, Clayton Taylor, attended the meeting in order to introduce himself to the Community Council and answer any queries the Cllrs have regarding the wind farm. The Wind Farm he works for is A & B or Wind Farm 1 which was set up in 1996. Some details of what TCC has used the Community Wind Farm Fund for were given such as helping local voluntary organisations/groups (e.g. Trefeglwys Luncheon Club, Trefeglwys Young Farmers). Clayton requested more success stories if possible.
5. **Regulations to be updated/reviewed:** Financial Regulations draft forwarded to Chair Cllr B Crone, Vice Chair Cllr M Jones & Cllr M Smith. There are a number of items to be agreed within the Regulations ideally by the full Council. Clerk to re-draft the Financial Regulations and send to all Cllrs prior to the next meeting.
6. **Internal Auditor to be appointed for the coming audit:** Cllrs agreed to request the services of Anthony Richards who completed the internal audit last year. This was proposed by Cllr D Jerman and seconded by Cllr M Smith.
7. **Matters Arising:**
 - a. **General Data Protection Legislation:** GDPR toolkit has been created by NALC and forwarded by One Voice Wales. SLCC has also stated that they are looking at providing some guidance on this. It is still unclear who can take on the role of the Data Protection Officer. Clerk to confirm further updates at the next meeting.
 - b. **Welsh Government:** Independent Review Panel, Review of Local Council Sector. Still waiting on details from One Voice Wales of the information they have gathered from Community & Town Councils on the review.
 - c. **Notice board (Staylitttle):** No update at present.

- d. **PCC:** Recycling site in Trefeglwys. Chair Cllr B Crone has spoken to the Chapel by the recycling site regarding the site adoption. The Chapel has no interest at this time to become site adopters.
- e. **Laptop for Clerk:** A laptop and costs was agreed at the previous meeting but Clerk confirmed that this was no longer available when placing the order. A different laptop was therefore suggested. Cllrs discussed this and the different cost and all present were in agreement to go ahead with the purchase and to draw up a cheque at this evenings meeting in order to place the order as soon as possible.
- f. **Defibrillator:** The Council is waiting to hear back regarding what happened to the original defibrillator which was in the village. Clerk to contact Welsh Hearts about how they can help in getting a new defibrillator.
- g. **Broadband issues:** Fibre broadband is in the village and individuals can speak to their individual broadband providers to request the fibre broadband to be brought to their home. Cllr M Smith stated that due to the delays and problems with contracts many people and businesses locally are suffering due to poor broadband after being promised fibre broadband. Clerk to contact BT.

8. Highways:

- a. **Ystradfaelog junction, Trefeglwys:** Clerk to look into whether there was a previous planning application which required for this junction to be widened. Clerk to look into this.
- b. **HGV signage, C2177, Trefeglwys:** To ensure that all residents are on board with TCC's proposal to move the HGV sign Chair Cllr B Crone has spoken with 8 residents on this road who all agree that the HGV sign should be moved to the main road. It was also mentioned that the C2178 is also not suitable for HGV's and that the Glainant Bridge should possibly have a weight restriction on it. Chair Cllr B Crone will speak to Russell George AM on Saturday when he will be in Trefeglwys.
- c. **Road Closure, C2020, Trefeglwys:** Information noted, Clerk to have it added to the website.

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

- a. **One Voice Wales:** Consultation on the Autism (Wales) Bill. Information noted. Cllrs to comment as individuals.
- b. **Welsh Government:** Final Draft Guidance for Principal Councils on the Review of Communities. No action.
- c. **HSBC:** Becoming a commercial Customer from 1st June 2018. Information noted, no action.
- d. **Kidney Wales:** Walk for Life information. Information noted and agreed to pass on to the local keep fit class.
- e. **Wales Audit Office:** Survey of all Welsh Town & Community Councils. No action.
- f. **The Cutting Room, Trefeglwys:** Request to be added to local businesses on the website. All Cllrs present were in agreement to have this info added to the website. Clerk to action. It was also mentioned that there are some businesses still on the website which are no longer trading or in the area. These will be removed. There are also other businesses, groups and organisations to be added.
- g. **Independent Remuneration Panel:** Annual Report. Cllrs will need to confirm what expenses they wish to claim at the AGM. Clerk to draft letters for Cllrs to confirm and sign at AGM.
- h. **Local Democracy & Boundary Commission for Wales:** Review of County Electoral Arrangements for the County of Powys - Draft Proposals. The proposal is for Trefeglwys to be joined with Llanidloes Without for electoral purposes. All Cllrs present were in agreement with the proposal.
- i. **Wales Audit Office:** report on financial management and governance in local councils. Information noted, no action.
- j. **Welsh Government:** Funding Support available for joint arrangements. Information noted, not relevant at this time. No action.
- k. **One Voice Wales:** Consultation on Edition 10 of Planning Policy Wales. Information noted, no action. Cllrs may respond as individuals.
- l. **Welsh Hearts:** Requesting information of defibs in communities. Clerk to confirm information as detailed in agenda item 7.f.
- m. **One Voice Wales:** Innovative Practice Awards – TCC have been shortlisted for the award of Best Council and invited to the Awards Ceremony. Cllr D Pugh was asked if he would be able to attend as he put together most of the information for the nomination. Cllr D Pugh confirmed that he would be able to attend.

10. Requests for Financial Assistance:

- a. **Tenovus Cancer Care:** Cllrs unanimously agreed not to donate at this time.

- b. **Trefeglwys Eisteddfod Committee:** Cllrs unanimously agreed to donate £150 from the Community Wind Farm Fund.
- c. **Trefeglwys Young Famers Club:** Cllrs unanimously agreed to donate £1,000 from the Community Wind Farm Fund.
- d. **Llanidloes High School:** Cllrs unanimously agreed not to donate as the request was for funding in general and it was felt that this is not a good use of TCC funds.
- e. **Children's Wales Air Ambulance:** Cllrs unanimously agreed not to donate at this time.

11.Reports: None.

12.Finances/Accounts:

a. Account balances:

Community Account balance	= £7,528.17
Wind Farm Account balance	= £5,188.20

- b. **Accounts and budget to be reviewed:** Clerk sent accounts and budget information to Cllrs prior to the meeting. Accounts were discussed and it was raised that TCC may have previously been receiving payments from the other Carno Wind Farm. Clerk to look into this. Accounts were approved by all Cllrs present.

c. Payments and Receipts:

<u>Monies Out</u>	Clerks Wages (Sophie Palmer)	£202.21
	Clerks Expenses (Sophie Palmer)	£23.68
	HMRC PAYE tax	£7.20
	PCC (license for bus shelter & bike rank @ school)	£5.00
	<i>[previous chq to be cancelled and new chq drawn up made payable to Post Office]</i>	
	Anthony Richards (Internal Audit Fee 2016/17 audit)	£50.00
	PC-Q Solutions Ltd (laptop)	£546.00
<u>Monies In</u>	None	

Letter requesting funds of £472 transfer from Wind Farm Account into Community Account to be approved and signed by 2 signatories.

13.Planning

Application Ref: **P/2018/0245**

Grid Ref: 296970.66/290378.77 for Householder: Erection of an extension to replace a sunroom at Brynllwyn Trefeglwys Caersws Powys

Cllrs unanimously agreed that they were in favour of this planning application.

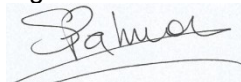
14.Chairman / Councillors Comments:

Cllr M Smith: The street lights on the new development in the village seem very bright. It was mentioned this may be due to them being new and probably LED lights. Some lights are still off in the village. This was raised as an issue around March 2017.

15.Date of next meeting: The next meeting will be held on Thursday 26th April 2018 at 7.30pm at Trefeglwys memorial Hall meeting room.

Chair Cllr B Crone thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 9.55pm.

Signed:



Sophie Palmer (Clerk & RFO)