

**Trefeglwys Community Council  
Minutes of Meeting  
7:30pm, Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2018  
at Trefeglwys Village Hall Meeting Room**

**Present:** Councillors: Cllr Beryl Crone (Chair)  
Cllr Myra Jones (Vice Chair)  
Cllr Morris Smith  
Cllr Derrick Pugh  
Cllr Paul Tranter  
Cllr David Jerman  
Cllr Jane Anwyl  
Cllr Endaf Meddins  
Cllr N Bennett

**In Attendance:** Sophie Palmer (Clerk)  
County Cllr Phyl Davies

**Members of the Community:** None

**Apologies:** None

**Not present:** Cllr Rhiannon Jones

1. **Apologies:** None

2. **Declarations of Interest.** *Declarations of interest whether likely to benefit or disadvantage, should be disclosed prior to commencement of discussion.*

3. **Minutes** from Community Council Meeting of 26<sup>th</sup> April 2018 were proposed as a true record by Cllr M Smith and seconded by Cllr D Jerman. Confidential minutes of the same meeting were also proposed as a true record by Cllr D Jerman and seconded by Cllr M Smith.

4. **Matters Arising:**

- a. **General Data Protection Legislation:** Clerk confirmed that the documents required are in hand and will be forwarded to Cllrs.
- b. **Independent Review Panel** has asked all Community and Town Councils to offer a pop-in session in May in order to encourage members of the public to give feedback about Community & Town Councils and what their roles and responsibilities should be. As the Review Panel requested for these sessions to be carried out in May there was not much time to make arrangements for a session and publicise it etc. Therefore it was discussed and agreed that Chair Cllr B Crone and the Clerk would attend the Ladybirds Toddler Group on the morning of Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May in order for members of the public to pop in and complete a feedback form.
- c. **Notice board (Staylitttle):** Repairs to the notice board have not yet been carried out.
- d. **Defibrillators for Trefeglwys & Llawryglyn:** Clerk to contact Trefeglwys Memorial Hall Committee and ask if a defib is something that they are looking into and if so TCC would be willing to offer some financial assistance. Cllr N Bennett to ask at the next Llawryglyn Village Meeting whether Llawryglyn have discussed a defibrillator also.
- e. **Local Democracy & Boundary Commission for Wales: Review of County Electoral Arrangements for the County of Powys:** Following discussion the following comments were agreed for the Clerk to send back to the Boundary Commission:

*Trefeglwys Community Council would like to confirm that they are in agreement with the comments from Llanidloes Without Community Council and feel that an extra County Councillor in the area is unnecessary and would echo the views of Llanidloes Without Community Council as shown below:*

*'Councillors do not see the need for change as you propose as it would entail electing an extra County Councillor for Llanidloes and Llangurig ward when at the present time we are looking at saving the electoral purse not creating more County Councillors when there is no need.*

*The Councillor for Llanidloes has different priorities for the Councillor for the Blaenhafren ward which is a rural area surrounding the town, and at this moment in time we do not see any need for change as the system is working well. We feel it would be counter productive to have three Councillors covering Llanidloes, Llangurig and blaenhafren Wards.'*

- f. **New Post Box:** There has been no further communication from Royal Mail about when the post box will be installed. Chair Cllr B Crone will continue to chase up.
- g. **One Voice Wales Innovative Practice Award, put up in Trefeglwys Memorial Hall:** It has been agreed by the hall committee was discussed and agreed for the award to be put up in the Memorial Hall. Cllr M Smith will put it up.
- h. **Village Flower boxes:** The flower boxes have been done and look really good although they could do with having the grass around them trimmed as it has grown quite long around the boxes and obscures the flowers.

#### 5. Highways:

- a. **Ystradfaelog junction, Trefeglwys:** No further info at this time.
- b. **HGV signage, C2177, Trefeglwys:** Cllr P Davies has confirmed that the sign at the junction for the C2177 and C2178 will be moved to the main road. Cllr P Davies will chase up if not moved by the end of the month.
- c. **Blocked right of way along C2178:** someone had reported that a right of way was blocked. Cllr P Davies confirmed the response from PCC stated that part of the lane is a right of way but the rest is questionable so it was decided to make further enquiries.

#### 6. Website and Social Media:

Clerk confirmed that she is arranging a time with Upper Bridge to carry out the training for the website in order for administration of the website to be passed across to the Clerk to alleviate any issues with having items added to the website and save some money.

Following the addition of the Trefeglwys News Page on Facebook some items have been shared via this page by the Clerk on behalf of the Council. This however has to be done via the Clerks personal Facebook account which is fine but it was suggested that it may be better for the Council to have its own page for information sharing and show more community engagement. All Cllrs present were in agreement for the Clerk to create a Facebook page. It was agreed that it will be a page that items can only be added to by the Clerk and no one else but others will be able to contact the Council via the page and share information posted by the Council.

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

- a. **Cllr R Jones:** Clerk confirmed receipt of the resignation of Cllr R Jones which was read out to all present. Cllrs acknowledged receipt and confirmed their thanks to Rhiannon Jones for her long service and good work as a Cllr. Clerk to write to R Jones to this effect. A vacancy is now available on the Council so the Clerk confirmed that a notice of vacancy will need to be put up. It was agreed to do this straight away and inform PCC.
- b. **Welsh National Tractor Road Run:** Tractor run at the weekend will be starting at Llanidloes and travelling through Staylitttle, Llawryglyn and Trefeglwys before ending back in Llanidloes. Clerk to ensure that the details are on the website.
- c. **Powys Teaching Health Board:** Powys OOH and 111 Stakeholder Bulletin. Information relating to Out of Hours services and 111 line was noted, no action to be taken.
- d. **University Health Board:** Our Big NHS Change (July deadline). Cllrs discussed the details of this consultation and it was unanimously confirmed to support Option A. Clerk to send response.
- e. **NHS Future Fit Consultation** (Sept deadline): Cllrs discussed the details of this consultation and it was unanimously confirmed to support Option A. Clerk to send response.
- f. **Wales Audit Office:** How have Public Bodies responded to the Well-Being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015: Details of correspondence were noted. No action.

#### 8. Requests for Financial Assistance

- a. **Bobath Children's Therapy Centre Wales:** Cllrs present unanimously agreed that no donation would be given at this time.

## 9. Reports:

### a. Clerk: Roundtable event held by the Independent Remuneration Panel

The Clerk confirmed that she attended the above event which helped clarify some points of the way that the Independent Review Panel gathers information and reports it's findings. The details of remuneration for Cllrs were made clearer and the Clerk confirmed that all Cllrs will need to write a letter in order to opt out of receiving a £150 payment where previously they had to request it to receive it. Cllr expenses such as mileage are separate to this. All Cllrs again stated that they would not be taking any of the £150. Clerk also confirmed that allowance will need to be made each year when discussing the precept for paying any costs for care etc so that there is something available if a Cllr is in need of claiming it at some point.

### b. Clerk: Joint One Voice Wales & SLCC Conference

The Clerk attended the above conference which was a useful event in order to network with other Clerks and Cllrs and meet people from organisations/businesses which can benefit the Council potentially. Talks clarified the finer points of insurance for Councils, GDPR and members of the Independent Review Panel were also there to confirm the current stages of the review.

### c. Cllr D Pugh: One Voice Wales Committee Meeting: Trefeglwys Community Council was acknowledged for winning the Innovative Practice Award recently and given a round of applause.

There were discussions relating to Council Tax in relation to it being calculated by Band D properties which many argue is not a fair way of doing it. It was decided that rather than put anything forward at this time, TCC would wait and see what action, if any, other Councils take.

## 10. Finances/Accounts:

### a. Account balances:

Community Account balance = £7,819.28  
Wind Farm Account balance = £3,567.06

### b. Payments and Receipts:

<u>Monies Out</u>	Clerks Wages (Sophie Palmer)	= £126.98 (20hrs)
	Clerks Expenses (Sophie Palmer)	= £35.59
	HMRC PAYE tax	= £42.80
	Mileage expenses (Cllr D Pugh)	= £67.91
	Playground Inspection Fee (PCC)	= £72.00
	GDPR training x 2(Llandrindod Town Council)	= £16.00
	Joint OVW & SLCC Conference (SLCC)	= £30.00
	Trefeglwys Memorial Hall (Meeting Room Hire)	= £240.00 (2017)
	SLCC Books for Clerk	= £5.95
<u>Monies In</u>	Interest	= £0.88

Bills to be paid were proposed by Cllr P Tranter and seconded by Cllr J Anwyl.

## 11. Planning

### a. Application Ref: VAR/2018/0023

Grid Ref: 295908.68/292815.76 for Application to discharge Section 52 legal agreement attached to planning permission M19600 (occupancy restriction) at Penybryn Trefeglwys Caersws Powys

**Cllrs agreed unanimously to oppose this application as they feel it should stay as a local needs property.**

### b. Application Ref: P/2018/0502 Grid Ref: 297417.11/290884.39 for Householder: Erection of a side extension to form a ground floor ensuite and covered porch at Golwg-Y-Mynydd, Trefeglwys, Caersws, Powys

**Cllrs agreed unanimously to support this application to allow the family to stay in their home as it will make the property more suitable.**

### c. Application Ref: P/2018/0491

Grid Ref: 295654.3/290729.12 for LBC: Demolition of conservatory, erection of a sunroom and porch and associated alterations at Rhyd Y Carw Trefeglwys Caersws Powys

**Cllrs agreed unanimously to support this application as it will enhance the property.**

**12. Chairman / Councillors Comments:**

**Cllr E Meddins:** Reported that the owner of the Post Office and shop in Staylitttle has confirmed that he has been losing business since the Outdoor Centre has not been in the village.

**Cllr M Smith:** Roadworks are being done up his road which is good to see.

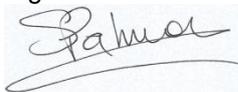
**Cllr N Bennett:** The culvert near Sarn y Glyn is an issue as there is a big dip in the road. Cllr P Davies took the details and will contact the relevant person at PCC.

**13. Date of next meeting:** The next meeting will be held on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at 7.30pm at Trefeglwys memorial Hall meeting room.

Chair Cllr B Crone thanked everyone for attending and closed the open meeting at 9.10pm and opened the closed meeting.

*Council went into closed session for discussion of confidential matters. The Council has deemed that publicity would prejudice the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business.*

Signed:

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

Sophie Palmer (Clerk & RFO)