

**Trefeglwys Community Council  
Minutes of Decisions Made on  
Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2020**

Councillors:	Cllr Morris Smith (Chair) Cllr Derrick Pugh Cllr Paul Tranter Cllr Beryl Crone Cllr David Jerman Cllr Endaf Meddins (joined at 7.44pm)
Apologies:	Cllr Nicholas Bennett Cllr Jane Anwyl (Vice Chair) Cllr Aled Rees Cllr Myra Jones
Present:	Sophie Palmer (Clerk)

**Due to the Coronavirus outbreak the Council has not been meeting in public and will aim to meet in person soon as soon as this is possible and safe. Until this is possible, the meetings will be held remotely.**

1. **Apologies:** As above
2. **Declarations of Interest.** *Declarations of interest whether likely to benefit or disadvantage, should be disclosed prior to commencement of discussion.*  
No declarations of interest were made.
3. Minutes of the remote meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> August 2020 were agreed and proposed as an accurate record by CllrD Pugh and seconded by Cllr B Crone.
4. **Highways:**
  - a. **Passing Places and Resurfacing – Waen** PCC has been chased up for an update, no info received yet as they are waiting to confirm whether passing places were part of the original planning requirement for the poultry unit.
5. **Matters Arising:**
  - a. **Dog Fouling bins in Llawrylgyn** PCC have confirmed that they are unable currently to put a waste bin or specific dog foul bins in Llawrylgyn. They have put up signs. Cllrs agreed for this item to be removed from the agenda.
  - b. **Request for help lobbying to use the emergency services masts installed by the Home Office.** Clerk has contacted Russell George to ask whether he has been in communication with anyone regarding this matter and whether it is a possibility that these masts will be able to be used for the local communities. Russell George has confirmed that it is hopeful that these masts will be available to the communities but they must be up and running and connected first. Clerk will confirm which mast we have received a query about so that information about this mast specifically might be confirmed.
  - c. **Tip in Newtown, local residents having trouble with using trucks etc.** Clerk has found info on the internet regarding the permits required for those using commercial vehicles to get rid of household waste at the tip. The permits are free and can be applied for online through the PCC website. This info will be shared on Facebook etc for those who may not be aware.
6. **Correspondence** *(All correspondence received has previously been forwarded to Cllrs. Cllrs to comment on correspondence relevant to Trefeglwys Community Council):*  
All COVID-19 related updates from various organisations and the Welsh & UK Government have been forwarded to Cllrs and shared online where necessary.
  - a. **Powys CC: Remote meeting between PCC and Town & Community Councils – 15.10.2020:** Clerk will attend this meeting remotely and Cllr D Pugh will also aim to attend on behalf of Chairman Cllr M Smith. Cllrs asked if the clinical waste issue could be raised as TCC has been told this is currently on hold due to Covid. Cllrs suggested this should not be on hold especially during Covid and the increased need for safe disposal of such items. Clerk to chase up.
  - b. **Powys CC: Consultation on Updated Licensing Act Policy** Information noted, no action.
  - c. **Powys CC: Consultation regarding removal of BT phone kiosks** Cllrs discussed and are happy for the kiosk to be removed. Clerk to confirm.
  - d. **One Voice Wales:** Fly tipping Action Wales info and posters Information noted, Clerk to share.

## 7. Reports:

### a. Cllr D Pugh: Executive Board

Cllr. Pugh attended the virtual meeting of the Executive Board of One Voice Wales on the 18th September 2020 where a new Chair and Vice-Chair were appointed. Cllr. Mike Theodoulou was elected as the new Chair and Cllr. Marjorie Thomson as Vice-Chair.

Discussions took place regarding Welsh Government Reports 2020-21 and it was proposed that the next conference may be held virtually. More information on this in due course. One Voice Wales still recommends that Council meetings should be held virtually due to the increased concerns over Covid-19 in Wales. Cllr. Pugh and Cllr. Hugh Patrick, the newly-appointed representatives on the Powys Public Service Board will be participating in the next virtual meeting on Friday, 25th September 2020.

## 8. Planning:

### a. Pre-Planning Application Consultation: Erection of broiler poultry unit and associated infrastructure. Argoed Farm, Trefeglwys, Newtown, Powys

Cllrs discussed the above planning application and there are several concerns, summarised as follows:

- The road system and current infrastructure are not good enough for the vehicles using it presently, the proposal will increase the number of lorries from 55 to 400 annually so there needs to be some major works to make the roads suitable for these.
- The entrances and exits onto the access road will need to be widened
- What will the impact be locally and on the holiday park under construction which is very close to this development?

Clerk to forward comments.

## 9. Finances/Accounts:

### a. Account Balances:

Current Account: £9,001.36

Wind Farm Fund Account: £8,770.06

### b. Payments and Receipts

Monies Out Clerks Wages (Sophie Palmer) = £235.62 (full pay) - £47.00 (PAYE) = £188.62  
Clerks Expenses (Sophie Palmer) = £19.74  
HMRC PAYE tax = £47.00  
SLCC Membership = £53.66

Monies In HSBC (interest) = £0.22

Cllrs raised the matter of changes to Clerks pay scales. Clerk confirmed that there were reviewed pay scales which were sent through and due to come into force in April of this year. Clerk will add this onto the October meeting agenda for discussion.

Bills to be paid were agreed and proposed for payment by Cllr B Crone and seconded by Cllr E Meddins.

## 10. Councillor Comments:

**Cllr B Crone:** What is happening with the consultation on Boundaries of Town and Community Councils? Clerk confirmed that she has received no information on this for some time so will follow up and request an update.

**Cllr B Crone:** thanked the Clerk for helping her to get set up to attend the remote meetings.

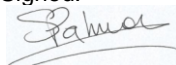
**Clerk:** Should Office 365 be considered in order to utilise Teams for meetings as it is more secure and there are no time limits. Cllrs agreed for this to be discussed at the next meeting.

## 11. Date of next meeting:

The next meeting is scheduled for 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2020.

Chairman Cllr M Smith thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.35pm.

Signed:



Sophie Palmer (Clerk & RFO)