

Trefeglwys Community Council
Meeting
7:00pm, Thursday 23rd February 2012
at Trefeglwys Village Hall Meeting Room

<u>Present:</u> Councillors:	Nick Bennett Michael Breese Davies William Davies John Hughes Rhiannon Jones Sue Preston Derrick Pugh Arthur Williams
In Attendance:	County Councillor Gwilym Evans Mary Shergold (Clerk)
Visitors:	Ffion Jones (Young Farmers) Steven Edwards (Scottish Power)
Apologies:	Cllr Meddins and Cllr Mantle

The Chairman, Cllr Breese Davies, thanked the Vice Chairman in his absence for Chairing the last Council Meeting. The Chairman welcomed Ms Ffion Jones who attended on behalf of the Trefeglwys Young Farmers regarding the Queen's Jubilee.

Approval of Minutes from previous Community Council Meeting, 26th January, was proposed as accurate by Cllr Bennett and seconded by Cllr Pugh, all agreed.

Matters Arising:

Queens's Jubilee:

Beacon: Ffion Jones, Secretary to Young Farmers, confirmed that the Young Farmers were happy to take part in helping with the beacon and celebrations.

The Chairman gave sincere gratitude to the Young Farmers for taking on these various tasks and congratulated them on winning the Pantomime event the previous Saturday.

The Council discussed Jubilee activities further with Ffion and it was agreed for the proposals to be as follows: that there would be a disco for the children from 6-7pm, a magician from 7-8pm and then continue with disco, during this time light refreshments would be available and the bar open. The beacon would be lit later that evening (as per time given by the Queen's Pageantmaster). Apart from the beacon, all the rest would take place in the Trefeglwys Memorial Hall on the 4th June and there would be no charge for this event, other than for food and drink. The Young Farmers will do all the bookings and beacon and Cllr Hughes will make enquiries regarding recovering magician's cost. Clerk to make enquiries regarding bunting, etc. Any profits from refreshments would be passed on to the Young Farmers for taking on this function.

The Chairman invited Ffion to the next council meeting to give an update on developments from the Young Farmers undertakings.

The council were reminded that there were other activities taking place over this bank holiday weekend. The church will be holding a flower festival for three days with one of them set as a

reminiscence night using video links. There are sheepdog trials on the 4th and 5th June, the community are encouraged to attend.

Mugs: A bi-lingual sample of the printout for the mug has been sent for approval of the Community Council. This was approved and it was agreed that the Clerk contact the Head of Ysgol Trannon regarding presentation of Mugs.

The Chairman thanked Ms Jones for attending the meeting and she left the meeting room.

The Chairman welcomed Mr Edwards who had just arrived after being delayed in his journey to the meeting.

Scottish Power: Steven Edwards from Scottish Power informed the Council that there had been so much interest shown in the consultation and SP has been ploughing through over 17,000 responses.

On the back of these responses and based on the contracted applications that SP have had so far, they are intending to scale down their network design proposals to double wood pole design. When asked the height and load Mr Edwards advised 12M and 165MW. However, this is based on the contracted applications they have had so far so could be subject to change. Mr Edwards emphasised that this is bearing in mind that the work is in progress and is still constantly under review.

SP are looking at various criteria, as 3,000 comments were made about socio economic tourism and these will be taken on board. He mentioned that an independent economist could be deployed to look into matters that might give rise to significant impacts and where these are unavoidable some form of mitigation would be considered. At this stage a Declaration of Interest was made for Cllr Williams, owner of the Mid Wales Shooting Ground. Mr Edwards said he would need to meet Cllr Williams and others interested in attending a site visit in the very near future in the Trannon Valley including the shooting ground, for local people to show him the key areas of interest and point out likely impacts.

Mr Edwards advised that hopefully, by the end of March it will be made public where the new hub will be. There will be a further consultation after the announcement of the hub.

The Chairman thanked Mr Edwards for attending and Mr Edwards left the meeting room.

OVW Training – Strong Roots Project: One place has been booked for the ‘Green Futures’ Training Programme. It was agreed that Cllr Pugh would attend.

Boundaries of Parliamentary constituencies in Wales: Glyn Davies MP was very disappointed that the change involves the abolition of Montgomeryshire as a separate constituency. He held a meeting at Welshpool Town Hall on 28th January for Councillors to hold a general discussion on this before submitting his personal objection to the 3 way division of Montgomeryshire and also to the detail of where the boundaries are drawn, as he needed to know the opinion of representatives of the people of Montgomeryshire before forwarding his submission.

The Clerk was asked by the Community Council to give apologies for this meeting and to emphasise that the Community Council strongly opposed to the abolition of Montgomeryshire as a separate constituency and would be writing a letter to this effect to the powers that be. Glyn Davies has warmly acknowledged this and his office has advised that although he had to make his submission a.s.a.p. the Town and Community Councils will have approximately two months to respond, the Conservative office will advise whom to write to in due course. The Clerk produced a draft letter, which the Chairman read out and this was approved by the Council.

Cllr Pugh advised that there was a One Voice Wales Montgomeryshire Area Committee Meeting the following week where this was on the agenda for discussion, he will advise Council of the outcome of this discussion.

Highways: The Chairman advised that not all the signs were completed on the **Trefeglwys – Llawryglyn road**, the damaged large sign had still not been replaced. County Cllr Evans will sort.

Reports:

Website: All the letters have gone out and although the hit rate has soared, so far only a few people have registered.

Sewage Works: Matthew Dare confirmed that the new sewage works is commissioned and operating with all sewage flows diverted away from the old works. The electricity supply has been disconnected and the old sewage works has been drained down and should be empty of sewage. He informed their Contractor of the odour issue TCC referred to and the demolition of the old works was imminent.

Several members of the Community Council confirmed that the demolition had taken place and the area was tidied.

Hall Heating: The Hall Secretary, Karen Symons, has advised that they have been trying for a long time to get the heating system to run effectively. She apologised for the problems and advised that they are able to do some manual adjustments in the interim period whilst the heating is being sorted out on a long term basis.

Finance: Items to be agreed by the Community Council for payment and monies in:

Payments In: Recycling Qtr 2	£45.70
Payments Out:	
Trefeglwys Village Hall	£1,000.00
Clywedog Community Association (Staylittle Hall)	£300.00

Correspondence: To receive those listed below and other items of general correspondence.

Planning Portals. Noted.

Letter from Dyfed Powys Crime Prevention Trust re **Bobby Van Scheme** Annual Review and request for a donation. The Community Council agreed not to donate at this current time.

E-mail from Welsh Government re **Alteration of date of Local Government Elections in Wales** clarifying that the Welsh Assembly Government plan to delay elections to County and County borough Councils and Town and Community Councils by one year from May 2016 to May 2017. The cycle of elections after that will be subject to separate consultation. Noted.

E-mails from **Tenovus** re mobile cancer support unit. Noted.

E-mail Powys County Council re **Safety Partnership Questionnaire** 2012. The Chairman read out the questionnaire and the Community Council agreed their responses.

E-mails from **SLCC** enclosing Branch Newsletter. Noted.

Issue 8 update of the Regenerator from **Powys Regeneration Partnership**. Noted.

E-mail from Pathfinder Officer re **Cambrian Mountains Community Energy Communications Workshop**. Noted.

Letter from Powys Local Service Board re **One Powys Plan**. Noted.

E-mail from David Ramsbotham Petition re **Wind Turbines**. The Community Council agreed to pass this on to TRAPP.

Letter from **Countryside Council for Wales** re ten year review. The maps produced 10 years ago were comprehensive, and so they don't envisage that this review will result in dramatic changes, but in subtle

ones such as modifying boundaries or changes in land use. CCW's website: www.ccw.gov.uk. To be put on noticeboard and website.

E-mail from PCC re **Play Montgomeryshire AGM and Play Forum Meeting**. Noted.

E-mail from One Voice Wales re **Training**. Noted.

E-mail from Llanidloes Town Council re **protest re Bronglais Hospital** changes. Notices put on noticeboards.

Letter Aberystwyth Town Council re **protest to Welsh Government re Bronglais Hospital** changes. Noted.

Letter from PCC re **Post Office Diversification Fund for Wales**. A copy of this has been passed to the Chairman of the Community Shop.

Letter from PCC re **Community Recycling Sites** advising that PCC has now split its operational workforce into 8 'Local Environment' areas and each area has its own team of operatives who will now take responsibility for servicing community recycling sites. Noted.

Details from **Kidney Wales Foundation re Walk for Life/Donation**. The Community Council agreed not to donate at this time. Details passed on to Community Shop re taking part in the Walk.

E-mail attaching letter of acknowledgement from the Welsh Government re **Fire and Rescue Consultation**. Noted.

One Voice Wales IT and Website Questionnaire. This has been completed by the Clerk.

E-mail from OVW re **New Year Honours 2013 Nominations**. Noted.

E-mail from OVW re The Ombudsman's Casebook – Issue 7. Noted.

E-mail from OVW re External Funding newsletter. Noted.

Letter from BDO enclosing the **2012 audit briefing**. Chairman reminded the council that the audit has been brought forward this year to 30th June instead of 30th September.

E-mail from PCC regarding '**Successful Social Enterprise**' event on the 21st March at the Elephant & Castle, Newtown starting at 10am. To be put on noticeboard.

E-mail from OVW re Election clarification:

- 3rd May Local Election Day
- 8th May Current Cllrs retire and newly elected Cllrs take office.
- 22nd May is the last day on which the AGM of a Community/Town Council can take place.

E-mail from OVW regarding Prayers at Council Meetings. Noted.

E-mail from Powys Teaching Health Board re Listening Events. The Board are holding two listening events for Monday, 5th March, 7-8:30pm, at the Llanidloes Community Centre following the release by Hywel Dda Health Board of their discussion document, 'Your Health Your Future'. That document is available on Hywel Dda Health Board's website at the following address: www.hywelddahb.wales.nhs.uk/yourhealth-yourfuture Flyers already put on noticeboards.

All e-mails previously sent to Cllrs prior to meeting.

Planning: To receive and resolve responses to consultations by PCC.

HEDG/2012/0003 Notice to Remove Hedgerows as required by the Hedgerow Regulations 1997 in respect of removal of hedgerow at Trewythen, Llandinam.

P2011 1472 Full Planning Permission has been granted for the erection of 3 greenhouses to replace existing polytunnel at Derwen, Trefeglwys.

Chairman's/Councillors' Comments:

The Chairman advised that he had been approached by a resident regarding **flower beds/boxes** at each entrance to the Trefeglwys Village. The Community Council discussed this and concluded that although they felt this to be a good idea it does raise questions, for example:

- It would need at least three contributions, one for each box – who would be willing to contribute?
- Who would be willing to contribute annually?
- A half rail box would be more suitable to the needs of this but who would regularly maintain them?

It was agreed that the Clerk write to the Highways Department to make enquiries. In the meantime, the Chairman will discuss this further with the resident and report back to the Council.

Cllr Pugh mentioned that he has received complaints about the increased level of **dog fouling** both in the village and near the Glieniant Chapel. It was agreed that the Clerk contacts the Dog Warden.

Cllr Pugh advised that he had received complaints regarding the **branches overhanging the layby by the old school**. It was agreed that the Clerk write to the owner/developers.

Cllr Williams advised that the welcome reception for the **World Shooting Championships** would be on the 26th July 2012. Cllr Williams invited members of the Council to attend, as part of the welcoming committee. A Welsh Minister will be attending this event and it most likely will be the First Minister.

County Cllr Evans advised that there has been a delay with the **extra street lights** that was promised for Trefeglwys, Staylittle and Llawryglyn but this had been due to PCC sourcing a supplier of the LED lights. This has now been sorted and hopefully, the extra lights will be switch on during April.

Date of next meeting: 22nd March, 2012 at 7:00pm

The Chairman closed the Meeting at 10pm