

Trefeglwys Community Council
Meeting
7:30pm Thursday, 26th January 2012
At Trefeglwys Village Hall Meeting Room

Present: Councillors: Nick Bennett
David Mantle
Endaf Meddins
Derrick Pugh
Arthur Williams

In Attendance: County Councillor Gwilym Evans
Mary Shergold (Clerk)

Apologies: Cllr Breese Davies, Cllr Preston, Cllr Hughes, Cllr Jones and Cllr Davies

In the absence of the Chairman the Vice Chairman, Cllr Meddins, took the Chair.

Approval of Minutes from previous Community Council Meeting, 15th December 2011, was proposed as accurate by Cllr Williams and seconded by Cllr Pugh, all agreed.

Matters Arising:

Queens's Jubilee:

Beacon: Aon has confirmed that the current policy would cover this event, provided the Community Council are the sole organisers and in sole control of all activities. However, it would be necessary for any independent persons/groups not under the control of the Parish Council, the owners of any animals or mechanically propelled vehicles to have their own Public Liability cover in respect of their own legal liabilities. Aon has sent through a guideline on special events.

Mugs: A sample mug had been sent for perusal and was approved by the Community Council.

Powys County Council is requesting notification if TCC plan to go ahead with the beacon.

Welsh Government re Fire and Rescue National Framework Consultation: The Community Council perused this and agreed to positively support the proposals.

Traffic Regulation Orders consultation: This was perused and agreed by the Council members to positively support the proposals.

Highways:

Culvert further up from **Black Hall**. Both Cllr Pugh and County Cllr Evans confirmed that this has been remedied.

Signs for the **Trefeglwys-Llawryglyn Road**. Not yet in place, County Cllr Evans has pursued completion of this.

Reports:

Bronglais Hospital: TCC has received a letter from Lesley Griffiths AM, which is in response to TCC's letter of the 25th November that outlined their concerns over Bronglais Hospital. This letter states that the Welsh Government has set out the national context in 'Together for Health', the Welsh Government's five year vision for the NHS in Wales. The case for change was endorsed by the full Assembly in Plenary. These plans should put in place the right local hospital and community services and also consider how specialist services can deliver the best outcomes for patients. Where service changes are planned, the new National Clinical Forum (NCF) will provide clinical advice to Health Boards, through their Chief Executives, on their proposals. The NCF will provide assurance that any new arrangements are clinically

safe and lead to the best possible health outcomes for local populations. The role of the NCF will not undermine the accountability of the Health Boards.

Lesley Griffiths also advised that TCC's letter has been passed to Trevor Purt, the Chief Executive of Hywel DDA Health Board, so that comments on the future of services at Bronglais Hospital are fed into the wider local public and staff engagement mechanisms.

Letters from Russell George and Aberystwyth Town Council re Health Services at Bronglais Hospital have been received, as well as an e-mail from Montgomeryshire Community Health Council re Public Meeting re Bronglais Hospital on the 10th February in Aberystwyth.

Website:

The Clerk has written a letter to the Community to advise and encourage them to register and this will be sent out within a few days.

Finance:

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

Payments In:	
Precept	£1,833.00
Payments Out:	
Clerk Salary October/November/December	£458.02
Clerk's Expenses	£170.54
PCC Licence (Bus Shelter & cycle rank)	£5.00
PCC Inspection of Children's Play Area	£70.00

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

Planning Portals. Noted.

Letter of introduction from **Andrew Evans Landscapes.** Noted.

Letter from **Upper Bridge Enterprises** re latest products services. Noted.

Letter from PCC re **Welsh in Education Strategic Plan.** Noted.

E-mail from **Welsh Government re Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Annual Report.** Noted.

Letter from **Dyfed-Powys Police Authority** re their Audit of Accounts 31st March 2011. Noted and this will be put on Community Council noticeboard.

Letter from **Marie Curie Cancer Care** re donation. The Community Council agreed not to donate on this occasion.

Letter from **SP Energy Networks re Stage 1 Consultation activity and Project Update 2.** They are hoping to announce project proposals in February. Noted.

Montgomeryshire Music Festival advising that the 2012 concert will take place in the Theatr Hafren, Newtown and would appreciate a donation. The Community Council agreed not to donate at this time.

Letter from **Welsh Government** re Health & Social Services regarding **Bronglais Hospital.** Mentioned in 'Reports' above.

Letter from **OVW Montgomeryshire Area Committee** re next meeting which is at 7pm on Tuesday, 28th February at Newtown Town Council Offices. Noted and details passed to Cllr Pugh.

Clerk Brochure and **Clerk & Councils Direct** (Suppliers Guide). Noted.

Kidney Wales Foundation re “Opt for Life Cymru”. Noted.

RWE npower renewables investment newsletter. Noted and this will be put on Community Noticeboard.

E-mail from OVW re **Funding Newsletter**. Noted.

E-mails from OVW re **Training**. Noted.

E-mail from PCC re breakdown of **Recycling**. Noted.

E-mails from **Housing Officer re LDP** – Candidate Sites Register. Noted.

E-mail from OVW re **BBC Documentary**. Noted.

E-mails from OVW and **Welsh Government** re proposal to alter the date of local government elections in Wales by one year from 2016 to May 2017. The Community Council agreed to support this proposal.

E-mail from PCC re **Planning** decision notices. County Cllr Evans advised that PCC is revoking this letter.

E-mail from OVW enclosing a copy of their response to Welsh Government re **Local Government Byelaws (Wales) Bill**. Noted.

E-mail from **Firebrake Wales (The Welsh Fire Safety Charity)** re **Wales Arson Reduction Strategy 2012-2015**. The Community Council perused this and agreed to support the proposals (questionnaire completed).

Letter from PCC re **Village Hall Annual Revenue Grant Scheme**. Clerk to complete.

Letter from Glyn Davies re **Boundaries of Parliamentary constituencies in Wales**. Clerk to write a letter of support in keeping the Boundary for Montgomeryshire as status quo.

Letter from PCC re **Inspection of Playground**. The Community Council agreed to go ahead with the inspection for 2012.

Letters from Russell George and Aberystwyth Town Council re Health Services at **Bronglais Hospital**. TCC Community Council has previously raised concerns – see ‘Reports’ above.

E-mail from Montgomeryshire Community Health Council re Public Meeting re **Bronglais Hospital**. Noted. Notice to be put on Community Council Notice Board.

Letter from PCC re **One Point of Contact for Town and Community Councils**. Noted.

E-mail from Welsh Government re **Section 137 and Borrowing Approvals 2012-13**. Section 137 will be £6.80 for 2012-13. Noted.

Letter from Ceredigion County Council re updates on the LDP **2007-2022**. Noted.

Letter from **Montgomeryshire Against Pylons** enclosing a booklet which explains the enormous impact the proposed Mid Wales connection by National Grid will have on Montgomeryshire. Noted.

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

Planning: P2011 1472 Application for erection of 3 greenhouses to replace existing polytunnel at Derwen, Trefeglwys. Because of PCC's deadline the Clerk had previously e-mailed all council members and there was a majority support for this application.

Chairman / Councillors Comments:

Cllr Bennett asked what was the situation on the gritting procedure for the **Llawryglyn road**, as it is felt that this should be considered on a regular basis, especially in the light of the recent serious accident. County Cllr Evans confirmed that in line of priority for salting is:

1. Trunk roads
2. 'A' roads
3. 'B' roads
4. 'C' roads

County Cllr Evans also confirmed that he has succeeded in getting the Llawryglyn road gritted on recent occasions and will continue to push for this to be done on a regular basis. However, this cannot be guaranteed because of the line of priority. Therefore, it was agreed that the Clerk write to the local highway department in support of this.

Cllr Mantle enquired if the **Sewage Works** has been completed yet. Clerk to write to Southern Trent Water to obtain a date.

Clerk advised that **Stephen Edwards from Scottish Power** is hoping to attend the next CC meeting on the 23rd February.

Cllr Williams requested that the Clerk contact the Hall Secretary regarding the **lack of heating in the Memorial Hall**. All agreed.

Date of next meeting: 23rd February 2012 at 7:00pm

The Chairman closed the Meeting at 9:23pm