

**Trefeglwys Community Council**  
**Minutes of Meeting**  
**7:00pm, Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2013**  
**at Trefeglwys Village Hall Meeting Room**

**Present:** Councillors: William Davies  
Endaf Meddins  
Derrick Pugh  
Beryl Crone  
Janet Williams  
Nick Bennett  
County Cllr Graham Jones

**In Attendance:** Alex Wilson-Mills

**Members of the Community:** 6

**Apologies:** Rhiannon Jones  
Arthur Williams  
John Williams

**Approval of Minutes** from Community Council Extraordinary Meeting of 5 November 2013 proposed by Cllr Crone and seconded by Cllr Davies. Community Council meeting of 28 November 2013 proposed by Cllr Pugh and seconded by Cllr Rowlands.

**Declarations of Interest:** Cllr Nick Bennett declared his interest relating to SPEN and left the room when the matter arose. The Chair confirmed that he had contacted Wynne Richards regarding the code of conduct and read out an email received from him of 10 December 2013 confirming that all Councillors declaring an interest have to leave the room when the subject is being discussed.

**Matters Arising:**

**SPEN** – Steven Edwards had passed on his apologies for not being able to attend and confirmed that he would be attending the January meeting. Steven Edwards confirmed that he had received correspondence from Trefeglwys Community Council and it was being reviewed at present. No further update at present.

The Council discussed writing a letter to Glyn Davies MP and Russell George AM regarding the letters and appendices of 25 October 2012 which had been sent to Mr Steven Edwards of Scottish Power and had not been approved by Council. It was agreed that a letter should be sent advising them of the position the Council who are Statutory Consultees are in. It is not in the Council's interest to propose or retract pylon routes through the community as this could jeopardise their position if and when a planning application came before the Council. Their help is sought in retracting the information so that the Council can return to a Statutory Consultees position.

**One Voice Wales Report** – The Chair read out an email received from the former chairman dated 19 December 2013 regarding any reference to him to be taken out of the report.

The chair had contacted Anne Jones of the Ico and it was confirmed that as the former chairman was in position on the council at the time, then any name/reference does not have to be taken out of the report. This has caused a further delay on the report being sent out to those requesting a copy through the Freedom of Information Act and to the monitoring officer at Powys County Council.

Cllr Pugh apologised for not finishing his response on behalf of the Council by the meeting as he had to research further information and with work commitments and being on a voluntary basis he had not been able to complete the response and still had further work to be done.

Cllr Pugh referred to the council meeting of March 2013. Cllr William Davies confirmed that he was also present at the meeting and it was noted that at the meeting a route was put to the council and the council were expected to agree that night. Cllr Pugh quoted "under no circumstances would the counsellors who are here as consultees agree to any route". Cllr Pugh recalls being taken aback at the meeting and concerned and upon his arrival home rang Cllr Arthur Williams (who was not present at the meeting in March 2013) and put the point to Cllr Williams. Cllr Williams had said that he agreed with what Cllr Pugh was saying.

The council agreed to extend the time for Cllr Pugh to complete the response relating to the One Voice Wales report until 10 January 2014. Upon receipt and approval by fellow councillors the response will be sent to the monitoring officer at Powys County Council along with the Report and Appendices by One Voice Wales along with the responses by the former clerk and former chairman.

### **Vacancy of Councillor**

The clerk had prepared the notices to be put up for the vacancy and the Chair and Cllr Bennett agreed to put them up in Staylitle and Llawr Y Glyn after the clerk forwards them by email.

**60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Queen's Coronation** – The Clerk explained that she had received an email from the company regarding the costs of the notice board, which were higher than previously quoted and it was agreed that the Clerk and Cllr Bennett would look at cheaper alternatives.

### **Highways:**

**Blocked culvert between 'Fron-Derw' and 'Penffynnon'** – A letter had been sent to PCC and at present there was no reply. The council discussed sending correspondence to Severn Trent to see if there would be any action from them. The clerk to contact Severn Trent.

**Road serving Bryn Clywedog, Tremafon, Dolgwyddel Isaf and Dolgwyddel Uchaf** – A letter had been sent for an update on the position and at present there was no reply from Powys County Council. The clerk to chase up the position again.

**Speed Camera Positioning** – Correspondence had been received from the Police Commissioner and the positioning of the speed camera has now been moved to another location.

**FootPath in Village** – No response at present for the letter sent to Powys County Council. Also no response regarding the footpath by Maestrannon. A letter from a concerned member of the public had been received regarding the footpath by Maestrannon. This arrived after the council letter had been sent. The clerk to respond to the local resident explaining the position and that the council are in the process of dealing with the matter.

### **Finance:**

All monies in and out agreed by the council

Monies Out    OVW Understanding the Law 2 places        £40.00

Monies In        Nil

**Reports:**

None

**Correspondence:**

Letter re: RWE npower Renewables – monitoring form for Carno Wind Farm Community Fund. Council discussed and agreed for clerk to look at what was prepared for last year.

Letter re: Eisteddfod 2015 – Llanidloes and surrounding area appeal committee – council discussed and it was agreed that the clerk was to reply and acknowledge receipt of the letter and ask for what plans are in place for raising funds.

Letter re: PCC Coucil Tax Reduction Scheme 2014-15 Consulatation. Noted.

Letter re: PCC Trefeglwys Community Coucil Preecept 2014/15. The council discussed the precept and it was agreed to leave the same as last year. The clerk to review the accounts and raise any concerns.

**Planning:** Planning Application Ref: P/2013/1201, Grid Ref: 297436.92/290986.89 – erection of a two story extension at Cae Garreg, Trefeglwys, Powys. Council discussed and no objections.

**Chairman / Councillors Comments:**

Cty Cllr Graham Jones apologised for missing a few meetings due to illness and wished all a very Merry Christmas.

Cllr Crone advised that two local GP's Dr Green and Dr Leslie will be leaving at the end of March, but there has been good news of late that two new GP's have been appointed from 1 April 2014.

Thanks to the Community Health Council – Montgomeryshire and Ceredigion, Chief Medical Officer/Medical Director for NHS Wales Dr Ruth Hussey wants a review of hospital services specifically Mid Wales as not happy with the services provided.

Also, Llanidloes Hospital will be closing on 3 March 2014 for 1 month for boiler repair work to take place and for other repairs to be undertaken. Hopefully the outpatients will remain open but this is yet to be confirmed.

A Palative Care Unit is to hopefully come to Llanidloes. MacMillan and Marie Curie to possibly help fund but to be confirmed.

**Date of next meeting:** Thursday 23 January 2014.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the Meeting at 9.24pm