

**Trefeglwys Community Council**  
**Minutes of Meeting**  
**7:00pm, Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2013**  
**at Trefeglwys Village Hall Meeting Room**

**Present:** Councillors: Michael Breese Davies  
William Davies  
John Hughes  
Sue Preston  
Derrick Pugh  
**In Attendance:** Mary Shergold (Clerk)  
**❖ Members of the Community:** **One (This was accidentally omitted from the original minutes)**  
**Apologies:** Cllr Meddins, Cllr Jones & Cllrs Williams

The Chairman advised that due to personal and business reasons, Mr Edwards was unable to attend the meeting.

**Approval of Minutes** from previous Community Council Meeting of the 21<sup>st</sup> February was proposed as accurate by Cllr Pugh and seconded by Cllr Preston.

**Declarations of Interest:** None

**Matters Arising:**

**SPEN/MID WALES INQUIRY:** Mr Edwards from SPEN was unable to attend but gave a verbal telephone update to the Chairman earlier that day. The Chairman reported that the document, which was due to be published by SPEN last December, will now be sent out in June this year.

Mr Edwards has requested to attend April's Community Council Meeting, this was agreed by the Council. Mr Edwards advised the Chairman that he met with some residents regarding a possible route and he and his Engineer has found it feasible. It was agreed that the Chairman contact TRAPP to liaise with SPEN regarding this route. Mr Edwards advised the Chairman that he will bring maps of the new corridor illustrating where the actual poles and cables are planned to go.

With regard to the Inquiry, the Chairman reported that this will now be based in Welshpool and could continue until May 2014. The Inquiry will initially run for four days 4<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> June, then adjourn for the Summer. TCC has received several e-mails from Banks Solutions regarding the Inquiry timetable, Expert Witnesses, etc.

Between September and December SPEN plan to have all their applications ready for planning submission.

National Grid has sent a Newsletter stating that they will continue to review their proposals to ensure they meet the needs of the planned energy generation in the area. However, if people delay feedback because of waiting for the outcome of the Inquiry, this could mean there are fewer opportunities to help shape their proposals. Therefore, they would encourage people to make their views known so that they can consider them as they progress.

**Highways:**

*Footpath along the B4569:* TCC has been copied in on a letter from the Community Shop to PCC raising concerns of no footpath. Also, TCC received an e-mail from a resident confirming that he has asked for Russell George to assist in securing a footpath on this stretch of road.

TCC received a letter from PCC prior to their meeting with County Cllr Jones, Cllr Pugh and the Developer, stating the reasons why the footpath cannot be installed at present.

Cllr Pugh reported the outcome of the above meeting, which took place on the 5<sup>th</sup> March. One of the problems was the hedging being too near the road. The Developer agreed to dig a trench and move this back, which would allow for a footpath (temporary or permanent) to be installed from the shop to the bridge by the river. However, this will have to be checked with PCC's Planning Department and, if agreed, this will be completed when birds have finished nesting in the hedges. In the meantime, PCC are going to try to level the ground to allow pedestrians to safely walk along the grass verge until sufficient funds have been secured to install a footpath. It was agreed that the Clerk write to PCC to confirm the results of the meeting and a letter of thanks to the Developer.

*Gleiniant:* Continue to chase PCC for an update.

*Trefeglwys to Llawryglyn road:*

- blocked culvert on the straight length next to Rhydycarw en route to Llawryglyn. The Chairman reported that there are two culverts in this area and one appears to be repaired but the other is still questionable as to its effectiveness. Therefore, it was agreed that this be monitored.
- deep pothole on the on the left hand side approximately 100 yards before 'The Rallt'. Cllr Preston confirmed that this has been filled.

*Blocked culvert between 'Fron-Derw' and 'Penffynnon'.* Clerk to chase this.

**Reports:** None

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

TCC has received the Audit briefing and forms for 2012-13.

Cllr Preston raised the issue of why Llawryglyn did not receive revenue for their hall. The reasons were explained and the fact that the Church owns the hall. However, after discussion Cllr Hughes proposed that as the community of Llawryglyn use the hall for community functions then a donation of £300 to the Association could be made for the benefit of the Llawryglyn Community. Cllr Pugh seconded this and all agreed.

Payments In:	PCC Qtr 3 Recycling	£91.20
Payments Out:	Staylittle Hall	£300.00
	Trefeglwys Village Hall	£1,000.00
	Clerk's salary for Jan/Feb	388.63
	PCC Outdoor Recreation Service (Playground Inspection)	£70.00
	OVW Membership	£107.00
Charity donations.:	Llawryglyn Association	£300.00
	Wales Air Ambulance	£100.00
	Severn Hospice	£100.00
	Citizens' Advice Bureau	£25.00

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

**Planning Portals.** Noted.

E-mails from **Banks solutions** re **Public Inquiry** re Wind farms. Discussed in Matter Arising under SPEN/PIM above.

E-mail from **PAVO** re meetings re **Community Engagement**. Noted.

E-mail from **OVW** re **Model Concerns and Complaints Policy and Guidance**, which is also now on OVW website. Noted.

E-mail from **OVW** re **Regenerating Wales** <http://wales.gov.uk/topics/businessandconomy/regeneration/?lang=en>. Noted.

E-mail from **OVW** re the **Wales Audit Office** report on **The Procurement and Management of Consultancy Services**, which has been published. Noted.

Letter from **PCC Powys Outdoor Recreation Services** re the **Annual Inspection**. Agreed and paid.

Letter from **OVW** re **Membership renewal**. Agreed and paid.

Confirmation of Cllr Breese-Davies and Cllr Preston's **Strong Roots training** in Trefeglwys on 20<sup>th</sup> May. Bursary form was, authorised, completed and signed. The Chairman will now be unable to attend this course and it was agreed that the Vice Chairman be asked to attend in his place.

E-mail from the **Mid Wales Housing Association** re award winning homes in Newtown. 50 at Heol Rhedyn, Vaynor and 23 at Llys and Ffordd Croesawdy. Noted.

**HM Revenue & Customs** re new policy and tax code. Noted.

Letter from the **Dyslexia Wales** organisation re donation. This was been included in the list of donations put forward for 2012-13 donations at this meeting.

**National Grid** update. Mentioned in Matters Arising under 'SPEN/PIM' above.

Letter and information booklets from the **Public Services Ombudsman for Wales** for both councillors and public on 'How to complain'. The public ones to be made available at the Community Shop.

**The Clerk, The Clerk & Councils' Direct** brochures. Noted.

E-mail from **Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Authority** re their **Annual Improvement Plan 2013-2014**. Noted.

E-mail from **OVW** confirming that the next meeting of the **Montgomeryshire Area Committee** will be on Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> April 2013 at the Community Centre, Castle Caereinion. The Leader of Powys County Council, Cllr. David R. Jones will address this meeting about important funding issues. Cllr Pugh was requested to do a press release by OVW and this was read out by the Clerk.

Letter from **PCC** regarding **Charity Trustee Interests** and the decision of the Standards Committee 6<sup>th</sup> February 2013. Noted and a copy to be passed to Cllr Jones.

E-mail Newsletter from **Russell George AM**. Noted.

### **Planning:**

- **P2013 0237** Erection of a single storey extension at **The Cwm**, Trefeglwys. The Community Council discussed this and agreed they had no objections, as the extension was in keeping with the design of the property.

### **Chairman / Councillors Comments:**

Cllr Pugh advised that concerns have been raised by a resident regarding a **pothole on the forecourt of Cwm Trannon Shop**. Cllr Preston responded stating that this will be filled in when the current weather conditions improve.

Cllr Pugh raised concerns regarding filled **dog fouling** bags deposited along the side of the footpath that runs the south side of the Trannon towards the sewage works and exits onto Bodiaoch lane. Although it was suggested that there should be bins made available for dog foul or normal waste bins, the Clerk confirmed that this led to the problem of them being emptied. Therefore, it was agreed that County Cllr Jones be contacted to see what can be done.

Cllr Davies reported that, in **Staylittle**, an approximate **100 yard section of road** servicing 4 houses used to be repaired by PCC but for no apparent reason this is no longer happening. It was agreed that the Clerk write to PCC.

Cllr Davies advised that snow has badly drifted near the Llawnygog village making it virtually impassable. Clerk to write to PCC.

Cllr Preston gave apologies for next month's meeting.

**Date of next meeting:** 18<sup>th</sup> April 2013 at 7:00pm.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the Meeting at 9:15pm.