

**Trefeglwys Community Council  
Minutes of Meeting  
7:30pm, Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2013  
at Trefeglwys Village Hall Meeting Room**

<b>Present:</b>	Councillors:	William Davies Rhiannon Jones Endaf Meddins Derrick Pugh Arthur Williams John Williams Beryl Crone Janet Williams Nick Bennett
<b>In Attendance:</b>		Alex Wilson-Mills (New Clerk) Mary Shergold (Clerk)
<b>Visitor:</b>		Mr R Williams
<b>Members of the Community:</b>		12
<b>Apologies:</b>		County Cllr Graham Jones Cllr Preston

**Approval of Minutes** from previous Community Council Meeting of the 26th September 2013. To be discussed in closed session at the end of the public meeting.

**Declarations of Interest:** Cllrs Nick Bennett and Arthur Williams declared their interest relating to SPEN .

**Matters Arising:**

**Mid Wales Connection re National Grid / SPEN / Public Inquiry:**

The Chair summarised the information provided by SPEN at the public presentation on 16 October 2013 and stated that both routes are still in contention and that it is important that the community complete the feedback forms and the way forward is to push for undergrounding of the route.

The chair addressed the council and the members of the public for their opinions and feedback and suggestions.

It was agreed by all that a letter was to be sent to SPEN for an extension of the deadline of 6 December 2013, as information had not been passed on to members of the public directly affected by the route and in order for a case to be put forward extra time would be required. The clerk to do a letter (AWM).

It was also pointed out that a number of points referenced in the September 2013 SPEN Report are incorrect. A letter from a member of the public outlining all the incorrect points was handed to the Clerk to add these factors into the letter to SPEN.

After much discussion between the council and the public it was agreed that a small group, consisting of members of the public along with a councillor would put together a letter comprising local issues to be raised and to push for undergrounding. It was stressed by the Chair that the council under no circumstances would not put forward or propose any routes but would push for undergrounding and see what routes SPEN may then suggest.

Cllr Pugh read out a statement that is to be included in the letter from One Voice Wales "Undergrounding of cables from new power generation schemes is the view of its members throughout Wales and One Voice Wales will now support this policy".

The proposed letter is to be approved by the council and then it was agreed that it is to be circulated by hand to every householder in the Parish. This way every householder is aware of the ongoing consultation and can sign the letter to oppose the routes, if they wish.

#### **Highways:**

All matters adjourned to November's meeting.

#### **Finance:**

All matters adjourned to November's meeting.

#### **Reports:**

Reports adjourned to November's meeting.

#### **Correspondence:**

Letter re **National Eisteddfod** returning to Montgomeryshire in 2015. To discuss in November's Meeting.

#### **Planning:**

**Application Ref: P/2013/0993.** Application for change of use from agricultural storage and workshop building and yard, to vehicle and plant maintenance workshop and ancillary yard (B1 Light Industrial) at Grandstand, Trefeglwys, Caersws. Discussed and no objection.

**Application Ref: P2013 0755.** Amended proposals for erection of an affordable dwelling and formation of vehicular access track at land adjacent Brooklyn, Trefeglwys, Caersws.

Cllr Arthur Williams declared an interest and sat away from the table. The council discussed the revised plans and had no objections.

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

Cllr D Pugh raised a matter brought to his attention by a member of the public. On trying to access the minutes from the website the individual encountered issues with the password system. They did not wish to register and asked why such a small community council had such systems in place.

Cllr D Pugh proposed that the password capture system be removed. This was seconded by Cllr Bennett and Cllr Crone. The clerk (AWM) to organise this.

**Date of next meeting:** 28<sup>th</sup> November 2013 at 7:30 pm.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the Public Meeting at 8.30pm

Members of the public then left the meeting for the closed session to commence.