

Trefeglwys Community Council
Minutes of Meeting
7:00pm, Thursday 27th November 2014
at Trefeglwys Village Hall Meeting Room

Present: Councillors: Endaf Meddins (Chairman)
Rhiannon Jones
Derrick Pugh
Beryl Crone
Arthur Williams
Myra Jones
County Cllr Graham Jones

In Attendance: Alex Wilson-Mills

Members of the Community: 0

Apologies: Nick Bennett, William Davies, Janet Rowlands and David Jerman.

Approval of Minutes from Community Council Meeting 23rd October 2014 proposed by Cllr Rhiannon Jones and seconded by Cllr Crone.

Declarations of Interest: Cllr Arthur Williams declared an interest regarding SPEN and planning and left the room when the matters were discussed. Cllr Jones remained in the meeting as there was dispensation for her to do so, regarding SPEN but she would not be allowed to speak.

The Chair thanked Cllr Pugh for his representation at the Remembrance Service. Gwilym Evans MBE, had arranged for the wreath for the service and the council expressed their gratitude for this and it was agreed to reimburse the fees incurred by Gwilym Evans MBE.

Matters Arising:

SPEN –

The council discussed a draft letter which was approved to be sent to SPEN following their attendance at the meeting of 23 October 2014.

One Voice Wales Report – The clerk confirmed that there had been no response from the Monitoring Officer. It was proposed that the matter should now be closed which was agreed by all councillors.

RoSPA Play Area Safety Inspection – the clerk confirmed that the Safety Inspection form had been received and completed and returned to PCC by 21 November 2014 for the next inspection for 2015.

The Old School – As Cllr Jerman was not present the matter will be raised at next month's meeting.

Highways:

Penffrydd Road – the clerk read out a letter received from PCC acknowledging the councils letter and that they will look into it.

Speed Limit Signs – the clerk confirmed that a letter had been sent to PCC to enquire about the possibility of illuminated speed restriction signs at the edge of the village and the costs involved, currently waiting on a response.

Reports - None

Finance:

All monies in and out agreed by the council

Monies Out

Clerk's Wages October 2014 (gross)	£160.38
Clerk's Expenses October 2014	£ 44.86

Monies In	Beaufort Wind	£1,434.48
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Correspondence:

Post

- PCC – Concurrent Functions – Cemeteries, discussed by the council as they do not have responsibility for any cemeteries no action required.
- Urdd National Eisteddfod 2015 – noted.
- PCC Branch Library Opening Hours – reduction in opening hours of the library – noted.
- Russell George AM – Mid Wales Healthcare Study Report – noted.

E mail

All email correspondence received had previously been forwarded to community councillors. No correspondence was raised by councillors for discussion as not considered appropriate for Trefeglwys Community Council.

Planning:

- 12.11.14 - Application Ref: P/2014/1079. Grid Ref: 299790.27/287669.46 for Full: Erection of single scale 15kw micro wind turbine at Bwlch, Llandinam, Powys. Previously discussed and no objections.
- 19.11.14 - Application Ref: P/2014/1089, Grid Ref: 298105.23/291181.69 for Full: Construction of earth bund at Mid Wales Shooting Centre, The Ffinant, Trefeglwys, Caersws, Powys. Discussed and no objections.
- 24.11.14 – Application Ref: P/2014/1100, Grid Ref: 288882.74/292070.93 for Full: Demolition of existing single storey side and rear extensions. Conversion of redundant chapel to dwelling house, including the formation of a vehicular access, parking area with retaining walls and erection of a garden room/studio/games room (amended scheme to P/2014/1069 & P/2014/0554) at Staylittle Baptist Chapel, Staylittle, Llanbrynmair Powys.

Chairman / Councillors Comments:

Cty Cllr Jones raised the issue of complaints being made by members of the public directly to individual councillors regarding planning applications. The council discussed in detail and agreed that in future any complaints by members of the public need to be made in writing, with signatures, and to be brought to the council's attention and not to any individual councillor. Failure to do so will result in the council not fully giving their support as it is vital that a signed letter of complaint is on file for reference.

Cty Cllr Jones also raised the matter of the changes to grass cutting which was briefly discussed in October's meeting. Cty Cllr Jones explained that roadside grass cutting was not to be part of the cutbacks by PCC, at present.

Cllr Crone expressed that a local nurse – Veronica Jerman had been nominated for nurse of the year and had won the title. Cllr Crone continued to ask whether it would be possible for a video to be uploaded on the website for her achievements. The council agreed that this would be possible once the footage had been made.

Cllr Pugh raised the issue of the Penyrwtra road where the gutter is causing problems for traffic passing. It was agreed that a letter be sent to PCC to raise awareness.

The clerk read out her letter of resignation of 9 November 2014 and explained that due to personal circumstance she would be unable to continue in her role and that the date of the last meeting to be attended will be 18 December 2014. The clerk continued by thanking the council for their support and wished them well in the future.

The clerk read out an email received from Roger Malvern of Upperbridge offering his services of updating the website on behalf of the clerk for an annual fee of £80. The council discussed the matter and thought it would be a possibility to consider especially as a new clerk will have to be assigned.

Date of next meeting: Thursday 18th December 2014.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the Meeting at 9.14pm.