

Minutes of the meeting of the Llanbadarn Fawr Community Council held on Thursday 6th August 2015 at 7.00p.m.

Present: Tony Cooke, Mike Phillips, Derek Price, Phil Knill, Peter Green, Cllr. John Powell, Jenny Oglethorpe (Clerk), Karen Hanmore and Pete Chambers.

Apologies: D.Huw Jeffreys.

TC welcomed KH and PC to the meeting and explained the role of the community council. Both had responded to the notice re. Vacancies and possible co-option.

Minutes:

Minutes of the meeting held 4th June 2015 were discussed. Amendment to item 2 under Highways and PCC matters - 4th ranking is for Co2 emissions and not recycling. Minutes then agreed as a true record of the meeting. Draft watermark to be removed and copy signed post meeting.

Matters Arising:

- None

Highway and PCC Matters:

- Cycle-path update – PCC are progressing to outline design, very little opposition from land owners. There are a few pinch points on route that will need to be overcome but overall good progress is being made. Community Council will be consulted prior to design being submitted to Welsh Government.
- Transport update – PCC would like more rural coverage on bus routes, to enable this some town services will be reduced. Plans are currently being finalised.
- School modernisation plans are now behind time scale due to the judicial review taking place over Brecon campus plans. Llandrindod Wells / Builth Wells plans will not be discussed further until outcome of judicial review is known.
- New recycling centre will be sited on existing town site (Waterloo Road). Potters recycling have been awarded county wide contract and improvements to site will take place by January 2016. The site will be staffed and open during working hours only. Llandegley site currently hold the contract until January 2016.

Village and Community Matters:

- Several members have received comments on how good the roundabout is looking. Thanks given to TC for his work on this. Watering the roundabout during dry spells is an issue. After some discussion it was suggested that Corporate Fun be approached to see if they would be willing for water butts to be attached to their stores. DP to discuss with owner of business.
- Grass cutting – Two of the three free of charge cuts for the roundabout area have taken place. A local resident has volunteered to cut the Tan-y-Fron playarea grass. Meeting agreed that residents petrol receipts should be submitted to the council for reimbursement. Discussion took place around cutting of hedges around playareas. TC to contact PCC Grounds foreman to clarify prior to the need for cutting.
- Concern expressed that hedges along the path from the community centre to the roundabout, hedges to either side of the bus shelter opposite Penybryn estate entrance and those bordering part of the Badgers Green estate all require cutting as causing obstructions for pedestrians.
- Signs have been erected in the post office building stating that it will be re-opening. Correspondence from the post office Ltd. has confirmed that they have received initial interest from someone but no application, business plan review or interviews have taken place as yet.

Community Centre Updates

- AGM is due to take place on the 18th August 2015. DP will feedback to the next meeting.
- Receipt for 2014/15 financial year donation was discussed.
- Discussion took place regarding rotating the venue of the meetings of the com. Council so that expenditure would be distributed around village. Concluded that this discussion would continue at the next meeting.
- PCC are currently looking at revising the grants paid to community centres. These grants may no longer be available.
- Meeting discussed the lack of community centre committee members, independent members are needed. DP to raise this issue at the AGM.

Correspondence:

- Email received from Post Office Ltd. and responded to as per Village and Community matters.
- PCC email received regarding Centenary Fields partnership. No suitable open space within the Com. Council boundaries.
- Confirmation email received from Smoke free playgrounds initiative to say we will be included when signs are available.
- Email regarding three weekly rubbish collection consultation. Poster to be displayed on noticeboard.
- Notification of temporary road closure 06.08 – 10.08 Penybont to Llandewi Road. - noted.
- Playground leases returned. Amendments to signature page required as PCC had assumed that the Com. Council use a seal for documents. Signatures need to be witnessed by an independent person, agreed that Bridge Club would be asked prior to the start of next meeting if they would be willing to witness.

Finance:

- First precept payment received from PCC is lower than last years payment. Figures to be checked by TC/Clerk.
- Cheques written for Clerks wages £ 120.00, Community Centre affiliation fees and meeting room hire (December 2014 – June 2015) £ 90.00 and PCC invoice 10181402 for grass cutting April and June 2015. £ 468.00. Acceptance of payments proposed by PK and seconded by DP.
- Current account : £2517.20 (as of 22.07.15)
- Savings account : £ 1751.08 (as of 27.06.15)

Planning:

- Notification of additional information available re. P/2015/0247 Installation of Endurance X35 225kW wind turbine land between A488 Craig Hill nr. Bleddfa. – discussed, no objections raised.
- P/2015/0646 Two storey extension to existing dwelling. Re-submission of withdrawn application. No objections raised.

Any other business:

- MP stated that he is still experiencing issues with internet connection and therefore has not been able to update the website. It is hoped that issues will be resolved in the near future.

Meeting closed at 8.45pm

Next meeting will be held on Thursday 3rd September 2015 7pm.