

CYNGOR CYMUNED LLANDYSILIO COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of a meeting held on Thursday 22nd October 2015 in Four Crosses Village Centre at 7.30 p.m. *llandysilio-council.org.uk*

Present:- Chairman Councillor Chris Gilliard, Councillors D K Evans, C M Jenner, D M Foulkes, W J Lee, J C Benbow , Frances Buckingham, N H Savage, Mrs P Shapter.

Apologies:- Cllr E A Jones. 2014/420

Minutes of last meeting 24th September were circulated confirmed and signed. 2015/423

Matters arising:-

2015/424 (2015/389) Cllrs D M Foulkes and Frances Buckingham together with the Clerk had attended the meeting of North Montgomery Cluster on Tuesday 20th October at Llanymynech Village Hall 7 p.m when David Powell and Lisa Griffiths had represented the Powys County Council. 6 Community Councils had been represented but unfortunately no further financial details were available from Powys County Council. Letter had been received from Leader of the County Council to say that no firm decision had yet been made on any funding for devolved services. It was agreed that there were several legal questions that needed to be addressed as well as financial and David Powell promised to send a representative to a meeting of the Clerks when these questions could be answered. Community Councils agreed that they could ask local contractors for a price re; grasscutting to see if it was close to the figure supplied by Powys County Council.

2015/425 (2015/390) Clerk had met with Officer responsible for maintenance of Foxen Manor on Thurs 22nd Oct. He was shown the leaning fence down the passageway leading to the Play Area and promised to check whose responsibility this was. He was also shown the weedy pavements particularly around Birch Close and the Foxen Manor Road – he agreed to spray the whole Estate. Sinking parts of the paviors was noted outside Plas Foxen Farmhouse and No 4 Foxen Manor Road. Although the shrubs have now been trimmed it was agreed that these needed further pruning so that the problems doesn't reappear next Spring.

2015/426 (2015/394) Cllr Frances Buckingham noted that the potholes, although marked, had not yet been repaired as promised at the next meeting.

2015/427 (2015/419) County Cllr E A Jones is currently investigating whether Powys County Council can re-visit their decision re; granting the power to issue fines for dog fouling to PCSO's

2015/428 (2015/422) Awaiting update from Highways Dept re: Newbridge. It was agreed that the recent traffic accident which closed Llanymynech Bridge had led to traffic chaos at Newbridge with many vehicles exceeding the weight limit.

2015/429 (2015/392) Update had been received from Severn Trent Water to say that they had experienced problems in renewing the water pipe due to the presence of the vacuum sewer. Work will be finalized in Four Crosses and then the remainder of the work in Llandrinio will be postponed until Spring 2016. Cllrs felt that residents parking their vehicles by the entrance to Foxen Manor was making it very difficult for lorries/buses to enter the Business Park.

Sports & Recreation

2015/430 Police had been informed of the discovery of empty gas canisters by the electricity sub-station. There is also evidence of cans/cigarettes by the footbridge over the Sarn Wen Brook. Clerk has asked the Police to include Foxen Manor in their routine patrols.

2015/431 The Junior Pitch is now being used regularly and it was noted that a large dip was now

appearing in the centre of the pitch – Cllr J C Benbow will go and look and advice what work is necessary.

Planning

2015/432 Following last months exhibition by Severn Trent Water on the proposed work needed to the Llys Rhysnant Sewage works confirmation has now been received that planning permission will now be applied for.

Correspondence

2015/433 Update from Powys County Council to confirm that three weekly wheelie bin collection will start from Monday 2nd Nov. Clerk to ask if the smaller wheelie bins can now be changed for larger ones.

2015/434 Natural Resource Management Bulletin received from Welsh Assembly

2015/435 Notice from Powys County Council that Grants will be reduced to Concurrent Functions and to Village Halls.

2015/436 Donation request from Powys Citizen's Advice Bureau. It was proposed by Cllr J C Benbow and seconded by Cllr C M Jenner that a Grant of £50 be awarded.

2015/437 Email from Mr Mike Palyfreyman giving an update on the review carried out by Powys County Council on local bus services. Unfortunately they had not taken up his suggestion of charging a small fee instead of giving the free bus passes.

2015/438 Notice from the Wales Audit Office that Grant Thornton will become the appointed auditor for the current financial year.-noted

2015/439 Flu Poster received from Powys Teaching Health Board.

2015/440 Update from Russell George A.M following a meeting to discuss the findings of the Clywedog and Vrynwy Flood Benefits review. Decisions to allow the release of water will sent to local Community Councils.

2015/441 Notification of Draft Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Bill which is seeking to extend the powers of the Ombudsman.

2015/442 Copy of email received from the Chief Executive of Shrewsbury & Telford Hospitals N.H.S Trust to confirm that no plans are in place to close an A & E Department as part of the winter planning measures.

2015/443 Consultation from Welsh Government on a Green Paper looking at improving the quality of healthcare services in Wales – Clerk to respond that Welsh patients need the same access to hospitals/services as English patients.

2015/444 Statement received from Minister for Finance and Government Business re; the new Land Transaction Tax and Landfill Disposal Tax.

2015/445 Invitation form Russell George A.M to attend a meeting of mobile phone operators on Fri 13th Nov at 2 p.m in Newtown – Chairman offered to attend. October newsletter also received.

2015/446 Consultation received via the Powys Association of Voluntary Organisations on the consequences of cuts to the voluntary youth organisations.

2015/447 Cuttings Magazine for circulation.

2015/448 Notice of meeting of North Montgomeryshire Local Council Forum on Tues 3rd Nov at 7 p.m

2015/449 Clerk had renewed subscription to Society of Local Council Clerks and it was agreed to reimburse 50% at £59.00

Accounts

2015/450 Bank reconciliation at 30th September 2015

Current Account	£ 573.67
Sports & Recreation Acc	£ 274.38
Deposit Account	£26675.69
Parc Hafod	£35720.32

Account Book was checked and initialed by Cllr C R Gilliard.

2015/451 Permission to pay;-

i) Llandysilio Church £10.00 Hire of Old School House on the 24th August under L.G.A 1972 s112

ii) BDO –Auditor £390.00 under Audit Commission Act 1982 s2

iii) Mrs c E Davies £59.00 under L.G.A 1972 s112

iv) Powys Citizen Advice Bureau £50.00 under L.G.A 1972 s137

2015/452 External Audit now completed by BDO Plc – Issues arising was that the Fixed Bonds should be considered as Assets.

2015/453 Staffing sub-committee have met on Tuesday 20th October to discuss the Clerk's Salary.

Its recommendations of increasing a spinal point and increasing the hours per week to 8.5 were discussed and agreed. Clerk had received a letter offering N.E.S.T as a Pension scheme.

Complaints

2015/454 New footbridge over the Sarn Wen ditch had not yet been finished – Clerk to remind Footpath Officer.

2015/455 Clerk to ask Highways to repair pothole by Old Creamery at the same time as the ones marked over the Canal Bridge.

2015/456 Cllrs had received complaints that an advertising sign in the field at Rhandregwynwen was causing a distraction to motorists – Clerk to notify Highways Dept.

Any other Business

2015/457 Congratulations were given to Mrs Susie Jay who would be celebrating her 100th birthday on the 4th November.

2015/458 Cllrs were informed that the Service at the War Memorial would be at 11.15 a.m following the 10.00 a.m Service at St Tysilio Church.

2015/459 Cllrs were reminded of laws in relation to Fireworks;-

- * It is illegal for anyone under 18 to be in possession of fireworks in a public place
- * It is illegal for anyone to set off fireworks after 11p.m except on recognised dates such as Nov 5th Bonfire Night and New Year.

Meeting closed 8.55 p.m

Next Meeting Thursday 26th November at 7.30 p.m