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Draft Minutes of a meeting held on Thursday 27th October 2022 in Four Crosses Village Centre at 7.00 p.m (also accessible via zoom)

Present: Chairman Cllr Frances Buckingham, Cllrs D M Foulkes, Mrs D Kendall , E A Jones, Mrs V Holloway, D C Harris, N H Savage and D M E Lloyd

Apologies were accepted from Cllrs C M Jenner & W J Lee 2022/424

Chairman welcomed Jason Leach from the Canal & River Trust and Colin Phillips Interim Regeneration Project Manager from the Canal & River Trust. They also introduced Katherine who would be involved in the community engagement programme. 2022/425

Colin explained that the role of Powys County Council as to oversee the Levelling up Fund Projects and report back to the U.K Government. They will be looking to carry out an Evaluation Survey in Nov/early Dec.

Jason explained that the proposed work on the Montgomery Canal between Llanymynech and Welshpool would be good news for the local economy and whilst the section will not yet be open to boats it will mean that paddle boarding and other activities can take place. The work will involve rebuilding Bridges, creating 3 nature reserves, feasibility study on the repairs needed to the Vyrnwy Aqueduct and dredging 4.4 km and will be carried out over a 5 – 10 year time span. The Canal & River Trust will shortly be consulting with the public prior to submission for Planning permission in Dec/Jan. They are also currently looking at the options available for the re-build of Williams Bridge by Newbridge. 3 options available, - moveable bridge, fully rebuild the Bridge and re-configure the road or the introduction of a speed limit. The first bid for Lottery Funding in respect of the work needed to the Vyrnwy Aqueduct was unsuccessful but they are hoping to re-submit. Open Days are going to be held in local Village Halls when plans will be available to view.

Questions raised by Councillors were:-

- Would they also carry out repairs to other Bridges as part of the work i.e Bridge 98 – response is yes they are looking to upgrade all the structures along the route.
- Are they looking for local farmers to take any of the dredging's? – response was yes and they are currently confirming with the Welsh Gov that there will be derogation under the NVZ rules to allow these to be spread. Mineral levels will be also monitored.
- What is the current estimate to repair the Aqueduct? – answer 3m to re-line this Grade II Listed structure
- Will a maintenance plan be put into place so that the hedges are better maintained and the towpath is accessible all year round? – Yes they aim to finish the Project with a clear maintenance schedule.
- Dog fouling continues to be a problem – response was that this was a common problem along the whole Canal network.
- Request made that any Evaluation survey should be available online and also in paper format – could be placed in local shops & Post Office.

Minutes of the last meeting held on Thursday 29th September 2022 had been circulated. The Minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman. 2022/426

Matters arising from meeting of 29th September 2022

2022/427 (2022/364) Clerk has contacted the new Portfolio Holder County Cllr Jackie Charlton re: the 3 bus shelters in the Village & resent John Forsey photographs of the Bus Shelters to show the repairs needed.

2022/428 (2022/369) Clerk had asked Powys County Council if any other Council ground would be available for Allotments – copy of response had been circulated which confirmed that no land is available within the Village.

2022/429 (2022/370) Draft Training Plan had been circulated which was approved and signed by the

Chairman. Clerk would circulate the Training Modules available for Nov and Dec to Councillors. Chairman has a link to online learning which will also be included. Clerk to keep a record of when Councillors have undertaken any training.

2022/430 (2022/422) Letter sent to Leader of Powys County Council detailing the issues in the Village where we are still waiting for responses – acknowledgement received with a detailed reply within 10 working days.

2022/431 (2022/423) Clerk confirmed that the change of name from the Golden Lion to Ty Llew seems to be acceptable as a change of branding and that the property has continued as a Hotel.

Sports & Recreation

2022/432 Clerk & Cllr Bill Lee viewed the CCTV following a complaint made to the Police but no evidence could be seen on the cameras.

2022/433 Thanks were given to Cllr Arwel for completing the Maintenance log for October. Cllr Arwel agreed to re-fix the litter bin following a vehicle reversing into it and will also replace 5 missing picket fences on the boundary fence. Cllr Mrs Donna Kendall offered to complete for November.

2022/434 Clerk reminded ORP for an estimate to add a further camera to the CCTV

2022/435 Notice from Scottish Power that their tariff ends on the 30th Nov – details attached of fixed offers available had been circulated. It was agreed to fix for 3 years.

County Cllr Arwel update

2022/436 (2022/379) North & Mid Wales Trunk Road Agency had confirmed that the section of Trunk road at Wrexham was replaced for different reasons than noise and they didn't see how they could progress the matter any further. Cllrs asked if 2 sections of the road could be monitored to try and highlight the differences in pitch – i.e Llanymynech to Church House and then Church House to the Roundabout.

2022/437 (2022/380) Confirmation from North & Mid Wales Trunk Road Agency that the Roundabout will be reviewed as part of a Safety Measures Scheme but timescale not yet known.

2022/438 (2022/214) Compensation claim put in by resident to Powys County Council following damage to a wheel & tyre caused by a pothole – Cllr Arwel agreed to look into why this is taking so long for Powys County Council to come to a decision as to whether to reimburse.

2022/439 Cllr Arwel had visited the new recycling centre opened at Abermule – problems with recycling collection is still continuing due to shortage of staff.

Planning

2022/440 (2022/382) Confirmation received from Powys County Council that in relation to 22/0811/FUL Erection of 3 log cabins at Laburnum House that Conditions 4,5 and 6 have now been discharged under application 22/1383/DIS but that a separate Enforcement case is currently taking place with regard to conditions 8 and 10 in relation to the access.

2022/441 (2022/383) Powys County Council have replied to Cllr Arwel's call in request, to explain that the Revised plans and amended Flood Consequence Plan submitted do not materially change the proposed scheme re: 22/0490/RES – Reserved matters application for the erection of 3 dwellings at Four Crosses Inn and therefore it will not be brought before the Planning Committee.

Correspondence

2022/442 Leaflet from Ramblers seeking pledges of support for more public money to be spent on maintaining the public footpaths

2022/443 Powys Regional Partnership Board newsletter for Autumn - noted

2022/444 Consultation from Welsh Gov on planned reform of Electoral System – more details to follow

2022/445 Clerk completed a survey received from the Local Government and Housing Committee as to community assets – Report now available.

2022/446 Clerk also completed a survey from the Climate Change Officer at Powys County Council to ask what information/training is needed

2022/447 details from Royal British Legion of Grants available for veterans and their families

2022/448 Invitation from Class 3 of Llandysilio Church in Wales School for Councillors to hear the children's vision and ideas for a more sustainable community.- Councillors were keen to hear the children's views and Clerk would contact the School for possible dates in the morning if possible.

2022/449 Draft Report under the Biodiversity and Resilience of Ecosystems Duty had been circulated. It was agreed to include the support of the regeneration of the Montgomery Canal. This would be included in the document which was approved and signed by the Chairman.

2022/450 Email was noted from campaigners wishing to halt the closure of the Air Ambulance at Welshpool calling for Community Council's to lobby the Community Health Council to request a full public consultation.- Service Development Proposal briefing also received from the Emergency Ambulance Services Committee

2022/451 Donation request from the Urdd National Eisteddfod 2023 which will be in Carmarthenshire - noted

2022/452 Email update from Cllr Jake Berriman to confirm that bi-annual liaison meetings will be organized in relation to Planning issues and that Planning Officers contact Town & Community Council's at least once a month. Clerk to check whether this means twice a year or once every 2 years.

2022/453 Draft Annual Report from the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales is suggesting a payment of £156 per year per Councillor to cover the costs of working from home and also £52 a year for consumables or the ability to claim full reimbursement for any consumables. Cllrs felt that the flat allowance was not needed and that it was already agreed that any expenses in the line of their role as a Community Councillor would be reimbursed. Clerk to respond to say that if Councillors decide not to claim these allowances they should not be viewed or treated any differently from those who have claimed them.

2022/454 Friends of Montgomery Canal newsletter was circulated.

2022/455 Donation request from Friends of Llandysilio School towards cost of replacing the broken goal posts. This request had also been forwarded to the Deytheur Trust Foundation. Cllrs understood that it has been difficult to recruit parents onto the P.T.A and lack of funds to repair facilities has suffered as a result. It was agreed to find out how much the replacement posts would cost and to wait until a decision has been made by the Deytheur Trust to see if there is any shortfall.

2022/456 Email from Practice Manager at Llanfyllin Surgery looking to put together questions and answers sheet to share with patients and would be grateful if Councillors could come up with some suitable questions.

Suggested questions were:-

- Why is there no answer when you ring the Surgery
- If you visit the Surgery there does not appear to be any other patients waiting
- Why are there so many training days and what types of training is undertaken
- How is the recruitment going for GP's
- Has the Practice considered the use of Advanced Nurse Practitioners

2022/457 Poster has been received showing the services available at Pharmacies

2022/458 Details available of the THINK Transport Fund to improve road network

2022/459 Details of the revised Boundary Commission proposals had been received

2022/460 Details from Powys County Council of a dedicated website to help with the cost of Living crisis – www.powys.gov.uk/costofliving

Accounts

2022/461 Bank Accounts at 27th October 2022:-

Current Account	£ 2082.85
Sports & Recreation Acc	£ 3069.63
Deposit Account	£32285.39
Parc Hafod	£28206.43

Bank Accounts were checked and initialed by the Chairman Cllr Frances Buckingham.

2022/462 Permission granted to pay:-

- i) Mrs C E Davies (reimbursement of water charges) £78.66 under s19 (3) L.G (misc purposes) Act 1976
- ii) Glover Sure £69.60 for 2 yr renewal of domain name + SSL for 1 year under L.G.A 1972 s112
- iii) Mrs C E Davies (reimbursement of 50% of cost of renewal of SLCC sub) £72.00 under L.G.A 1972 s112

2022/463 H.S.B.C were posting new Bank Mandate forms – Clerk to investigate whether it might be possible to transfer Account to Lloyds Bank or NatWest.

2022/464 Notice of changes to H.S.B.C Terms and conditions were noted.

2022/465 Budget as at 27th October 2022 was discussed and agreed.

2022/466 External Audit has finally been completed for the year ending 31st March 2021 with no issues raised.

Complaints

2022/467 Stalemate has happened with regard to the maintenance of Sarn Wen ditch. Hafren Dyfrddwy say the exposed sewer pipes are due to the Builder's installation of the fence along the ditch. NRW won't clean the ditch until these pipes have been moved and the builders Shinglers saying they have not caused the problem. Clerk to contact Russell George for advice and also whether to set up a meeting between all parties.

2022/468 Street lighting notified that FC266 is not working on Domgay corner

2022/469 Highways log had been updated and circulated. This showed that gullies still remain a problem, particularly at Greystones and Domgay Chapel.

2022/470 Clerk had reminded North & Mid Wales Trunk Road Agency of temporary barriers still in place after the Spring floods opposite Ty Coch – these have now been removed. They had also been reminded of the broken fence on the roundabout.

2022/471 Clerk to ask Hafren Dyfrddwy to take down the Road Closure sign as the date has now passed and the work completed.

2022/472 Work carried out by Powys County Council to clear the attenuation ponds seem to take a lot of manpower and take a long time – Clerk to try to find out cost of this work & question the method of work.

Any other business

2022/473 It was noted that the Service of Remembrance will be held at the War Memorial on Sunday 13th November at 11.00 a.m. Cllr Mark offered to dig the hold so that the new Lime Tree can be planted at the same time.

2022/474 Cllr Arwel explained that owner of Greenfield Farm was preparing a diversion route for the Footpath – further details to follow.

2022/475 A motion has gone to cabinet to review the Home to school Transport Policy – Councillors were dismayed to hear that siblings were not allowed to catch the same bus to Llanfyllin and had to be taken to Carreghofa to catch a separate bus. Cllr Arwel will provide an update at the next meeting following this review.

Meeting closed 9.10 p.m

Next Meeting;-

Thursday 24th November 2022 Four Crosses Village Centre