

NEW RADNOR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Thursday 11th January, 2018 At 7.30 p.m. in the Community Centre, New Radnor

1. Present: Cllrs. R. Harris (Chairman), J. Hodge (Vice-Chairman), E. Blackman, M. Cooper, E. Giordano.

In Attendance: Mrs T. Price, Clerk; County Cllr. M. Jones.

2. Apologies: Cllrs. N. Dodman, K. Williams.

3. Declarations of Interest:

Personal Only: None.

Personal and Prejudicial: None.

4. Minutes: The Minutes of the meeting held on 14th December, 2017 were approved as circulated and duly signed by the Chairman, Cllr. Harris.

5. Matters Arising from the Minutes: None.

6. Finance:

6.1 Payments: The following payment was approved –

Ms : J. Hodge (travel expenses)	£27.00
Mr. K. Williams (refund Christmas Tree/Lights)	£79.96

6.2 Receipts: The following receipt was noted

– Powys County Council (final precept instalment)	£2031.61
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6.3 Bank Balance at 2nd January 2018: The following balance was noted – £7393.89

6.4 Request for a donation from Radnor Valley Rainbows: Members considered the request for a donation towards the purchase of a clevertouch computer system for the group. The Clerk advised that £200 was held in the budget for donations and £443 under devolved services which could be vired into donations to use if required. Following a discussion it was agreed to contribute £500 towards the purchase, to be paid when the full funds had been raised. The money presently held for devolved services to be vired into the budget for donations.

6.5 Requests for donations from Relate Cymru, Llangollen Musical Eisteddfod, Welsh Ambulance Service Branch: Refused.

Future policy on donations to large, non local organisations: It was agreed that with the exception of the Wales Air Ambulance no donations would be made to national organisations and the Clerk was authorised to reply to this effect to any making application to the Council.

6.5 Setting of precept 2018-19 and Review of Free and Allocated Reserves: Members considered the draft budget as circulated and also the projected 'free' reserves at the year end. It was agreed to set the budget for 2018-19 at £7660 as drafted but with £1000 to be met from reserves. Therefore a precept of £6660 was set, a charge of £28.73 per Band D property. This was a reduction of £2.13 per Band D property on 2017-18.

7. Planning:

7.1 Planning Application Decisions: The following decisions were noted –

- P/2017/1151, Rowington, Rectory Lane, New Radnor: Conditional Consent.
- TREE/2017/0045, Old Mill Pond, Mutton Dingle: Agreement.

7.2 Planning Applications:

TREE/2017/0056, TREE: Proposed removal of 1x ash tree in a conservation area at The Laurels, Broad Street, New Radnor. Resolved no objections be raised.

8. Correspondence/General:

- 8.1 Water Break its Neck – Traffic Regulation Order: Noted.
- 8.2 Police and Crime Commissioner Newsletter (Information): Noted.
- 8.3 Speeding within New Radnor village: Deferred to the February Meeting. The speeding motorbikes on the A44 had been reported to Go Safe as discussed at the December meeting.
- 8.4 Draft Powys Well Being Plan Further Consultation: Noted. No comment to be made.
- 8.5 Review of Community and Town Council Sector in Wales: December Newsletter: Noted.
- 8.6 Councillor Training: An allocated budget was held for training and it was agreed that the Clerk would circulate details of forthcoming local training events. Attendance by any Member or the Clerk was agreed subject to sufficient funds being in the budget.
- 8.7 Clerks and Councils Direct Magazine: Noted.

9. Village Matters

- 9.1 Radnor Ranges: Nothing to report.
- 9.2 Rubbish Bin, Footpath A44 Junction: Noted as full and needing emptying with a lot of rubbish on the grass nearby. The Clerk would report and request it be emptied.
- 9.3 Trees at A44 Junction: Still not trimmed. Clerk would chase.

10. Date of Next Meeting: Thursday 8th February, 2018.

The meeting closed at 8.07 pm.