

NEW RADNOR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Thursday 8th November, 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, N. Dodman, E. Giordano.

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

2. Apologies: Cllr. K. Williams.

3. Declarations of Interest:

Personal Only:

Cllr. Dodman - Agenda Item Village Matters, Byway LM1268 - part of route forms access to Councillor's property.

Cllr. Giordano - Agenda Item Village Matters, Byway LM1268 - part of route passes over land belonging to relative.

Personal and Prejudicial: None.

4. Minutes: The Minutes of the meeting held on 11th October, 2018 were approved as circulated and duly signed by the Chairman, Cllr. Harris.

5. Matters Arising from the Minutes:

5.1 Road Defect near Vron Farm: Cllr. Harris confirmed that this was a ridge not a pothole. The Clerk would correct the report to the County Council.

6. Finance:

6.1 Payments: No payments were approved this month.

6.2 Dog Bags for Dispensers: The purchase (using general reserves) of three additional boxes of bags was approved.

7. Correspondence/General:

7.1 Dog Banning Orders Update: Members noted the additional information supplied. Land under the control of the Education Department would not be included in the PSPO and dog banning orders would only be introduced in areas where there was a specific problem.

7.2 Emails re. Radnor Ranges Exclusion Zone: The emails received and the replies sent by the Clerk were circulated. It was agreed that there was nothing further to add.

7.3 Invitation to Evening of Celebration, East Radnorshire Day Centre (15th Nov): Members would notify the Clerk if they could attend.

7.4 Clerks and Councils Direct Magazine: Noted.

7.5 Powys County Council Healthy, Active and Outdoors Project: Members did not wish to submit an expression of interest in this project.

8. Village Matters

8.1 Christmas Tree/Lights Arrangements: These were in hand.

8.2 Radnor Valley Resource & Amenity Centre and use of building by RAAG: Members learned that a mediator had been appointed and that the Centre Committee would not meet to make a decision on the granting of a lease until mediation was complete. Cllr. Dodman proposed that the Community Council write a letter of support for the project to RAAG and this was agreed.

8.3 LM 1268 etc Byway, Temporary Closure Notice: Noted.

8.4 Town Hall Trust: The Clerk had not as yet managed to obtain any information on the custodian trustees for the Trust. It was agreed that she write to the present Chairman of the Trustees and ask that a meeting be convened.

8.5 Remembrance Sunday: Members noted the arrangements for 11th November.

8.6 Dog Mess, Broad Street: A resident had complained about this. The Clerk advised that residents should be encouraged to report incidents to the County Council. Cllr. Harris would check to see if one of the signs designed by the School could be put up in that area.

9. Planning:

9.1 Planning Application Decisions: The following decisions were noted –

P/2018/0570 Cross Ways, Mutton Dingle: Approval.

P/2018/0569 Cross Ways, Mutton Dingle: Approval.

9.2 Hendy Wind Farm Minister's Decision: Members were dismayed at the decision of Lesley Griffiths and the overturning of the refusal of planning permission by the County Council (which had been reinforced by the Planning Inspector). It was agreed that the Clerk write to the Minister stating the concerns of the Council, stressing the importance of the landscape and rebutting the statement that the impact would be modest. The Clerk was also asked to write to the County Council to ask if the possibility of a judicial review had been investigated and if it was possible whether it would be pursued.

9.3 Planning Applications: There were no applications this month.

10. Date of Next Meeting: Thursday 13th December, 2018.

The meeting closed at 8.15 pm.