

NEW RADNOR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 10th October, 2019 At 7.30 p.m. in the Community Centre, New Radnor

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

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

2. Apologies: Cllr. E. Blackman, K. Williams.

3. Declarations of Interest: None this month.

4. Minutes: The Minutes of the meeting held on 12th September, 2019 were approved as circulated and duly signed by the Chairman, Cllr. Harris.

5. Matters Arising from the Minutes: None this month.

6. Finance:

6.1 Payments: The following payment was agreed –

Viking (stationery/stamps) £53.60

Royal British Legion (poppy appeal) £30.00

6.2 Review of Internal Audit Procedures and Internal Auditor for 2019/20: Members noted that the Internal Auditor remained completely independent and approved the supporting checklists etc which listed the areas to be covered. The appointment of Mr. L. Stevens as internal auditor for the 2019-20 accounts was confirmed.

6.3 Bank Balance: The bank balance at 29th September was noted as £6613.42.

7. Correspondence/General:

7.1 Welsh Government National Development Framework Consultation. No public responses had been received. Cllr. Dodman stated that he felt a special meeting should be called to discuss the Council's response in detail. Members considered this, given the time scales for responding to the consultation. It was agreed to consider the need for an extra meeting at the end of the Agenda.

7.2 Clerk's Meeting with PCC Officers on 23rd September: The Clerk reported on the meeting between Powys Clerks and senior Powys County Council Officers. The intention was that meetings would continue with the next meeting planned for March.

7.3 Public Service Board Meeting Report: The Clerk had attended this meeting which had provided the opportunity for Town and Community Councils to meet with Officers and representatives of various bodies involved with the Well Being Plan.

7.4 Environment (Wales) Act 2016 and Community Council obligations: The Clerk reminded Members that all Community Councils of whatever size had obligations under the Act and that a report would need to be produced by the end of 2019. Members agreed to consider matters for inclusion.

8. Village Matters:

8.1 Outdoor Gym: The Clerk reported that the Playground Committee did not wish to accept the offer of the Community Council to apply for funding to install an outdoor gym on the playground site. Members were disappointed at this feeling it would have been a useful addition to village amenities.

8.2 Treatment of Japanese Knotweed: Members noted the information from the County Council regarding annual repeat treatments as necessary.

8.3 Radnor Arms: Members noted that Kirsty Williams AM had now raised the matter with the County Council and that following a telephone call from Cllr. Michael Jones the Clerk had been informed that a Case Officer had now been appointed.

Cllr. M. Jones left the meeting at this point due to his position on the County Council Planning Committee.

9. Planning:

9.1 Planning Application Decisions: The following decisions were noted –

19/1120/DIS Discharge of conditions 3 & 5 for 19/0080/HH – Downton Cottage, New Radnor: Approval 4th September.

18/0993/DIS Discharge of Condition 31 for P/2014/0672 – Land of A44 SW of Llandegley: Refused 5th September.

18/0993/DIS Discharge of Condition 30 for P/2014/0672 – Land of A44 SW of Llandegley: Approval 6th September.

19/1177/HH: Decking, 5 The Porth, New Radnor: Approval 17th September.

9.2 Planning Applications: The following application was considered:

19/1555/TRE Grid Ref: E: 321455 N: 260927. Proposal: Works to fell 1x wych elm tree. Location: Briarlea, Clawdd Lane, New Radnor. Resolved to support the application.

9.3 Henty Wind Farm Update: The latest email from the Planning Officer was noted. Cllr. Dodman would hopefully be meeting the Officer to discuss the current situation in the near future.

10. Welsh Government National Development Framework Consultation: Members agreed that an additional meeting be held at 7.30pm on 21st October to discuss final comments.

11. Date of Next Full Meeting: Thursday 14th November, 2019.

The meeting closed at 8.26 pm.