

NEW RADNOR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Council Meeting held on
Thursday 8th April, 2021
At 7.30 p.m.
Meeting held via video conferencing by virtue of the
(coronavirus)(meetings)(Wales) Regulations 2020**

20/109. Present: Cllrs. R. Harris (Chairman) J. Hodge (Vice-Chairman), E. Blackman, M. Cooper, E. Giordano, N. Dodman, K. Williams.

In Attendance: Mrs T. Price, Clerk.

20/110. Apologies: None.

20/111. Declarations of Interest:

Personal Only: None.

Personal and Prejudicial: None.

20/112. Minutes: The Minutes of the meeting held on 11th March, 2021 were approved as circulated and duly signed by the Chairman, Cllr. Harris.

20/113. Matters Arising from the Minutes:

20.113.1 Website Training: The Clerk had completed this. Mr. Blackman had not taken part as the content was largely relevant to the Council pages.

20/113.2 Old Station Caravan Park: The Clerk reported that the Planning Officer was due to visit the site and would update the Community Council in due course.

20/113.3 Signs at Village Entrance: These had still not been adjusted and were still affecting visibility. The Clerk would chase.

20/113.4 Litter on A44: Still not cleared. The Clerk would chase.

20/114. Finance:

20/114.1 Payments: The following payments were approved—
SLCC Enterprises Ltd (Conference fee) £27.00

20/114.2 Approval of Annual Accounts: The Annual Accounts were approved.

20/114.3 Completion of the VAT Reclaim 2020/21: Noted.

20/114.4 Confirmation of Councillor Remuneration for 2020/21 submitted to IRP: Noted.

20/114.5 Re-issued cheque 100967: Members noted that this was re-issued as it had been lost in the post. The cheque had been cancelled and payment re-issued on cheque 100976 (2020-21 Accounts).

20/114.6 Purchase of dog bag dispenser: Members confirmed that the Clerk should proceed to purchase the additional dispenser.

20/114.7 External Audit Papers: Members noted that these have been received and arrangements for internal audit were underway.

20/115. Correspondence/General:

20/105.1 Email re. Dark Sky Status: Members considered the suggestion that the Community Council consider applying for Dark Sky status for the Radnor Forest. The Clerk reported that in the village itself the lighting was 3000 kelvins, higher than that needed for dark skies but that due to the sparsity of the lights this was unlikely to be an issue. Cllrs. Hodge and Dodman agreed to form a small working group to progress the project and the Clerk was asked to write to Penybont, Whitton and Dolau Councils to ask if they would be willing to be part of the project.

20/115.2 PACE Climate Meetings: Cllr. Dodman reported that the Group was asking for Community Council support to write to the County Council asking it to support the climate emergency bill one of the main points of which was the need to bring forward the date for the

targets to earlier than 2050. Members agreed that the Clerk should write as suggested. Cllr. Dodman would reply to the Mr. Thorp indicating the Council would be confirming support.

20/116. Village Matters:

20/116.1 Bin, High Street: Cllr. Williams stated that the bin appeared to be missed and he had had to report it as overflowing. It had now been emptied. Cllr. Blackman reported that the bin at the bottom of Mutton Dingle seemed to be emptied regularly. The Clerk was asked to write and remind the County Council about the bin in the High Street and to point out that it did fill up quickly.

20/116.2 Street Lighting: The Clerk had received a couple of concerns from Cllr, Hodge and one of the street lighting team would be checking the lights mentioned.

20/117. Planning:

20/117.1 Planning Application Decisions: None this month.

20/117.2 Planning Applications: The following applications – None this month.

20/118 Date of Next Meeting: Thursday 13th May 2021 (to include Annual Meeting).

Members discussed the possibility of holding a face to face meeting in May but with the Hall not due to open until after 13th, with two Members not wishing to meet face to face as yet and with meeting outside not felt practical it was agreed to continue with a virtual meeting in May and review again then.

The meeting closed at 8.00 p.m.