

NEW RADNOR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Thursday 5th March, 2015 At 6.00 p.m. in the Community Centre, New Radnor

1. **Present:** Cllrs. E. Blackman, M. Cooper, N. Dodman, J. Hodge.

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

2. **Apologies:** . Cllr.. R. Harris.

Absent: Cllrs. K. Williams, S. Bennett.

3. **Declarations of Interest:**

Personal Only: None

Personal and Prejudicial: None

Cllr. Dodman was confirmed as Acting Chairman until the annual meeting in May.

As Cllr. Bennett was absent his completion of the declaration of acceptance of office was deferred to the April meeting.

4. **Minutes:** The Minutes of the meeting held on 12th February, 2015 were approved as circulated and duly signed by the Acting Chairman, Cllr. Dodman.

5. **Matters Arising from the Minutes:**

5.1 **LM1268 ByWay Water Break Its Neck to Dolau:** The explanation on costs from the County Council was noted. Cllr. Dodman reported that the meeting of landowners had not yet taken place.

5.2 **Road Surface Presteigne to Walton Road reply from HCC:** Members had yet to photograph the affected stretches of road. Cllr. Dodman agreed to do this if possible over the next month.

5.3 **Overgrown Hedge, Hollygate:** The Clerk had spoken to the landowner who had agreed to meet on site to discuss the concerns of the Community Council. Cllr. Hodge had agreed to meet and would arrange this as soon as possible.

6. **Correspondence/General:**

6.1 **Meeting with Knighton Town Council re PCC budget cuts/service devolvement:** Unfortunately Cllr. Dodman had been unable to attend. The Clerk had asked for a report on the meeting from Clerk, Neil King but nothing had been received.

6.2 **PAVO Membership Invitation:** It was agreed to join.

6.3 **One Voice Wales Membership Half Price Offer:** It was agreed not to join One Voice Wales for 2015/16.

6.4 Mid Wales Joint Local Transport Plan (Information): The plan and accompanying information provided by the Clerk were noted.

6.5 Clerks and Councils Magazine: Noted. To be circulated.

7. Planning:

7.1 Planning Application Decisions: The Clerk reported that there was no change from the February meeting.

7.2 Planning Applications:

TREE/2015/0003, removal of salix tree within a conservation area at **Willow Cottage, New Radnor**: Resolved that no objections be raised.

7.3 Hendy Wind Farm Application Update: Cllr. Dodman reported that in order for a new Commons works application to be submitted the re-routing of a public footpath was necessary and that as a result matters were delayed.

7.4 Planning Application P/2015/0024, full, erection of a single wind turbine 27.13m to blade tip, 20.58m to hub height and 13.10m blade diameter at Bwlchau Bettws, Hundred House: The submission of additional information was noted.

8 Village Matters:

8.1 Radnor Ranges: Matters for the April meeting with the Ranges were deferred until the next Council meeting. Cllr. Hodge agreed to liaise with Cllr. Harris beforehand and to report to Members. Members had received a copy of the letter sent by a resident to Powys County Council concerning the closure of the complaint to Environmental Health made at the end of 2014. The Clerk was asked to write to the County Council to request an explanation for this decision.

The Range had confirmed its willingness to text/email residents of forthcoming activity.

8.2 Defibrillator Update: Deferred to April meeting due to the absence of Cllr. Williams.

8.3 Other Village Matters: Members reported that dog fouling was still occurring. The Clerk agreed to contact the County Council again. The Clerk was asked to obtain an update on the situation regarding the lighting at the junction of the A44.

9. Finance:

9.1 Payments: The following payments were agreed -

T.A. Price	
(Salary Jan/Feb/March inc arrears on increment and pay award)	£463.16
HMRC (tax/NI on above)	£115.80
T.A. Price (expenses)	£ 25.18

9.2 Risk Assessment Review: The risk assessment for 2014/15 was approved and duly signed by the Chairman.

9.3 Internal Audit Review (see Council Audit Plan/Internal Audit Checklist): The internal audit plan and review for 2014/15 were approved and duly signed by the Chairman.

10. Date of Next Meeting: Thursday 9th April, 2015.
The meeting closed at 6.45 pm