

## NEW RADNOR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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### Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Thursday 14th July, 2016 At 7.30 p.m. in the Community Centre, New Radnor

1. **Present:** Cllrs. E. Blackman, J. Hodge (Vice-Chairman), M. Cooper, N. Dodman.

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

2. **Apologies:** . Cllrs. R. Harris (Chairman), K. Williams, S. Bennett.

3. **Declarations of Interest:**

*Personal Only:* Cllr. Dodman re Byway LM1268, part of route forms access to his property.

*Personal and Prejudicial:* None

In the absence of the Chairman, Cllr. Harris it was agreed unanimously that Cllr. Dodman be Acting Chairman for the meeting.

4. **Minutes:** The Minutes of the meeting held on 9th June, 2016 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: Members noted the new Traffic Regulation Order. Cllr. Dodman reported that there were a very large number of potholes along the track to the Water Break its Neck car park. He would be reporting these as an individual. It was agreed that if no action was taken by Natural Resources Wales then the Clerk should also write requesting repairs. Rubbish both in the car park and in the woods was still an issue.

5.2 Dog Bag Dispenser: The Clerk reported that she had twice refilled the dispenser and that the supply of bags was running short. It was resolved that the Clerk should order a further box of bags and that monies should be vired from the reserved budget for devolved services.

6. **Finance:**

6.1 Payments: The following payments were agreed -

SLCC Enterprises Ltd (course for Clerk)	£174.00
Caleb Roberts Insurance Services Ltd	£79.00
(Carnival Insurance)	

Members noted that a contribution towards the cost of the above course was to be made by Presteigne and Norton Town Council.

6.2 Letters of thanks: The letters of thanks from East Radnorshire Day Centre, Citizens Advice Bureau, Wales Air Ambulance and St. Mary's Church, New Radnor were noted.

6.3 Pension Provision: Members considered the report on future statutory pension provision for all employees and it was resolved -

*To bring forward the Council Staging Date to as soon as practicable*

*To confirm that the pension scheme to be provided on employee request will be the NEST scheme*  
*To formally advise the Clerk of the requirement to provide a scheme and advise of timetable for implementation.*

*To produce pension information for the Clerk using the standard documentation available on TPR website.*

6.4 Bank Balance: The bank balance of £4416.95 at 29th June was noted. £100 was still to clear.

7. **Planning:**

7.1 Planning Application Decisions: There were no decisions to report this month. The Clerk reported that no decision was expected on the Hendy Wind Farm for at least two months.

7.2 Planning Applications:

P/2016/0641, Erection of an agricultural building for free range egg production at Gwernorgllwydd, Llandegley. *Resolved to object to the application on the following grounds - the Llandegley area already has a large number of poultry units and a further unit would only add to the existing problems of odour and flies. The unit is situated near residential properties and that the 800m to the nearest dwelling is still too close to alleviate any problems.*

P/2016/0247, Additional information in respect of wind turbine and associated infrastructure, land between A488 and Craig Hill near Bleddfa. *Resolved that the original comments made in June 2015 be re-submitted.*

P/2016/0632, Grid Ref: 321291.67/260802.02 for Retention of internal and external works to a listed building at 6 Broad Street New Radnor. *Resolved to support the application.*

P/2016/0737 Grid Ref: 318928/257912 for Installation of a new 12.5m monopole (to replace existing 10m telegraph pole), minor alterations to equipment cabinets and associated development at Land at Lower House Farm New Radnor Presteigne. *Resolved no objections be raised.*

7.3 Community and Town Councillor Planning Handbook: Members were each issued with a copy of the Handbook produced by Planning Aid Wales.

## **8. Correspondence/General:**

8.1 Invitation to Participate in UK Web Archive: Resolved that this invitation be accepted.

8.2 Powys War Memorials Project Information: Noted. Cllr. Hodge agreed to contact Audrey Bradley for information on local war memorials. The Clerk would also forward the information to the Primary School in case it could be of any use. Members would contact the Clerk if they wished to take up the free training etc.

8.3 Ombudsman Annual Report 2015/16: Noted.

8.4 Clerks and Councils Direct Magazine: Noted.

8.5 Resurfacing of section of B4362 Walton to Presteigne Road: The length of re-surfacing was now completed. Cllr. Bennett had provided information on a large pothole just past the end of the resurfacing. The Clerk would report this. Cllr. Dodman would also review the work and let the Clerk know if there was anything additional to report.

## **9. Village Matters:**

9.1 Radnor Ranges: Nothing to report.

9.2 Defibrillator Update: The Clerk reported on a presentation she had recently attended by CARIAD a defibrillator charity and on the possibility of the Community Council applying for a grant towards two defibrillators, two heated cabinets and work to install the units at either end of the village and paint the kiosk. Match funding was not essential but would probably be looked on favourably. The Clerk stated that the package from CARIAD included maintenance for a seven year period and suggested that match funding could be made using the £250 precepted for defibrillator maintenance. It was resolved that the Clerk apply for the grant and that £250 match funding would be provided by the Community Council towards the purchase if the grant was successful.

9.3 Grass Cutting: It was resolved that no additional grass cutting was required to be bought in from the County Council.

9.4 Repair of BT Manhole Cover: This had now been completed.

9.5 Other Village Matters: Cllr. Dodman reported that a further meeting had been held on the future of the public house. A 'Radnor Arms Action Group' had been set up and regular meetings would be held. The Group had asked about having a section on the website and this was agreed. Content would need to be submitted via the Clerk.

## **10. Date of Next Meeting:** Thursday 8th September, 2016

The meeting closed at 8.17 pm.