

NEW RADNOR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Thursday 13th October, 2016 At 7.30 p.m. in the Community Centre, New Radnor

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

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

2. **Apologies:** . Cllrs. E. Blackman, S. Bennett, K. Williams.

3. **Declarations of Interest:**

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

Personal and Prejudicial: None.

4. **Minutes:** The Minutes of the meeting held on 8th September, 2016 were approved as circulated and duly signed by the Chairman, Cllr. Harris.

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

5.1 LM1268 ByWay Water Break Its Neck to Dolau: Cllr. Dodman reported that the potholes on the access had still not been attended to and that Mr. Stafford-Tolley was waiting to speak to Mr. Whythe of NRW about the best way to deal with them. Cllr. Dodman also reported on use of the closed section by vehicles and the removal of notices indicating the route closure. Cllr. Dodman would check to see if the notices had been replaced by the County Council and if not the Clerk would chase this up.

6. **Finance:**

6.1 Payments: The following payments were agreed -

CARIAD	£2200 (defibs etc)
Mrs T.A. Price (expenses)	£46.96
Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal	£20.00
Viking Direct (ink, paper etc)	£57.94
Midland New Association Ltd (third of total cost) (advert re adoption of amended Code of Conduct)	£13.32

6.2 Receipts: The following receipt was noted -

Awards for All Grant Award	£2295.00
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6.3 Request for Donation Marie Curie Nurses in Powys: Resolved to provide a donation of £50.

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7. **Planning:**

7.1 Planning Application Decisions: The following decisions were reported -

P/2014/0225, Hendregenny, Whitton (wind turbine): Application Withdrawn

P/2015/0247, A488/Craig Hill (Turbine): Application Withdrawn.

P/2016/0737, Lower House Farm, New Radnor: Conditional Consent 3rd October.

7.2 Planning Applications: The following applications were considered -

P/2016/0946 and 947, replacement of front door, replacement of rear metal framed windows with double glazed windows, replacement of roof of outside room with flat roof and installation of two roof lights, alterations to garden wall and alterations to garage at 8 Broad Street, New Radnor; Resolved to support the application.

TREE/2016/0029, cut down and remove mature sycamore and crown reduction to walnut and apple trees at Children's Playground, New Radnor: Resolved to support the application.

P/2016/0845, Grid Ref: 321389.56 260777.75 for Erection of a one bedroom dwelling house with provision of one on-site car parking space and all associated works (resubmission of P/2015/0789) at Land at The Coach House Water Street New Radnor Presteigne Powys. Additional Information: Resolved no change to original comments as these had still not been addressed.

P/2016/0846, Grid Ref: 321387.9 260777.16 for Conservation Area Consent for demolition of The Coach House (resubmission of P/2015/0787) at The Coach House Water Street New Radnor Presteigne Powys. Additional Information: Resolved no change to original comments as these had still not been addressed. Also noted that an rsj has been removed from the building.

8. Correspondence/General:

8.1 One Voice Wales Advice Note on Working with Young People: Cllrs. Hodge and Cooper had looked at the guidance. It was agreed that the Clerk contact the local Young Farmers Club to ask if anyone would be interested in becoming involved.

8.2 Clerks and Councils Direct Magazine: Noted.

8.3 Review of Parliamentary Constituencies in Wales: Members noted the proposed increase in size for the amended Brecon, Radnor and Montgomery constituency. Resolved no comment be made.

8.4 Letter from Chris Davies MP re Type 1 Diabetes: Noted. Posters would be displayed.

8.5 Update on Local Government Reform: Statement by Welsh Government: Noted.

8.6 Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Draft Annual Report: Noted. Resolved no comment.

8.7 BT Consultation on removal of payphones: Noted. No comment to be made but the Clerk asked to check to see if any of the boxes proposed for renewal were listed.

9. Village Matters:

9.1 Radnor Ranges: Nothing to report.

9.2 Defibrillator Grant Application Update: The Clerk reported that the two defibrillator units had been received but that the two cabinets were awaited. In addition an assessment of the kiosk revealed that the cost of refurbishment would be higher than expected due to the necessary replacement of various panes etc. Two options for replacement parts were possible with the most expensive being for replacement glass panes. Cllr. Williams was approaching the former First Responders to ask if the remaining money could be put towards the refurbishment and was expecting this to be agreed. In order to allow work to commence it was resolved that - replacement parts for refitting with glass panes as needed be ordered;

the additional costs to be paid utilising the First Responder monies but that should this not be possible the Community Council would pay the additional costs;

the contractor be engaged and work to commence as soon as possible, weather permitting.

9.3 Cherry Tree High Street: Members reported a complaint received by Cllr. Williams stating that the tree was very overgrown and needed trimming. Cllr. Williams had advised the resident that they could trim the tree if it was causing a problem. The dead cherry tree would be removed by Cllr. Williams as soon as convenient.

9.4 Community Delivery: Grass Cutting, weeding, street scene, email from PCC: The Clerk reported that an Officer from the County Council was willing to meet in the village to discuss the possible devolvement of grass cutting etc to the Community Council. It was agreed that the Clerk set up a meeting.

9.5 4x4 Accident: Report from PC Jackson: Members noted that two of those involved had pleaded guilty and been fined £50, the third went to court and pleaded not guilty. That case was dismissed as no evidence was presented.

9.6 Other Village Matters:

Chimney Smoke: Cllr. Hodge reported having received complaints about toxic smoke. The resident to be advised to contact Environmental Health.

Future of East Radnorshire Day Centre: Members all signed to petition to save the Centre. The Clerk was asked to write to the County Council stressing the need to retain the Centre.

Strategic Search Area, Wind Turbines: Cllr. Dodman reported that he understood that all of Powys was to become part of the permitted area for turbine development and that he understood that this was part of the revised LDP. The Clerk advised that the focussed changes on the LDP would be an agenda item for the November meeting.

10. Absence of Cllr. Bennett:

Cllr. Bennett had submitted apologies for the meeting due to a change in work commitments. It was agreed that it would be unreasonable to allow the automatic removal from office to proceed, given the work commitments of Cllr. Bennett and it was agreed to extend the permitted absence until the end of December. The matter would be reviewed again at the January meeting if Cllr. Bennett had still been unable to attend.

11. Date of Next Meeting: Thursday 10th November, 2016

The meeting closed at 8.42 pm.