

NEW RADNOR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Thursday 14th March, 2019 At 7.30 p.m. in the Community Centre, New Radnor

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

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

2. Apologies: None.

3. Declarations of Interest:

Personal Only:

Cllr. Dodman: Byway LM1268 Access Track - part of route forms access to Councillor's property.

Personal and Prejudicial: None.

4. Approval of Minutes: The Minutes of the meeting held on 7th February were approved without amendment and duly signed by the Chairman.

5. Matters Arising from the Minutes:

5.1 New Resident Letters: The Clerk supplied Cllr. Dodman with copies of the letter to deliver to new residents in the village.

5.2 Road Defect Vron Farm: Still not repaired. Clerk to report again.

5.3 Litter Bin, Water Break its Neck Car Park: Cllr. Dodman reported that the bin was now in place.

6. Finance:

6.1 Payments: The following payments were approved -

Mrs T.A. Price (salary final quarter)	£648.56
HM Revenue & Customs (tax on above)	£157.60
Mrs T. A. Price (expenses)	£6.00
Wales Audit Office (External Audit)	£182.75

The setting up of a direct debit for the Information Commissioner and the first payment by this method were confirmed.

Information Commissioner (direct debit)	£35.00
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The stopping of cheque 101080 and reissue of the payment to XMA Ltd on cheque 101087 (£77.32) was noted.

6.2 Budget Update/Review of Reserves: Members had all received copies of the budget update and analysis of the end of year balances. They noted the year end free reserve was approximately £400 more than the absolute minimum of three months expenditure but felt that this was prudent and would allow some flexibility over the 2019-20 financial year.

6.3 Risk Assessment: Members reviewed and approved the updated risk assessment.

6.4 Review of Asset Register: One amendment was made to the Asset Register as circulated – the Council now owned three dog bag dispensers. The Clerk would amend the Register.

6.5 Final report of the Independent Remuneration Panel: Members considered the determinations which would take effect from May. It was resolved to make no change to the present allowances and expenses payable these being -

- £150 available annually to each Member (mandatory)
- Reimbursement of Care Costs (mandatory)
- Payment of Travel Expenses outside the Community Council area.

6.6 Request for Donation URDD National Eisteddfod: Request refused.

6.7 New Radnor Playground Request for contribution towards tree works: Cllr. Cooper had yet to speak to the Committee. Resolved that the matter be carried forward onto the April agenda.

7. Correspondence/General:

7.1 Clerks and Councils Direct Magazine: Noted.

7.2 Letter from CND Cymru re 'No Underground Nuclear Waste Dump': Resolved to pass the following motion – the New Radnor Community Council will not volunteer to host an underground nuclear waste dump. The Clerk would notify CND Cymru.

7.3 East Radnorshire Day Centre AGM: Noted.

8. Village Matters

8.1 Cornwall Lewis Memorial: The Clerk reported that she had reminded the County Council of the need to get quotes for the repairs in order to get the work done as soon as possible in the new financial year.

8.2 School Sign: The sign outside the Laurels was loose. Clerk to report.

8.3 Potholes Rectory Lane: Clerk to remind the County Council.

8.4 Water Break its Neck Track to car park: Cllr. Dodman reported numerous potholes. Clerk to report and ask that more permanent repairs be done.

8.5 Defibrillators: The Clerk reported that CARIAD had informed her that they would no longer be doing the regular checks. She would include a monthly check before Council meetings. The pedi electrode pads had been out of date and she had now replaced these with new pads.

9. Planning:

9.1 Planning Application Decisions: No decisions this month.

9.2 Planning Applications: The following applications were considered -

19/0230/TRE Grid Ref: E: 321202 N: 260845 Proposal: Application for tree works to 4 no. trees in a conservation area. Location: Rowington, Rectory Lane, New Radnor. Resolved no objections be made.

19/0326/FUL Grid Reference: E:321639 N: 260434 Proposal: Change of use of land from touring caravans to site 9 static caravans and all associated works. Site Address: Old Station Caravan Site, New Radnor. Resolved that the following comments be made - The Council is concerned at the removal of a facility for the siting of touring caravans and tents in order to site the proposed static units. There is nowhere else in New Radnor that caters for such visitors and Members felt that some area should be retained for this use.

19/0080/HH Grid Reference: E:322983 N: 260583 Proposal: Alterations involving restoration, modernisation and extension of dwelling. Site Address: Downton Cottage, New Radnor. Resolved no objections be made.

19/0447/NMA Grid Reference: E:321326 N: 260829. Proposal: Section 73 application to vary condition of planning approval P/2015/0765 in relation to extension of time. Condition Number(s): 2. Deadline for the submission of reserved matters. Conditions(s) Removal: Changed to allow additional time for the submission of reserved matters - I would like the condition to be extended for a further 3 years. Site Address: Plot Rear Of Old Pound, Water Street, New Radnor. Resolved no objections be made.

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10. Hendy Wind Farm: Cllr. Dodman reported that phase two had now commenced without the submission of a construction environment management plan. There was also some damage to and use of the BOAT (byway open to all traffic) by non road legal vehicles. Cllr. Dodman proposed that letters be written to both the planning and rights of ways sections asking that urgent action be taken. Following a vote it was agreed that the Clerk write to the County Council on these matters.

11. Date of Next Meeting:

Thursday 11th April, 2019

The meeting closed at 8.35 pm.