

Minutes of the Vale of Grwyney Community Council Meeting held on Monday 18th April 2016 at 7:30pm in Llangenny School Hall.

Present: Cllrs David Sharman (*Chairman*), Elaine Lusted (*Vice Chairman*), Wendy Bowler, John Morris, Ian Maberley, Caroline Fairclough, Dean Christy and Roger Llewelyn. Also in attendance: Maria James (*Clerk*).

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Cllr C Alford and Cty Cllr J Morris
2. **Declarations of Interest:** Cllr J Morris declared a personal interest in Item 8 (relationship with Llanbedr Hall Association) (ii). 1 (ii) Cllr D Sharman declared a personal interest in Item 3.1 (ii) (neighbour/friend).
3. **Planning Matters**
 - 3.1 **Applications:**
 - (i) 16/13313/FUL: Retrospective Planning Application for installation of a conservation roof-light. **Pendarren Lodge, Llangenny NP8 1HE**

It was unanimously agreed to submit a response of no objection.

Cllr Sharman, having declared an interest in the following item asked Cllr Lusted to take the Chair:
 - (ii) 16/133374/FUL: Single storey side extension. **The Old Mill, Llangenny NP8 1EY**

It was unanimously agreed to subject a response of no objection.
 - 3.2 **Decisions/Other** the following applications were noted to have been permitted:
 - (i) 16/13111/FUL: Erection of storage building Cwrt Y Gollen Training Camp, Crickhowell
 - (ii) 16/13124/FUL – The Lodge, Glangrwyney Court, Glangrwyney.
4. **County Council Report:** None presented. *Cty Cllr Morris was not present.*
5. **Minutes of Meeting** [Page 1123 – 1126]. It was proposed by Cllr Fairclough that the minutes of the 21st March 2016 be accepted as a true record. This was seconded by Cllr Morris and unanimously agreed. The minutes were duly signed by the Chairman.
6. **Matters Arising from the Above Minutes** *for information purposes:*

Page 1123 Item 3.2 (vi).
It was agreed to forward the response as drafted by Cllr Christy to BBNPA. The letter to be emailed and hand-delivered.

Page 1123 Item 3.2 (v)
Cllr Maberley questioned whether a response has been received. The Clerk apologised for this omission and reported she would follow it up.

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It was suggested Cllr Morris be contacted in relation to outstanding highways matters. The Clerk to continue issuing a highway sheet to ensure items registered are followed up and not forgotten.
7. **Llanbedr Affordable Housing:** The Clerk reported prior to going on maternity leave Mrs Foxwell confirmed the rental properties are in the process of being allocated to people with a connection to the Vale of Grwyney. The low cost properties are yet to be allocated.

In response to the query regarding the lease agreement WWHA confirm they will provide a metered supply, which will be connected to the mains. The Council to be responsible for contacting Welsh Water and any charges related to setting up the account. The Clerk was asked to find out precisely how much these charges amounted to.

Cllr Fairclough proposed the allotment agreement be accepted. This was seconded by Cllr Lusted and duly agreed.

Mrs Foxwell said she would chase up the car park planning application and confirmed the contractor will fund 2 i-Pads for the school. WWHA is happy to hold an opening ceremony however state the houses are not expected to be ready until July. Cllr Fairclough suggested the children use the i-Pads to record the official opening of the affordable housing.

ACTION: Clerk to determine connection fees for Welsh Water and ask the school to raise an invoice for the i-pads.

8. **Queen's 90th Birthday Celebrations:** Whilst the idea of a public bonfire event was not pursued Cllr Morris reported he may hold a bonfire in personal celebration

The Clerk and Cllr Lusted reported they had contacted various banks and the Royal Mint and whilst commemorative coins are available they had been unable to obtain coins as discussed [Page 1124 Item 9]. Members decided to look at other ways of commemorating the event. Cllr Lusted suggested the Council plant a tree. This idea was favourably received with the suggestion it be planted in the nature garden when the opening ceremony for the affordable housing takes place. This was unanimously agreed.

It was also noted Llanbedr Hall Association has written to request a contribution towards the cost of a community disco it is holding on the 11th June in celebration of the Queen's 90th. Cllr Lusted proposed the Council contribute £50. This was seconded by Cllr Llewelyn and duly agreed. Cllr Sharman suggested the Council help publicise the event throughout The Vale. Cllr Bowler suggested other hall committees be informed.

ACTION: Clerk to notify Village Hall Committees as outlined.

9. **Code of Conduct:** In accordance with Section 51 of the Local Government 2000 Act all relevant authorities must within 6 months of the date of The Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) (Wales) (Amendment) Order 2016 was made adopt a revised code of conduct (ie by 26 July 2016).

It was proposed by Cllr Bowler that this code be formally adopted by the VoGCC. This was seconded by Cllr Fairclough and duly agreed.

10. **Noticeboards/Benches:** Cllr Llewelyn was noted to be in the process of installing the noticeboard in Glangrwyney. The Clerk reported plaques have now been received from the Big Lottery. Cllr Llewelyn offered to attach these to the benches/boards.

In order to officially recognise the funding received from the Big Lottery an "opening" event was discussed. It was suggested representatives from Glangrwyney Village Hall Committee be invited to meet with a couple of Councillors to have a publicity photograph taken by the noticeboard. Cllrs Bowler and Lusted will take a photograph of the Llangenny noticeboard and bench.

As the bench on Bellfountain Road replaced a timber memorial bench it was suggested a family member of the person it was dedicated to be invited to sit on the bench for a photo to be taken. Cllr Bowler will make the necessary arrangements.

It was noted the end of grant monitoring form needs to be returned by 31st May 2016.

ACTION: Clerk to contact Glangrwyney Village Hall Committee and Cllr Lusted and Bowler to arrange photos as outlined above.

11. **Any Other Business:** *for information only*

Cllr Fairclough informed Members Rob Yorke, a local rural surveyor, was giving a Re-Wilding talk in Cwmyoy Village Hall on 28th April explaining he was keen to have farmers there.

12. **Finance:**

12.1 Cllr Lusted proposed the following items be approved for payment. This was seconded by Cllr Fairclough and duly agreed: G James (Salary/Exp) £225, HMRC (Tax) £50, Glangrwyney Hall Hire Fees (Meeting 14/2/16) £14, ICO £35

12.2 The Clerk informed Members the internal audit needs to be arranged although the annual return from the external auditors has not yet been received. It was agreed the Clerk make the necessary arrangements once she has been received notification of the required dates.

13. Highways:

Cllr Llewelyn reported the bollards have been reinstated in Glangrwyney.

14. Reports on Meetings Attended:

Cllr Maberley attended a LAF meeting.

Cllrs Morris, Sharman, Bowler and the Clerk attended the Five Councils Liaison Meeting. Advice received from OVW at the meeting inferred the Council needs to have its own IT equipment.

15. Correspondence: *the following correspondence was received and discussed as appropriate:*

1. **OVW:** Community Asset Transfers in Wales: a best practice guide'. (Circulated)
2. **OVW:** Planning Policy Wales Chapter 6 (Circulated)
3. **OVW:** WG - Consultation on the Draft Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Bill
4. **ARWAIN:** Regenerator Newsletter Spring 2016
5. **WWHA:** Jodine Bishop is now dealing with the scheme. (agenda).
6. **PCC:** refuse/ recycling collections will take place as normal over forthcoming bank holidays.
7. **PCC:** notice of temporary road closure – Glangrwyney (Circulated)
8. **Zurich Insurance:** renewal premium £227.21
9. **Mid & West Wales Fire & Rescue Service:** Strategic Plan 2016/21 & Annual Improvement Plan 2016/17
10. **OVW:** WG - The Public Health Outcomes Framework
11. **PAVO:** Recruitment of Third Sector (National) Rep - Powys Regional Partnership Board
12. **PCC:** Consultation on proposals related to Brecon/Gwernyfed High Schools.
13. **Llanbedr Hall Association:** party to celebrate Queen's 90th. (agenda)
14. **BBNPA:** LAF meeting - 14th April 2016 in Llanfoist Village Hall
15. **OVW:** Wales Audit Office Future Wellbeing of Internal Audit Shared Learning Seminar (Sent to Auditor)
16. **BBNPA:** 16/13313/FUL (agenda)
17. **BBNPA:** permission granted– 16/13111/FUL (agenda)
18. **ICO:** renewal fee £35
19. **OVW:** Brecon & Radnor Committee meeting – 22/04/16 and minutes of 5th Feb 16 meeting.
20. **BBNPA:** Agenda for PAROW meeting 12th April
21. **NATWEST:** review of customer information form (completed and returned)

16. Late Correspondence:

1. **The Pensions Regulator:** essential guide to automatic enrolment - VoGCC staging date – 1 May 2017
2. **Powys Archives** Newsletter: Spring 2016
3. **BBNPA:** Permitted – 16/3124/FUL
4. **PCC:** addendum to proposals for Brecon, Gwernyfed, Builth and Llandrindod High Schools:
5. **OVW:** New Financial Regulations (Circulated)
6. **OVW:** OVW/SLCC Event – 22 June 2016.
7. **OVW:** Motions requested for 2016 AGM on 1st Oct 16.
8. **CRIC:** agenda AGM - 4th May 2016
9. **PCC:** Recycling/refuse collections to take place as normal over the May bank holidays
10. **PAVO:** Dementia Supportive Communities - North Powys Network Event (Circulated)

17. Clerk's Report/ Items for inclusion in the next Agenda

- Financial regulations
- Care and Repair
- IT equipment

Prior to the end of the meeting Cllr Maberley informed the Chairman and Members that after 8 years he has decided to resign from the Council.

Cllr Sharman thanked Cllr Maberley for his service to the Council during these years, expressing particular thanks for the input he had in developing the Council's web site.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 20:42pm