

Minutes of the Vale of Grwyney Community Council Meeting held on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2017 at 7:30pm in Glangrwyney Village Hall.

**Present:** Cllrs C Fairclough (Chairman), J Morris, H Tothill, and P Bowker. Also in attendance: Cty Cllr J Morris and M James (*Clerk*).

**1. Apologies for Absence:** Cllrs W Bowler, D Christy, D Sharman, E Lusted and C Alford.

**2. Declarations of Interest:** Cllr Morris declared a personal interest in Item 3.1(i) - applicant is neighbour.

### **3. Planning Matters:**

#### **3.1 Applications:**

- (i) **17/15413/FUL:** Change of use of existing annexe and stables to form one holiday letting unit. (*Application amended from "conversion of traditional stables to extend the existing annexe ancillary to Gwrlodau for additional family accommodation"*). **Gwrlodau, Llanbedr, Crickhowell NP8 1SY.**

**RESOLVED** to submit response of no objection.

- (ii) **17/15348/ADV** 1no. Pictorial sign with Bell detail and applied vinyl wording. Lit by trough light from below. 2no. Amenity boards, lit by spot light. 1no. Individual built up letters. lit by trough light. 2no. Amenity boards, with applied vinyl wording. 1no. Brass menu case. 1no. Car park sign. 1no. A-Board with 2no. Clip frames 3no. Black lanterns 4no. Black up/down lighters. 1no. sign with applied vinyl. 1no. Double sided car park sign in existing position and **17/15351/LBC:** External alterations including advertisement: **The Blue Bell Inn, Glangrwyney, Crickhowell NP8 1EH**

**RESOLVED** to submit response of no objection.

#### **3.2 Decisions/Other:**

- (i) **17/15422/FUL:** Resurface 300 m2 of existing forestry track with black tarmac – Mynydd Du Forest, Nr Forest Coal Pit has been **PERMITTED**

### **4. County Council Report:** Cty Cllr Morris reported:

- **Yellow lines, Bellfountain Road:** Due to workload/staff shortages Highways have not had time to put this out to consultation. It was suggested the Council write to the Portfolio Holder, Cllr Liam Fitzpatrick questioning this pointing out it was approved by the Breconshire Committee in October.
- **NatWest ATM:** the ATM in Crickhowell has now been removed. Discussions have taken place with a company who are interested in installing a cash machine in the town - the Council may wish to offer support if/when a planning application is submitted.
- **Grit Bins:** Members were asked to report empty salt bins to Cty Cllr Morris. Cllr Tothill asked if a salt bin could be installed by the new houses in St Peter's Close - either at the bottom or halfway up by the allotments (*Cllrs Morris and Tothill to meet to discuss*). The grit bin in Partrishow was reported as needing filling.
- **Waste Collections:** recent adverse weather delayed collections by one week – collection dates over the holiday period are on PCC's web site.

Cllr Morris requested roads be swept as they are very dirty - *Cty Cllr Morris will inform Allun Jones*

**19.56 JGM left the meeting**

- 5. Minutes of Meeting** [Page 1192 – 1194] Cllr Morris proposed the minutes of the 20<sup>th</sup> November 2017 be accepted as a true record. This was seconded by Cllr Bowker and duly agreed.

## 6. Matters Arising from the Above Minutes for information purposes:

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The request for No MOD signs has not progressed due to staff illness/lack of cover. *Suggested Cllr Fitzpatrick to be asked to look at this.*

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WG state the last speed survey undertaken indicated speeds of 31.5mph meaning there are no plans to install Vehicle Activated Signs (VAS) or Speed Indicator Devices (SID). The planned traffic calming measures include the renewal and improvement of road markings, slight widening of the carriageway and installation of a pedestrian refuge island near the Dan Y Gollen junction. These measures are programmed for delivery in February 2018. Members noted this and suggested the situation be reviewed following these works.

7. **Llanbedr Allotments:** Cllrs Fairclough, Morris and the Clerk met with Llanbedr Allotment Society on the 6<sup>th</sup> December and reported Llanbedr Allotment Society is prepared to lease the allotments direct from Wales & West Housing Association (WWHA). WWHA has been asked to prepare the lease agreement which will be forwarded to the Chair of the Allotment Society for approval.
8. **Proposed Diversion of Footpath No 2 Ty'n y Cae, Glangrwyney:** BBNPA inform the application to divert this footpath has not been withdrawn however there are changes which the Council will be re-consulted upon. Information relating to this re-consultation was received following publication of the agenda therefore the decision on whether to approve or reject the proposal was deferred to the Council's January meeting.

Members agreed the community's views on the proposed diversion need to be identified. The Clerk was instructed to display notices in the notice-boards and web site informing residents of the application and inviting comments.

9. **Independent Review Panel - Call to Evidence:** The importance of this review was emphasised. It was suggested Members consider and submit comments to the Chair for inclusion in a response.
10. **Five Councils Meeting:** Llangattock CC will host the next Five Councils Meeting on either the 10<sup>th</sup> or 17<sup>th</sup> January 2018. It was suggested Cllr Kathryn Silk (Panel Member of Community Council Review) be invited to speak and the following agenda items be submitted:
- Llangattock Waste Depot
  - Brecon CAB - combined donation
  - Review of T/Community Councils: *Question 4: How do Councils ensure they best represent their community?*
  - The Duke of Edinburgh Scheme - ways to encourage participants to adhere to Countryside Code.
11. **Any Other Business:** *for information purposes only*  
The response from the Duke of Edinburgh Scheme was discussed. Members were pleased to note participants are told to adhere to the Countryside Code but want to see this enforced. Tutors must instil the need for gates to be left as they are found.
12. **Finance:** Cllr Morris proposed the following items be approved for payment. This was seconded by Cllr Tothill and duly agreed:
- (i) G James (Salary £200/Exp £25/Stationery £88.40) £313.40, HMRC (Tax) £50, Welsh Water (Llanbedr Water Tough) £17.54
  - (ii) The Finance Report was received and noted.
  - (iii) Setting of Precept 2018/19 - *deferred to January meeting.*
  - (iv) The invoice for the elections amounts to £541.67 – this will be deducted from December precept payment.

## 11. Highways: The following matters were reported:

- Roads need sweeping
- Salt bins need filling
- “No HGV” sign required on road above The Guddar, Llanbedr

## 12. Reports on Meetings Attended:

- Planning Aid Wales Training: Cllrs Bowker, Christy and Fairclough attended.
- OVW Consultation on Community Council Review: Cllr Tothill attended Cwmbran event. Cllrs Fairclough and Sharman attended Howey event.
- Health Focus Group – Cllr Fairclough attended.

## 13. Correspondence: the following correspondence was received and discussed as appropriate:

1. **BBNPA:** Decision notice for 17/15422/FUL - Mynydd Du Forest
2. **BBNPA:** amended plans - 17/15413/FUL – Gwlodau, Llanbedr (agenda)
3. **BBNPA:** 17/15351/LBC and 17/15348/ADV - Bluebell Inn, Glangrwyney (agenda)
4. **Llangattock CC:** Date for next 5 Councils meeting is either 10<sup>th</sup> or 17<sup>th</sup> January (agenda).
5. **BBNPA:** Agenda for PAROW - 5th December, 2017, 10.00 am
6. **BBNPA:** Planning Registers 17/11/17, 24/11/17, 01/12/17
7. **OVW:** Welsh Government Public Appointment Vacancies
8. **OVW:** Police Precept Consultation 2018/19 – survey
9. **Powys CC:** precept request form
10. **OVW:** November 2017 News Bulletin
11. **PCC:** Newyddion Powys Newsline
12. **OVW:** Planning Law in Wales - Consultation Paper
13. **OVW:** Natural Resources Wales’ Funding and Support – 2017/18 - £3million available
14. **BBNPA:** Agenda for NPA 8th December, 2017, 10.00 am
15. **BBNPA:** survey on webcasting
16. **OVW:** Welsh Ambulance Service Branch – request for donation
17. **OVW:** Tackling loneliness amongst older people - request for updates
18. **Powys Public Services Board:** link draft well-being plan and consultation survey.
19. **OVW:** Consultation Events – Next Steps – Call to Evidence
20. **Powys Teaching Health Board:** Consultation on a Proposal to develop a Major Trauma Network for South and West Wales and South Powys (also emailed)

## 14. Miscellaneous/Late Items of Correspondence:

1. **Powys Public Service Board** - draft well-being plan and consultation survey.
2. **OVW:** Expert Panel on Assembly Electoral Reform - Report publication
3. **Beverley Williams-Pugh (DoE)** – request for information on groups causing problems:
4. **OVW:** Tackling loneliness among older people
5. **BBNPA:** re-consultation on Tynycae Footpath, Glangrwyney – respond by 17<sup>th</sup> Jan 2018
6. **BBNPA:** Weekly planning register
7. **Welsh Water:** Invoice - £17.54 (Llanbedr Water Trough)

## 15. Items for inclusion in the next Agenda

- Footpath – Glangrwyney
- Retrospective planning

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 21:24pm

Signed: .....  
Cllr C Fairclough, Chairman