

Minutes of the Vale of Grwyney Community Council Meeting held on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2019 at 7:30pm in Glangrwyney Village Hall

**Present:** Cllr Caroline Fairclough (Chair)  
Cllr John Morris  
Cllr Phill Bowker  
Cllr Colin Alford  
Cllr Dean Christy  
Cllr Dave Sharman

**In attendance:** Maria James (Clerk)

1.	<b>Apologies for Absence:</b> Cllr E Lusted
2.	<b>Declarations of Interest:</b> None received.
3.	<b>Planning:</b> <b>3.1 Applications:</b> (i) <b>18/16935/LBC:</b> Installation of new flue <b>Ty Llangenny (Farmhouse), Llangenny NP8 1TB</b> No objection. <b>3.2 Decisions/Other:</b> (i) <b>18/16761/CON:</b> Land south of St Peter's Close, Llanbedr NP8 1SQ has been permitted. (ii) <b>LDP Documents Consultation</b> – deferred to February agenda following LDP training. Councillors to consider candidate sites.
4.	<b>County Council Report from Cty Cllr Morris:</b> Cty Cllr Morris was not present - no report submitted.
5.	<b>Minutes [Pages 1241- 1244]:</b> Cllr Morris proposed the minutes of the 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2018 meeting are accepted as a true record subject to minor amendment in wording of Item 4 [Page 1242]. Seconded by Cllr Bowker and duly approved.
6.	<b>Matters Arising (for information purposes):</b> None reported.
7.	<b>Llanbedr Allotments/Nature Garden to discuss opening event:</b> Following confirmation the plan attached to the nature garden licence reflected the correct boundary Cllr Fairclough signed the licence agreement. This will be forwarded to WWHA for signature.  Cllr Alford offered to collect the benches funded by the Big Lottery Fund and place one in the nature garden near the entrance gate. [He will store the second bench pending agreement on where to site it]. The bench in the nature garden to be secured appropriately – environmental friendly webbing provided if necessary.  An official opening event to commemorate the completion of the affordable housing, creation of community allotments and the nature garden was discussed. Members recalled their original suggestion of planting an oak tree had been rejected by WWHA and questioned whether an alternative, ie dwarf flowering cherry tree would be permitted? The Clerk will make enquires.

	In accordance with the decision to run a competition for Llanbedr School [Page 1220 Item 12 (ii)] it was suggested pupils are invited to design signage for the nature garden - the winning sign to be unveiled at the opening event in May (date to be confirmed). The Clerk to ask Cllr Lusted to discuss this with the Headmistress. Criteria to be agreed.				
8.	<p><b>Five Councils Meeting: to discuss arrangements</b></p> <p>The date of the next Five Councils meeting was set for Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> March in Llanbedr Village Hall. The Five Councils will be asked to submit agenda items. Members suggested the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parking in Crickhowell</li> <li>• Retrospective planning</li> <li>• Lack of police presence – it was suggested Crickhowell Civic Society is invited</li> <li>• Broadband</li> </ul> <p>Agenda to be finalised at the next meeting.</p>				
10.	<p><b>Councillor Vacancy - up-date:</b></p> <p>No applications have been received – vacancies continue to be advertised.</p>				
11.	<p><b>Clarence Hall to consider supporting re-development plans:</b></p> <p>Cllr Christy (Chairman of the Trustees of the Clarence Hall) reported plans for the re-development of the Clarence Hall are due to go out for consultation. Following publication of these plans the Trustees will look into funding, for which letters of support will assist. Members asked to see the plans prior to agreeing to support the scheme. Cllr Christy will circulate a link to the web site and Facebook.</p> <p>Cllr Christy informed Members he is also involved in a project to restart the water fountain in Crickhowell. It was recalled several years ago the Council had investigated restoring the fountain in Llangenny when it had been informed mains water is required to meet purity standards. Cllr Christy is currently looking into the regulations involved and offered to report back his findings. It was suggested community projects in general should be placed on the February agenda for discussion.</p>				
12.	<p><b>Retrospective Planning to receive up-date:</b></p> <p>Nothing to report - Members agreed this should remain on the Council's agenda and discussed at the next Five Councils Meeting.</p>				
13.	<p><b>Any Other Business (for information purposes):</b></p> <p>No further business.</p>				
14.	<p><b>Finance:</b></p> <p>13.1 Cllr Morris proposed the following items be approved for payment, this was seconded by Cllr Sharman and duly agreed:</p> <table style="margin-left: 40px;"> <tr> <td>G James (Salary £242.27/Exp £25)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 267.27</td> </tr> <tr> <td>HMRC (Tax)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 49.40</td> </tr> </table> <p>13.2 <b>Finance Report:</b> Members agreed to vire £11 from office expenses to cover the deficit in the web site budget.</p> <p>13.3 <b>Precept:</b> Following consideration of the current year's receipts/expenditure, projected figures for the forthcoming year and the external auditor's recommendation the Council look at the level of its general reserves Cllr Sharman proposed the precept is set at £7,000 (a</p>	G James (Salary £242.27/Exp £25)	£ 267.27	HMRC (Tax)	£ 49.40
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	<p>reduction of £500). This was seconded by Cllr Morris and unanimously agreed.</p> <p>13.4 <b>Other:</b> Nil.</p>
<b>15.</b>	<p><b>Highways:</b> A meeting with PCC has been arranged for 11 am on Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> January at Craig Y Bwla junction. Cllrs Alford, Morris and Sharman to attend.</p>
<b>16.</b>	<p><b>Reports on Meetings Attended:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• OVW: Cllr Morris and the Clerk attended a road safety meeting attended by the Police Crime Commissioner. It is apparent there are lots of common traffic issues.</li> <li>• Local Access Forum: Cllr Sharman attended and reported items discussed included ROW, Brexit and our land – tree planting proposed on commonland – it was questioned how this is going to affect the commoners? Larch trees are being left, not burnt or used. Waterfall area – access issues.</li> </ul>
<b>16.</b>	<p><b>Correspondence:</b> The following correspondence was received and discussed as appropriate.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>BBNPA:</b> planning registers</li> <li>2. <b>BBNPA:</b> Draft Rights of Way Improvement Plan - <i>put on agenda</i></li> <li>3. <b>Wales Rural Network News Round-up Issue 26:</b> December 2018</li> <li>4. <b>OVW:</b> The Cardiff and Vale of Glamorgan Social Value Steering Group "Toolkit"</li> <li>5. <b>Llangattock CC:</b> how to deal with confidential waste.</li> <li>6. <b>Llangattock CC:</b> advice/request for assistance regarding resident</li> <li>7. <b>WG:</b> Community and Town Council Update</li> <li>8. <b>BBNPA:</b> Consultation on Scoping Report for Sustainability Report</li> <li>9. <b>BBNPA:</b> 18/16935/LBC – on agenda</li> <li>10. <b>OVW:</b> Brecon and Radnor Road Safety Meeting 11th January 2019</li> <li>11. <b>OVW:</b> New developments of more than 1 dwelling/construction area of 100 m2 or more, will require SuDS for surface water.</li> <li>12. <b>PCC:</b> Adopted Powys LDP 2011- 2026: Supplementary Planning Guidance Public Consultation</li> <li>13. <b>BBNPA:</b> Agenda for National Park LAF meeting - 10th January, 2019, 2.00 pm</li> <li>14. <b>Powys Health Board:</b> Notice of Radnorshire &amp; Brecknock Committee Meeting 10/01/19</li> <li>15. <b>OVW:</b> New Year 2019 News Bulletin</li> <li>16. <b>OVW:</b> Brecon/Radnor Area Committee Meeting Papers for 18th January 2019</li> <li>17. <b>PCC:</b> Play Sufficiency in Powys - review and status of Play Sufficiency Opportunities</li> <li>18. <b>Crickhowell Civic Society:</b> invite to Police Commissioner to meeting with T/C Councils</li> <li>19. <b>OVW:</b> National Awards Conference 2019</li> <li>20. <b>Powys LDP –</b> Draft Supplementary Planning Guidance Public Consultation</li> <li>21. <b>OVW:</b> Older Peoples Commissioners Newsletter Special Bulletin</li> <li>22. <b>OVW:</b> Living Memory' Workshops - National Library of Wales</li> <li>23. <b>BBNPA:</b> permitted 18/16761/CON</li> <li>24. <b>Clerks &amp; Councils Direct:</b> January 2019</li> </ol>
<b>17.</b>	<p><b>Miscellaneous/Late Items of Correspondence:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>25. <b>Cty Cllr Morris:</b> Current standard of financial management "disappointing" – Auditor General's Report.</li> <li>26. <b>PCC:</b> meeting with Ian Mills - 11am on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> Jan at Craig-y-bwla junction.</li> <li>27. <b>P. Corbett:</b> Community market garden in Glangrwyney -</li> <li>28. <b>Revader Security:</b> Redeployable Cameras for Councils</li> <li>29. <b>WG:</b> Welsh Government Consultation</li> <li>30. <b>Abergavenny Town Council:</b> training sessions sponsored by WG on LDP</li> <li>31. <b>Powys Health Board:</b> Powys CHC Executive Meeting 24th January</li> </ol>

	<p>32. <b>Powys Health Board:</b> Powys CHC Services Planning Committee Meeting 24th January</p> <p>33. <b>WG:</b> Gwlad newsletter 17 January 2019</p> <p>34. <b>BBNPA:</b> Planning register – 11/01/19</p> <p>35. <b>OVW:</b> Information guide to helping water customers struggling to pay</p> <p>36. <b>OVW:</b> Training -</p> <p>37. <b>OVW:</b> Police &amp; Crime Commissioner Newsletter</p>
<p><b>18.</b></p>	<p><b>Items for inclusion in the next Agenda:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Community projects</li><li>• BBNPA - Draft Rights of Way Improvement Plan</li><li>• LDP</li></ul>

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 21.28pm

Signed: .....  
Chairman