

**Gwernyfed Community Council**  
**Minutes of Meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2018**  
**Felindre Village Hall, Felindre**

Community Councillors Present     Mr Andy Jones (Chair)  
   Mr Ray Jeffries  
   Mrs Margaret David  
   Mr Grahame Day  
   Mrs Cheryl Hyde  
   Mr Derek Price

In Attendance     Cllr James Evans, and Mrs Rachel Jones (Clerk).

**1     Opening Comments**

AJ welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**2     Declarations of Interest**

None

**3     Apologies**

Community Councillors Mrs Jackie Hattingh, Mr Mike Bugler, Mr David Edlin and Mr Eric Hoole

**4     Minutes of the meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2018**

Accuracy

The minutes were accepted as accurate and were signed by AJ

Matters Arising

I     Item 4(I)     The Clerk clarified that the Pound Field in Felindre had been moved from the Leisure & Recreation Department to the Housing Department within the council, but no change of use in planning terms had been submitted or approved.

**Action:** Clerk to forward e-mail to CH for information

II    Item 4II     AJ reported the keys for the noticeboard were on order

III   Item 4III    AJ had passed a copy of the draft protocol for supporting educational visits to Mr Williams at Gwernyfed High School; the schools response is awaited.

IV    Item 4V     A response had been received from Powys County Council regarding the accidents that have occurred on the Hay side of Glasbury, and whilst there was a concern over the number of accidents, the Highways Engineer did not feel that additional signage or speed limit alterations were required. JE confirmed that he is meeting with Cllr Liam Fitzpatrick, Portfolio Holder for Highways, to discuss the matter further. It was suggested that further information on the detail of the accidents could be useful, and it was agreed to contact Dyfed Powys Police for this information.

**Action:** Clerk to contact Dyfed Powys Police.

V     Item 4VII    CH reported that the Brecon & Radnor Express weren't able to produce an article on the Foodbank. CH suggested that she speak with Mrs Bugler on her return and that the Foodbank themselves may be able to produce an article.

VI    Item 4X     In response to the ongoing matter of the LDP and the planning application for the Tramroad cottage site, DE and AJ had produced a draft response which was discussed, and it was agreed that AJ should send this to PCC. It was also noted that the planning application was going for determination on 15<sup>th</sup> March and that the Community Council could make a representation at this meeting. It was agreed to ask DE if he would be able to attend on behalf of the Community Council.

**Action:** AJ to speak to DE

VII   Item 4XI     It was noted that the works to the light in Twin Oaks had been undertaken.

VIII   Item 4XII    The Clerk confirmed that the further information had been passed to the Schools Service at PCC regarding the tree in the stream at Gwernyfed and the potential further damage.

- IX Item 4XIV CH reported that she was again having difficulties with Broadband.
- X Item 6(iv) The Clerk confirmed that a response had been sent to the Brecon Beacons National Park Authority regarding their LDP review.
- XI Item 11(i) RJ and JE had discussed the matter of the variable speed limit at Storey Arms, and additional signage was going to be requested
- XII Item 11(ii) AJ had attended a meeting of the Steering Group for the proposed Brecon to Hay multi-use path. He reported that they were hoping to raise a small sum of money to undertake a feasibility study on the Brecon to Three Cocks section; the Glasbury to Hay section had been done previously by PCC. There does appear to be some significant hurdles, not least the co-operation of landowners, but AJ felt that this was an important issue. This was agreed by all and CH and GD expressed an interest in attending the Steering Group on behalf of the Community Council, in addition to AJ.

## **5 Planning Matters**

Application Ref: P/2018/0214 Household: Erection of an extension and conversion of garage at 8 Dan-Y-Bryn Glasbury

There was no comment on this application

## **6 Literature & Information Received**

- (i) Budget Preparation 2018/19

This item was received.

- (ii) Kidney Wales – Walk for Life

This item was received.

- (iii) PCSO Report

This item was received

- (iv) Policing Team January Report

This item was received

## **7 County Councillors Report**

JE reported that the budget had been agreed and there will be a 5% increase in Council Tax. The Welsh Government have backed, and are funding, an improvement board to assist Powys with its transformation programme. Refuse collection days have changed, JE explained that by consolidating delivery rounds, this would save the Council approximately £500,000. Gwernyfed High School will receive £7.2million investment to provide new teaching facilities. This will include withdrawing from the mansion house which could be used by local businesses or arts organisations. The Local Democracy Review had published their draft findings, and there was no change suggested for Gwernyfed.

## **8 Dark Skies**

CH had looked at the three draft papers and had done a further edit that drew from all of them. These suggestions were discussed and all were agreed. AJ suggested that the paper be adopted as guidelines for the Community Council and this was agreed by all present. The guidelines will be sent to the Planning departments of PCC and BBNP and JE will take a copy to the LDP Committee at Powys. A copy will also go on the website.

**Action:** copies to be distributed as agreed

## **9 Membership of the Community Council**

AJ reported that he had received a letter of resignation from JH. It was agreed by all that JH had brought a great enthusiasm and determination to her work with the Community Council and her loss would be greatly felt. It was agreed to sound out locally if there were any interested persons.

## **10 Items for the Brecon & Radnor Express**

This item had been covered previously on the agenda

## 10 Financial Matters

- (i) Clerk Salary

The Clerks salary of £200 was agreed

## 11 Any Other Business

- (i) The /clerk had received the invoice for membership of One Voice Wales for £139, this was agreed

**Action:** Clerk to send cheque

- (ii) RJ queried the condition of the bridge in Glasbury and when the repairs would be carried out to the road surface and railings. JE agreed to follow up to see if these works were in the Capital Programme.

**Action:** Clerk to place as an agenda item for next months meeting

- (iii) DP reported that in the absence of the noticeboard at the garage in Glasbury, he was putting the minutes on the noticeboard at the River Café.

Next meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2018 at 7:30pm in St Peters Church Hall, Glasbury on Wye

End of Meeting

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