

**Minutes of a Meeting of Disserth & Trecoed Community Council on 9th February 2016
commencing at 7.00pm in St John's Hall, Cwmbach**

Present: Cllr G Price, C Hartley, J Hamer, S Richardson, P Deakin, V Norris, D Morgan

Apologies: Cllr C Myhill, N Mills

Absent: Cllr G Morris

DT 11/16

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting held on 12th January 2016 were approved and signed.

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Information from Minutes

None

DT 13/16

Correspondence

a) Powys County Council – Blocked Drains

Email from Tracey Harley stating that the gully emptier attended at the Willowbrook end and spoke to the house owner who was now satisfied that the problem had now been sorted, they will be going back to check out the drainage the other end as soon as the weather gets warmer as the machine is currently frozen up. Members welcomed this.

b) One Voice Wales – Renewal of Membership - £187

Resolved: To renew subscriptions on 1st April 2016.

c) Powys County Council – LDP

Email as follows:

I am writing to inform you that in accordance with Regulation 22 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Development Plan)(Wales) Regulations 2005(Amended 2015) Powys County Council has submitted the Deposit Powys Local Development Plan 2015, the Schedule of Focussed Changes and the accompanying Assessment/Appraisal documents to the Welsh Government and the Planning Inspectorate for Public Examination. An independent Inspector will be appointed to carry out an independent assessment of the overall soundness of the Plan, details of which will be published later.

An independent Programme Officer, Tracey Smith, who will be responsible to the Inspector and will assist with the administration of the Examination, has been appointed. Ms Smith can be contacted by email on tracey.smith@powys.gov.uk or telephone 0791939609. The **Schedule of Focussed Changes** is now available for public consultation for a 6 week period from Friday 29th January 2016 – 4.30pm Friday 11th March 2016 and details of where the Schedule may be viewed and on the ways to submit a representation are provided on the Notice enclosed with this letter. <http://www.powys.gov.uk/en/planning-building-control/local-development-plan/>

It should be noted that representations at this stage should specify the matters and grounds to which they relate and **must only relate to the Focussed Changes**. Representations should not propose further changes to the Deposit LDP.

If you submitted representations during the Deposit Public Consultation held from 8th June -20th July 2015 they have been considered by the Council and the Council's response to each can be viewed on-line in an appendix to the Consultation Report, January 2016 or, by clicking on the relevant Ref Point in each of the consultation documents or, can be viewed in paper form at the four Council Offices detailed on the enclosed Notice. This was noted.

d) Welsh Government – Edwina Hart – A470

Email from Minister as follows:

“Thank you for your email of 19 January regarding the A470 at Cwmbach, Powys. The safety and reliability of the strategic road network is my primary transport concern. Stock proof fencing was installed at the boundary of Welsh Government land as part of the construction of the Cwmbach to Newbridge section of the A470. In addition, handrails were installed on the top of the arch forming the overpass for the new A470, to provide protection for pedestrians. I have asked my officials to check the integrity of the fencing and handrails in the area.”

Members welcomed this and will await further information.

e) Llandrindod High School – Emergency Meeting

The Clerk informed all members of an emergency meeting to take place on Thursday 11th February 2016 to discuss the future of the school. All members of the community are invited to attend.

f) Red House – Welsh Government – A470

Letter from Mr G Jones asking the Community Council to contact Welsh Government with regard to an issue. Members agreed this is a personal issue and the Community Council could not get involved.

Resolved: The Clerk will forward contact details of the relevant officers within PCC to allow Mr Jones to move forward with this matter.

DT 14/16

Planning Applications

- a) TREE/2016/0006 - Felling of 4 mature oak trees subject to a TOP at rear of Crossways Court, Howey. **No objection.**

DT 15/16

Finances

- a) **Photocopying - £109.50 – approved.**

DT 16/16

Council Vacancy

The Council has not received any applications for the vacant position. This will remain open until further interest has been received.

DT 17/16

County Councillors Report

- a) **Powys County Council Budgets**

Cty Cllr Williams reported the following overspends up to 31st December 2015:

Recycling	627,000
Street Cleaning	199,000
Public Toilets	313,000
Leisure Centres	84,000
Schools Transport	455,000

b) Howey Noticeboard

He has been asked if the Community Council will refurbish the noticeboard. The Clerk will look into the price of a new metal external board and report back to the meeting.

c) Trees – Crossways Court

There had been a previous application of cut back some trees however no work had been carried out. The Clerk will pass information to Cty Cllr Williams with regard to this application including details of the relevant Planning Officer.

d) Street Lights – Cwmbach

Following a recent traffic accident Cllr D Morgan had contacted Cty Cllr Williams and the Clerk to ask for street lights to be turned on. This has now been done. There is one more light to turn on and Cty Cllr Williams will speak to Street Lighting with regard to this.

e) Troed Rhiw – Fence & Drop Kerb

Cty Cllr Williams will speak to PCC to send an enforcement notice to the resident/s to ask them to erect a fence as a matter of health & safety.

f) Llandrindod High School

Cty Cllr Williams reiterated about the meeting on 11th February 2016.

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Public Questions

None.

DT 19/16

Information

a) Old A470

Cllr Hamer reported that the old A470 just by the junction with Caerwnon is breaking up in the centre of the road. Cllr Richardson reported that there are large potholes appearing on Caerwnon Lane. Cty Cllr Williams will photograph these areas and contact PCC regarding this.

b) New Road

Cllr Hartley reported that New Road has lots of issues with the edges breaking up, potholes and overgrowing trees leaving debris. Cty Cllr Williams will ask for the Road Sweeper for this area.

c) Howey Pavements

Cllr Price asked Cty Cllr Williams to arrange for the Road Sweeper to clear the pavements from Howey Village to Goylands Close.