

Minutes of a Meeting of of Disserth & Trecoed Community Council on 10th October 2017 commencing at 7.00pm in Iron Room, Cwmbach

Present: Cllr G Price, H Harwood, S Richardson, D Morgan, M Pleszkan
Cty Cllr G Williams

Apologies: Cllr N Mills, P Deakin

The Chairman welcomed members to the meeting, in particular Cllr Mick Pleszkan to his first meeting since co-option.

TC 69/17 Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting held on 12th September 2017 were approved and signed.

DT 70/17 Information from Minutes

There was none.

DT 71/17 Correspondence

a) Howey Herald

The Clerk circulated a copy of the Howey Herald to those members who with outside of Howey.

b) Powys County Council - Potholes

Email informing that the Council's complaint had been forwarded to Lyndon Price, the officer responsible for this area and would be undertaken immediately. Members reported that this work had not been carried out.

Resolved: Clerk to chase this matter up.

DT 72/17 Planning Applications

a) **NMA/2017/0074** – Non material amendment – Application to planning permission PR579800 in respect of moving the doors from the side of conservatory to front to maximize views. Finances

b) **P/2017/1132** - Full: Proposed fodder and timber storage building at Land at Maes y Cae Howey Llandrindod Wells Powys. **No objection.**

c) P/2017/1133

Grid Ref: 306055.86/256059.66 for Full: Proposed rural enterprise dwelling, installation of package treatment plant and all associated works at Land at Maes-y-Cae Howey Llandrindod Wells Powys. **No objection.**

DT 73/17 Finances

a) 2018-19 Information on Budget

The Clerk provided members with a copy of the budget for 2017/18. The budget for 2018/19 will be set at the December meeting and members were asked to give consideration to possible expenditure prior to the meeting in December.

b) Appointment of Internal Auditor – Lee Stephens.

New Audit regulations have now come into place and there is a requirement for an Internal Auditor to be engaged who has experience of the Community Council audit process. The Clerk recommended that the Council appoint Lee Stephens of Newtown at a rate of £22 per hour and 45p per mile travel.

Resolved: to appoint Mr Stephens as Internal Auditor for 2017/18.

DT 74/17 County Councillors Report

a) Cefn Cottage

Cty Cllr Williams had arranged for PCC Highways and the Trunk Road Agency to visit the site, and it has now been agreed to carry out the work required.

b) Residential Care Homes

BUPA is now transferring operations of the 12 Residential Care Homes within Powys to HC1. The BUPA contract will end in 2019.

c) Adult Social Care & Children’s Services

Cty Cllr Williams reported huge overspends on both of the above budgets. He mentioned that following a Welsh Government Inspection a report on Children’s Services is likely to be released shortly, which does not reflect well on the service.

d) Budget

PCC is now starting its budget setting process for 2018/19; he reported that PCC has not achieved its target saving for 2017/18 and more cuts are likely to be made.

e) Overgrown Trees – Rear Millview Close

Cty Cllr Williams reported overgrown trees to the rear of 21,22,23,24 Millview Close. He asked the Council to contact PCC regarding this. **Resolved:** Clerk to contact PCC.

DT 75/17 Public Questions

There were none.

DT 76/17 Information

a) New Road

Cllr Morgan asked Cty Cllr Williams if he could speak with PCC officers to arrange the above road to be swept, particularly between Cilgynydd and Dolycoed Cottages.

b) Howey Village

The Chairman reported that the road white lines have almost disappeared within Howey Village loop.

Resolved: Clerk to write to PCC to request this work be carried out.

c) Tree – Chapel Road

The Chairman reported that a tree had fallen down at the bottom of Chapel Road.

Resolved: Clerk to contact PCC to ask them to remove the tree and debris.

d) Overgrown Bushes

The Chairman asked Cty Cllr Williams if he could speak with Mr Quincey with regard to the overgrown bushes bordering Mill View Close.

e) Electronic Meeting Papers

The Clerk had received an enquiry from a member with regard to receiving meeting summonses and papers electronically. She explained that the Community Council needs to pass a resolution stating that this service can be offered to individual or all members.

Resolved: to offer electronic summonses and meeting papers to all members, anyone wishing to receive these should notify the Clerk.