

**Minutes of the Meeting of of Disserth & Trecoed Community Council on 10th November 2020
commencing at 7.00pm**

Present: Cllr D Morgan, H Harwood, G Evans, S Richardson, S Bridgewater, D Hillman,

Apologies: Cllr G Price, R Blunden (approved)

Cllr D Morgan chaired the meeting in the absence of Cllr G Price.

DT 75/20 Declaration of Interest:
None.

DT 76/20 Minutes
The minutes of the meeting held on 13th October, 2020 were confirmed and signed subject to one amendment.

DT 77/20 Information from Minutes

a) Salt Bins

Cllr Richardson reported that the new bin had been placed on Caerwnon Lane, but unfortunately the yellow one had been removed. Cllr Morgan reported that no bin had been placed on New Road yet. The Clerk will follow this up with Cty Cllr Williams.

b) Caerwnon Lane – Hedges

Cllr Richardson reported that Smithfield hedge had been cut back, but unfortunately the other side remains uncut. The Clerk will follow this up with Cty Cllr Williams.

DT 78/20 Planning Applications

There were none.

a) The Clerk and 2 members of the Council had been approached by local residents with regards to a previous planning application - **20/1163/FUL** -Grid Reference: **E:305205 N: 258667** - Proposal: Change of use from public house / restaurant to a dwelling - Site Address: The Laughing Dog, Howey, Llandrindod Wells, Powys LD1 5PT. This had been placed before the Council in September 2020.

The Clerk confirmed that the agenda had been published in the noticeboard by Cllr Price and on the website by the Clerk.

The local residents were unhappy with the Council decision not to object to this application which was expressed vigorously to members.

The Clerk had spoken to one of the residents recently and confirmed that correct actions had been taken on behalf of the Community Council.

The Clerk reminded members that if they are unhappy at the tone of approaches, these should be referred to the Clerk.

DT 79/20

Correspondence

a) Welsh Water – Sewage Issues (for information)

Email from Welsh Water forwarded from Cty Cllr Williams for information.

Cllr Bridgewater will now document future incidences and report them to Welsh Water immediately, as previously.

b) HOWLTA – Update on Heart of Wales Line

An update on recent line issues and information regarding HOWLTA. This was noted. The Clerk recommended member to follow the HOWLTA page on Facebook for up to date information.

c) Powys County Council - Broadband

The Powys County Council Regeneration team are offering the opportunity for your community to:

- Express an interest in a pilot project led by Arwain (the LEADER funding programme in Powys), to identify the technology and solutions to improve broadband and support the owners of a small number of residential & commercial premises to apply for Welsh & UK Government vouchers to implement solutions.
- Express an interest in receiving support from the Council's new Community Broadband Officer, whether or not your community is chosen for the pilot above.

Cllr Richardson reported that there are issues on parts of Caerwnon Lane. Some new installation is taking place this week; she will monitor this and if speeds do not improve she will contact the Clerk.

Resolved: to register for this scheme for Caerwnon Park, if appropriate.

DT 80/20

Finances

a) Vision ICT – Website – Interim Payment - £672.00 - approved

b) Vision ICT – Hosting - £168.88 – approved.

DT 81/20

Request for Training – Clerk – Practitioners Conference - £75

The Clerk requested funds to attend the remote Practitioners Conference in February 2021.

Resolved: to pay the fee of £75

DT 82/20

Annual Audit Return 2019/20

The completed Audit Return was circulated to members. The Council had received an unqualified audit once again. Therefore, no issues were raised. This was noted. The Clerk will place this on the website for public information.

DT 83/20

Appointment of Internal Auditor for 2020/21 – LRS Audit

The Clerk recommended the appointment of LRS Audit for 2020/21.

Resolved: to appoint LRS Audit.

DT 84/20

Consider Purchase of Zoom Pro - £119.90 + VAT

Following issues with the last meeting hosting the Clerk had used Zoom Pro for this meeting. Members were very happy with this system.

Resolved: to purchase Zoom Pro on behalf of the Community Council at a cost of £119.90 plus VAT.

DT 85/20 **County Councillor's Report**
None.

DT 86/20 **Information**

a) Defibrillator – Howey

The Clerk will contact the owners of the former Laughing Dog to see if they are happy for the Defibrillator to remain on their building.