

Minutes of a Meeting of of Disserth & Trecoed Community Council on 11th October 2016 commencing at 7.00pm in The Iron Room

Present: Cllr G Price, H Harwood, S Richardson, P Deakin, D Morgan, V Norris, J Hamer, N Mills, C Myhill

Apologies: CllrC Hartley,

Absent: Cllr G Morris

TC 68/16

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting held on 13th September 2016 were approved and signed.

DT 69/16

Information from Minutes

None.

DT 70/16

Correspondence

a) British Telecom – Payphones

Notification of the plan to remove red phone boxes within Powys. Phone box no 822677 within Howey is one of these. This also offered for the Community Council to take over ownership of this. Cllr Norris felt this is an important asset to the village and felt it was used particularly by the residents of Mill View Close.

Resolved: to object to the removal on the grounds that many residents do not have landlines and mobile phones, some residents in the area are vulnerable and that it is an important resource for the community.

b) Geraint Evans – Llanelwedd School Governorship

Notification that Geraint Evans' term of governorship is due to end shortly. The school has agreed, subject to the consent of the Community Council and providing that they do not wish to elect another Councillor to the position, I can remain on the board of Governors as a 'Community Representative'.

Resolved: to support Geraint Evans to remain as Community Governor on behalf of the Community Council.

c) Steve Packer – Cilgwynfydd Plantation

Email from Steve Packer as follows:

"This is to let you know that a Certificate of Lawful Use has been received for the above but not yet registered.

I will keep you up to speed.

However, the lack of permanent services on the site (electricity etc) does, not in itself, mean that there has been no change of use as the question to be answered is 'has the applicant been living on site in a caravan/mobile home for in excess of 10 years'?"

d) Chris Davies MP – Diabetes

Literature and poster for a campaign that Chris Davies MP is fronting. Members were asked to circulate this information.

e) Powys County Council – LDP

Notice of Proposed Further Focussed Changes Public Consultation. Monday 10th October – Monday 21st November 2016

Following the submission of the Powys Local Development Plan to the Welsh Government and the Planning Inspectorate for Public Examination in January 2016 and following the Exploratory Meeting held with the appointed Inspector, Mrs Nicola Gulley, on May 10th 2016, Powys County Council is undertaking a further period of public consultation on a proposed **Schedule of Further Focussed Changes October 2016**.

The Further Focussed Changes are subject to a formal **6 week public consultation between Monday 10th October and 5.30 pm Monday 21st November 2016**. The proposed Schedule of Further Focussed Changes and supporting Assessments/Appraisals and a form for making representations are available online at

<http://www.powys.gov.uk/LDP>.

and available for public inspection at the Council's main offices (plus local libraries) below:

**County Hall, Llandrindod Wells,
Wells**

The Gwalia, Llandrindod

**Neuadd Brycheiniog, Brecon
Welshpool**

Neuadd Maldwyn,

Representations at this stage should specify the matters and grounds to which they relate and **must only relate to the Further Focussed Changes**. Representations should not propose further changes to the Deposit LDP 2015 and the Schedule of Focussed Changes January 2016; any such representations will be disregarded as they should have been made during the earlier stages of the Plan preparation. Duly made representations will be forwarded to the Planning Inspectorate for consideration by the Inspector appointed to examine the soundness of the Plan.

Completed Representation forms should be returned to The LDP Team, Planning Policy, The Gwalia, Llandrindod Wells, LD1 6AA or via email to ldp@powys.gov.uk
This was noted.

DT 71/16

Planning Applications

- a) **P/2016/0979** – Erection of two storey extension to existing dwelling together with demolition of outbuilding and rear store at Fron Farm, Howey. **No objection.**

- b) **P/2016/1005** - Section 191 for lawful development certificate for the continuous residential occupation for more than 10 years at Cilgynfydd Wood Disserth Builth Wells Powys.

Members discussed this application as length in view of the historic issues which have been evident for some years.

Resolved: to object to this application on the following grounds:

- There is little evidence of continuous residential occupation.
- The letters of support do not mention continuous residential occupation.
- Members feel that local residents have not been notified of this application
- There is no evidence of Council services being accessed at this site.
- There is no evidence to prove that this site has a registered postal address.
- The Community Council has been in regular contact with the Planning Department since 2008 with regard to issues at the site concerning environmental matters.
- Little response has been received from the Planning Department from 2008 until 2015 despite regular emails being sent, however recent satisfactory contact has been maintained.

Community Council has also asked Cty Cllr Gwilym Williams to "call in this application" to be heard by the Planning Committee.

The Community Council would also like to request that in the event of approval being given, that a clause be placed within the approval ensuring that the site is kept free of rubbish and items which are a threat to the environment.

DT 72/16

Finances

- a) St John's Hall – Room Hire - £75 – approved.

DT 73/16

County Councillors Report

- a) Reported that Llandrindod and Builth Wells High Schools will both close in 2018 and will re-open the next day as one school on two sites. The staff will be expected to reapply for their posts.
- b) The Bus Shelter at Caerwnon Park is now completed. Cllr Richards thanked Cty Cllr Williams on behalf of the residents of the park for his hard work on this matter.
- c) The County Council budget is currently £5.5m during the current financial year. This is extremely worrying.

- d) The overgrown hedge along the A470 is still an issue, Cty Cllr Williams will arrange to meet with an officer as there is some confusion as to ownership.
- e) Some investigation has taken place with regard to the grant funding of new play equipment. Grant applications will involve setting up a committee. The Clerk pointed Cty Cllr Williams in the direction of the Community Champion for Tesco suggesting she spoke with her.

DT 74/16 Public Questions

None.

DT 75/16 Information

a) Defibrillator

Cllr Norris reported that he is due to take delivery of the Defibrillator on 12th October, he will then take this to the Laughing Dog where it will be installed and commissioned.

Cllr Richardson reported that Caerwnon Park's Defibrillator will be commissioned on 21st October 2016.

b) Over Grown Trees

Cllr Harwood notified members of an issue with trees from Corven Hall overgrowing her site. This is a private matter and Cllr Harwood will contact the owners privately.