

CLYRO COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Meeting held at
7pm on Tuesday 13th February 2018
In the Village Hall at Clyro

MINUTES

PRESENT: Cllr V Price (Chairman), Cllr E J Brown (Vice Chairman), Cllr P Bate, Cllr J Fforde, Cllr D Hood, Cllr G Franks, Cllr A Hood, Cllr R Wells and Cllr J Carter.

IN ATTENDANCE: Margaret and Ivor Wadley, Ron Francis, Andrew Lloyd, Claire Mitchell, Nicola Hopwood, Carolyn Blake, Diane Emms, Dorothy Carrington and Diane Workman.

APOLOGIES: Trish Richardson, School Governor

MINUTES: Following amendments, the Minutes for the January meeting were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST: None

RESPONSIBLE PERSON for duration of this meeting for fire regulations: Chairman Price who pointed out all fire exits and advised that the meeting point was by the church gate.

PLANNING MATTERS:

Application Ref: **P/2018/0030** Grid Ref: 320957.35/242913.86 for Section 73 application for variation of condition 2 of P/2009/1276 in relation to amendment of approved plans at The Baskerville Hall Clyro Court Clyro – To amend existing planning approval for a single storey toilet block by adding a second storey to form a managers living accommodation and office facilities. To revise the external cladding and roofing to more sympathetic materials and add a second floor area - *No objection*

Application Ref: **P/2018/0136** Grid Ref: 318973.34/242942.99 for Change of use of part of existing barn for insertion of additional bedroom pod at Upper Noyadd, Clyro Hereford – *No objection*

Application Ref: **P2018 0137** Grid Ref: 321162.96/243371.94 for ADV: Display of 4 no. non-illuminated signs at Clyro Church in Wales Primary School, Clyro Hereford Powys – *No objection*

Application Ref: **P/2016/0397** Chicken sheds at Lower House Farm - report on result and conditions –

Cllr Roger Wells spoke about the planning meeting in Llandrindod on 1 February where the planning was discussed quite thoroughly by the planning committee and that it was passed, although very closely and the Local Authority did acknowledge the concerns of the local community and obviously the desire of Andrew Lloyd and his family to diversify and they imposed a great deal of conditions. Cllr Wells read out a letter that he would like to be sent to Powys County Council planning department which acknowledges that the application has been passed but it is important to ensure that the impact is kept to a minimum and that the conditions are adhered to because of the strong emotions and concerns amongst the

community. Following the planning meeting that Cllr Wells and Cllr D Hood recently attended, Powys County Council did request that dialogue be entered into both before and after the planning process.

Cllr Fforde then stated that obviously we should be looking at the concerns of the local community and instead of sending something to Powys County Council, could we make a resolution that if they have some sort of issue, they bring it to us, the Community Council rather than adding another tier of bureaucracy. Cllr Bate mentioned that if we do start engaging with Powys County Council, this will obviously increase the time spent and the applicant obviously needs to get on with this development.

Mr Lloyd spoke at the meeting and stated that there are 35 conditions that need to be adhered to, i.e. height of the shed, landscaping, trees and amount of trees, colour of the shed. There is a very comprehensive list of conditions that need to be met and obviously these will be followed and adhered to.

Nicola Hopwood then spoke and said that what Cllr Wells had proposed was a very constructive and grown up way of saying let's engage with the community, we obviously have to reluctantly accept that the planning has been passed but how are the Council going to bring the community together following the ill feeling that this application has caused and a constructive dialogue with everybody concerned would be a good thing.

Cllr R Wells proposed that the letter be sent and was seconded by Cllr D Hood.

Following a vote (5 to 4 against) it was agreed not to send anything to Powys County Council as it is the authority's responsibility to ensure that all conditions are met.

MATTERS ARISING:

REPORTS ON DOCUMENTS READ, MEETINGS ATTENDED AND ACTIVITIES ETC:

SCHOOL GOVERNORS REPORT: Cllr J Fforde read out a report from the Parent Governor as Trish Richardson has been unavailable and this is available on request.

The board of Governors now have a Community Governor place vacant and are asking if anyone from the Community Council would be willing to go onto the School Governing Body. Cllr Alan Hood put himself forward for the Community Governor, this was proposed by Cllr E Brown and seconded by Cllr D Hood.

POLICE REPORT: Hay PCSO 8057 Helen Scott – 7th February 2018 report for January 2018 – This was read through at the meeting.

Cllr E Brown noted that the report states September although this was sent through in February for January. It was suggested that we request a representative of the police force come to the meeting, Cllr Carter previously composed a letter requesting their attendance but heard nothing back from them, Cllr Fforde agreed to re-send a copy.

REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR GIBSON-WATT:

There was no report although Councillor Gibson-Watt submitted a copy via email the following day and this is attached.

CORRESPONDENCE (incl)

1. Letter from Clerk – *Mrs Barbara Powell informed the Council that she was unfortunately unable to continue as Clerk. Cllr Fforde then told the meeting that Mrs Diane Workman, who was the second choice is present and is willing to take over the position as Clerk. PAVO confirmed that the job didn't need to be advertised as the existing clerk is within the three-month probation period. All were in favour and this was ratified, Chairman Price then invited Mrs Workman round to sit with the existing clerk.*
2. British Red Cross – *Annual request for funds to support local services – No action as we have a set group of local people that we support*
3. Independent Review Panel Engagement Events – *E mail to councillors*
4. LDP – communication preference – *Request for email and letter*
5. PCC – Bin collection day change – *No action as email will be sent to every household*
6. Community Health Council recruiting members – *Notice Board*
7. Pensions Regulator – Declaration of compliance to be completed – *pass to Cllr Fforde*
8. PCC – Open Space Assessment – *Notify PCC that there are two allotments in Clyro at Castle Estate and the waiting list is not held by the Community Council but with Powys County Council*
9. PCC – General Dispensations – *E mail to all councillors*
10. PCC – Archives Department – *E mail details to Cllr J Fforde*
11. Independent Review Panel (duplicated)
12. Trish Barrell – siting of mast for fibre broadband – *Request for Trish to attend next meeting to discuss this in greater detail*
13. Microsoft Office subscription – *New Clerk, Mrs Workman, to investigate the cost and renew the subscription if it's under £60*

Cllr Fforde informed the meeting that Wilmot Dixon are unable to assist with white gate fences due to a problem with highways, they are only able to help with the pews in the church.

Cllr Fforde went on to report on the speed indicating cameras, their policy document states that unless it was 30mph, they do not allow it. The question was raised that as there is a discretionary 20mph limit for the school period, would it be considered for those times. Cllr Fforde will put this to them.

Cllr Fforde read out a report regarding a meeting his father in law (Mr Roberts) attended in Brecon with the Dyfed Powys Police and Crime Commissioner which was called to introduce the Commissioner and the Strategic Police and Crime Plan 2017/21 and to consult with local community. A copy of this report is available on request, basically the floor was open to comments from the floor and several members of public raised issues relating to traffic offences and following on from this, I raised concerns about concerns on speeding on the A438 at Clyro that despite speed camera signs present, there were no speed cameras

located there and that traffic was often in excess of the 40mph limit and totally ignored the 20mph school warning lights. I suggested that many of these were local drivers, including HGV's, who were aware that there were no cameras and that no action would be taken against them. I said that the local community council had looked at various options including Solar Pad Speed Indicators but no funding was available in Powys and the community could not afford to purchase them. Maybe an occasional presence of a mobile speed camera, especially between the hours of 7.30 and 9.30am when schoolchildren gather to catch buses, would act as a deterrent.

Following contact with GoSafe, they claimed that mobile cameras could not be placed in the village as there is no suitable hardstanding adjacent to the road. I pointed out there was an available hardstanding at the bus stop and the private resident is happy for this to be used for this purpose.

The Chief Constable said that the Roads Policing Officer would follow this up and the latter promised to instigate the positioning of a motorcycle based speed camera within the next few weeks.

I drew attention to Community Speed Watch Scheme training and was told that there wasn't any available at the moment as Hay had lost one of its CSO's due to transfer, I was informed that this would be given immediate attention and that a replacement would be found in the next couple of months. I enquired if CSW could be operated outside 30mph and was informed that it could be operated in 20, 30 and 40mph zones. Immediately after the meeting the Crickhowell PCSO, Billy Dunn, took my details and said that he would set up training within the month.

The Roads Policing Officer also suggested that some Dyfed Powys Police funds were available for speed activated flashing signs.

The Chief Constable assured me that there would be no less or diffused resources because of their location, he also stated that he had instigated numberplate recognition technology on all entries into the area and police body cameras for the protection of both officers and witnesses. He is very supportive of the use of social media and is keen to work with local organisations to improve communications of all kinds.

Cllr E Brown requested that we (a) thank Mr Roberts and (b) ask him to follow up on the promise made by the Chief Constable regarding the motorbike based speed camera.

Cllr Roger Wells informed the meeting that the new website Clyro.org is now up and running and there is a 'subscribe' button but this might cause issues with data protection and the clerk suggested an email be sent to the community asking them to re-subscribe on the new site.

Cllr Wells run through the basic functions of the website and asked if anybody has any additional information to go on to liaise with him. There is also a planning map on the site and if anyone looks on the agenda, there is a link that will take it to the relevant application, it was also suggested that the Local Development Plan be uploaded onto the site which shows where land is likely to be built on.

FINANCIAL:

Bank balances: Reserve £2833.18 - Current £4482.33 (as at 5 Jan 2018)

Payments to include: BT direct debit

Clerks Salary (£159.62) - Cllr D Hood proposed and Cllr E Brown seconded.

The Clerk informed the meeting that the mobile bank has no record of the mandate amendments which was put in to the Hay on Wye branch before its' closure. It was agreed to start the process again and the Clerk will call and get new mandate forms

The Chairman declared the meeting over at 8.20pm and asked if there was anything from the members of the public.

Cllr A Hood then asked why there was no A.O.B. on the Agenda because last month the Chairman advised that the Internal Resolution System be put onto the Agenda and he had therefore circulated the document that was asked for, i.e. Model Local Resolution Protocol for Community and Town Councils. Cllr A Hood suggested that this now be put on the Agenda for next month. The Chairman told the meeting that this is not going to be put onto the Agenda as the Code of Conduct and Standing Orders were voted on and accepted back in November and any amendments/alterations will not be discussed until they are up for renewal. Cllr Fforde raised the point that what we were discussing is not actually community council business and internal squabbles are a waste of our time, we are here to serve the community and not to deal with our own bruised egos.

Members of the public are invited to attend council meetings and to contribute at the conclusion of business. Minutes and agenda available on request. Also displayed on website www.clyro.org

Signed: _____ Date: _____

(Cllr V Price, Chairman)