

CLYRO COMMUNITY COUNCIL  
Meeting held at  
7pm on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2018  
In the Village Hall at Clyro

**MINUTES**

**PRESENT:** Cllr E Brown (Chairman), Cllr R Wells (Vice Chairman) Cllr P Bates, Cllr D Hood, Cllr G Franks, Cllr A Hood, Cllr J Carter, Cllr V Price and Cllr R Lewis

**IN ATTENDANCE:** County Councillor J Gibson-Watt, PCSO Jason Hawkins and members of the public, Margaret and Ivor Wadley

**APOLOGIES:** None

**MINUTES:** The Minutes for the May meeting were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

**DECLARATION OF INTEREST:** None

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

**COMMUNITY COUNCIL ASSETS:**

Cllr D Hood reported back on the broken drain cover on the village green, Cllr A Hood contacted Welsh water who attended and then carried out the repair. Chairman Brown expressed his thanks to Cllr A Hood on behalf of the Community Council. The village green is mowed and the Clerk reported that Mrs Worrall had replied and agreed to our request to make good the path after the building work is completed. Chairman Brown reported on the benches around the village, some are in need of a bit of work along with the notice board by the village hall. Chairman Brown asked for volunteers. The stones by Castle estate are intact and fine. The defibrillator was donated by The Lions Club and is owned by the Community Council. Chairman Brown asked the Clerk to look into the insurance and the maintenance of this item. The other IT related items are all in good working order and accounted for by the Clerk, Chairman Brown and Vice Chairman Wells. Chairman Brown will update the register and prepare it for the next meeting.

**PLANNING MATTERS:**

P/2018/0550 discussion took place and a vote was taken, 8 were in favour of the change of use and 1 abstention.

**MATTERS ARISING:**

1. Mrs Worrall - covered in Community Council Assets
2. Clyro School Governor – Cllr A Hood has requested that he be stood down from the Governor role due to other work commitments. Cllr Price proposed Cllr Lewis, Cllr D Hood seconded and Cllr Lewis agreed to join.
3. One Voice Community and Town Council review response – The Clerk reported on the response encouraging Cllrs to read the response as it does contain some interesting points for the future.
4. Broadband in the village hall – Vice Chairman Wells updated the Community Council on the new contract for broadband, he explained that he has set up a new contract that has halved the monthly bill. Cllr Carter asked if her neighbour could use the wifi, it was explained that she could from outside but she would need to be aware that it is unsecured. Chairman Brown thanked Vice Chairman Wells for his time sorting the wifi out. A discussion ensued regarding broadband in the village.

5. GDPR – *Vice Chair Wells explained how we as a Community Council is covering the new GDPR correctly. The website is set up to be compliant and we are keeping it simple by only using email addresses no other personal data. The Clerk is waiting for guidance regarding data controllers within the Community Council.*
6. Standing orders – *Cllr Price proposed adopting the standing orders as they are, Cllr A Hood advised that our standing orders are not up to the standards required now. Chairman Brown proposed using the model standing orders that have been sent out by One Voice Wales. Cllr D Hood seconded the proposal and all were in favour. Cllr A Hood along with Vice Chair Wells and Cllr Carter agreed to form a sub group to look at the standing orders and report back at the August meeting. All were in favour of this. Chairman asked them to also look at the Code of Conduct to include the protocol in dealing with small complaints within the Community Council.*

#### **POLICE REPORT:**

PCSO Hawkins introduced himself and explained that either himself or PCSO Scott would be attending Community Council meetings regularly. Councillor D Hood commented about traffic surrounding the festival PCSO Hawkins will feed back to Dyfed Powys regarding confusing traffic movement and directions. Chairman Brown asked about the speed of vehicles travelling through the village, PCSO Hawkins agreed to carry on parking in various places around the village to deter people from speeding. Contact details were given and PCSO Hawkins agreed to having one of his cards displayed in the notice board. The full report can be found in appendix A.

#### **REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR GIBSON-WATT:**

Chairman Brown expressed his concern on the state of the verges after the Contractors employed by Powys County Council had done their cut. The footpath between the village and school is also a mess, County Cllr Gibson-Watt will look into this as it has been discussed before. Cllr Price asked about hedges, untrimmed from last year. Half have been done and County Cllr Gibson-Watt is contacting the land agent to ensure that the other half is going to be done. Vice Chairman Wells enquired about the non-material changes to the poultry units, residents are concerned that odour levels are shown to increase with the changes. County Cllr Gibson-Watts replied that it is down to the Planning Officers opinion of the change, i.e material or non-material. He encouraged residents to write to planning with their concerns. Cllr A Hood proposed that the Community Council sends a letter outlining these issues, Vice Chair Wells seconded, and the Community Council were all in favour. Cllr Franks began a discussion around the mud spills that are becoming more prevalent, County Cllr Gibson-Watt is aware of the problem and is not happy that the cost of cleaning up is sometimes left to the County Council. The report can be found in appendix B.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE (incl)**

1. Natwest – *Request for change of address, the Clerk reported that a signatory must ring and carry out any official requests. Extra signatories also need to fill in forms that will be sent out when the change of address is requested. Chairman Brown agreed to ring.*
2. Lynette Gallagher – *Cllr A Hood agreed to report back to Mrs Gallagher*

#### **FINANCIAL:**

Current A/C £4,872.84 (as at 4<sup>th</sup> May 2018). Reserve a/c £2,833.53 (as at 4<sup>th</sup> April 2018)

Payments to made: BT Direct, Clerks salary, One Voice Wales and Hay Days Café.

Cheques made out for £127.62, £40 and £300. Cllr D Hood proposed and seconded by Cllr A Hood.

**AOB:** The Clerk requested that August's meeting could be moved to the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday in the month as she has a long-standing holiday booked. Subject to the hall being available all agreed to move the meeting to August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

The meeting was closed at 8.20pm

**Members of the public are invited to attend council meetings and to contribute at the end of business. Minutes and agenda available on request. Also displayed on website [www.clyro.org](http://www.clyro.org)**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Cllr E Brown, Chairman)

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## Appendix A

### Hay and Surrounding Areas Monthly Updates.



DMT officer	<b>PCSO 8057 Helen Scott</b>
Date:	<b>June 7th 2018 Report for May 2018.</b>
Neighbourhood area:	<b>Hay on Wye Neighbourhood Policing Team area (NPT)</b>

#### **Priorities: For June 2018**

- High visibility patrols around rural and farm locations especially after hours of darkness.
- We are going to re-establish the BOBB scheme in and around Hay.
- A meeting will be arranged for anyone interested in setting up a neighbourhood watch scheme in the area.
- We have still had no success in identified individuals responsible for graffiti around Hay-on-Wye, please report if you see further acts of vandalism or anyone with spray paint.

#### **Update of actions and further activities being undertaken:**

We have had a busy month with recent Hay festival and also the Globe festival, weather was warm which brought a very large number of people to the event with no reported incidents. Concerns were raised regarding parking and lack of coned areas and tickets were issued by both traffic warden and police officers when required.

#### **Other issues of note:**

76 service calls (which included 9 repeat calls), many were residents concerned with festival issues and time was given to Missing vulnerable persons, Road traffic accidents, Suspicious incidents, intelligence gathering and incident investigation.

Hay brought 25 New crimes being investigated across the Hay and Talgarth NPT area as well as enquiries continuing on other undetected crimes previously reported :

- 1 Threat to Kill
- 6 Common Assaults – 3 domestic related
- 2 Shoplift
- 1 Stalking
- 2 Criminal damage to vehicles
- 5 Thefts – Hose, Metal, Waterpipe, postbox, window
- 3 Make off with out payment (petrol)
- 1 Sexual assault
- 1 ABH - Students
- 1 Public order
- 1 Dog bite
- 1 Malicious Communications.
- 1 Sheep Theft
- Assault Police

please be aware that if you have any information or concerns in the area I can be contacted on 101 (ask for 8057) or [elen.scott@dyfed-powys.pnn.police.uk](mailto:elen.scott@dyfed-powys.pnn.police.uk).

## Appendix B

### CLYRO COMMUNITY COUNCIL

12/6/18

REPORT BY COUNTY CLLR JAMES GIBSON-WATT.

#### Gwernyfed High School & Community Sports Centre

No further news at present.

#### Clyro C in W School and the Gwernyfed Catchment

The new school in Clyro opened to pupils yesterday morning (11<sup>th</sup> June) and a video of the opening can be seen on the Powys CC website. The release of balloons has proved controversial, bio-degradable or not, as when balloons return to earth they can present a risk to livestock and wildlife. However, a happy day in general.

#### School Transport

Powys CC is consulting on a draft revised school transport policy. The revised policy and how to respond can be found here:-

[www.powys.gov.uk/haveyoursay](http://www.powys.gov.uk/haveyoursay)

I would urge the council to respond as there are significant changes proposed.

#### Highways

As previously reported, the issue of bollards at the bus stop has been raised with highways officers, who are examining the options again, but I am yet to hear more. I am chasing.

Members will also recall I asked officers to look in to the pollution incident that occurred between Bronydd and Rhydspence some weeks ago, following heavy rain, when run-off from a recently felled woodland area caused the storm drains to block and mud and silt to pour across the A438 and down the bank on the

opposite side. Highways staff did a really good job of clearing up the mess and unblocking the drains and work to deepen the ditch in the verge will follow. The view of highways officers is that this was a 'one-off' incident caused by a very heavy storm and no further action is required, other than some minor storm drainage improvements. I am not completely convinced by this and believe a pollution risk persists at this location, at least until newly planted trees are established there to stabilise the ground.

The cats' eyes on the B4351 are still breaking loose occasionally. It seems that the glue that holds them in place is not as sticky as claimed!

Grass cutting remains a big issue across the county every summer. The gap between cuts is in my view too long, resulting in the cut being more difficult for the contractors to do and the result being less tidy. Between cuts highway safety is sometimes compromised. I have passed on the concerns of the community council to the highways department, although a response is still awaited.

### **Planning**

Non-material applications to vary the conditions of consent for the poultry unit at Lower House Farm have been made, for which no further public consultation is required under the planning regulations. However, Members can view these on the planning portal and comment if so desired.

### **Housing**

The scheme to replace the water mains pipe to the Old Council Houses in Clyro is proceeding, but very slowly. A meeting with residents is being arranged shortly (date TBC) to outline the final arrangements and work programme.

### **Social Care**

The results of Care Inspectorate Wales's inspection into Powys CC's Adult Social Care Services was published on the 1<sup>st</sup> May. The report can be found via the following link.

<http://pstatic.powys.gov.uk/fileadmin/Docs/Adults/180501powysinspectionreporten.pdf>

A mixed report containing some praise for good practice but a number of serious shortcomings to address, the council has since submitted an Adult Services Improvement Plan to the Welsh Government, which is currently being considered by Ministers.

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