

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF ERWOOD COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD AT THE MARKET HALL, ERWOOD ON THURSDAY 20th AUGUST 2015 AT 7.30 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cllr Mrs Anne Nicholls
Cllr Stephen Davies
Cllr Alan Pryce
Cllr Mrs Elizabeth Williams
Cllr Haydn Powell
Cllr Goronwy Davies

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs Karen Laurie-Parry

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllr Gwyn Davies

There were no DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING were read out and discussed and it was agreed that the Chairman sign them as a true record.

MATTERS ARISING

Minute 68-2015

Website Reference 55-2015. The Clerk stated that she had looked at the new website which Cllr Stephen Davies had provided for Erwood Community Council. He commented that he had more details to add on it yet.

Minute 69-2015

Youth Reps at Meeting Reference 60-2015. As there had been no replies from either of the High Schools, it was agreed to leave this.

CORRESPONDENCE

Minute 70-2015

Defibrillator Cllr Elizabeth Williams reported that Friends of Builth Healthcare has agreed to accept the maintenance plan offered by Cariad which is endorsed by the Welsh Ambulance Trust, the suppliers of the majority of the defibrillators to Builth Wells area. This maintenance plan includes:

- Monthly checks
- carry constant supplies
- designated laptop with program to download information following use of defibrillator providing this information to Welsh Ambulance Service instantly
- Free training and continue this annually. No restriction to numbers
- Full record of all checks and training
- Advice stickers clearly showing who to contact following any incident
- 24 hrs daily
- Replace batteries and pads within warranty period
- Would replace defibrillator if faulty

- When defibrillator has been used, Cariad staff will offer advice to the rescuer and attend location within 2 hrs to restore defibrillator to state of readiness
- Cost £250 each defibrillator for a 7 year period which will be paid for by Friends of Builth Healthcare.

All Councillors agreed that this was a very good deal and Cllr Alan Pryce said that he was re-assured with the terms of this agreement, as the first named contact,.

Minute 71-2015

Erwood Toilets Cllr Steve Davies reported that he had been unable to arrange a suitable date for an Open Meeting with the Glasbury Trust due to holidays etc. but it was now agreed that we ask if they can attend on Thursday 3rd September. Cllr Steve Davies to ring Sally in the morning. He also agreed to phone Nicky Davies, Powys County Council to inform her of the present position. Following the last Open Meeting, the Clerk received a letter from one of the residents in Erwood Village which was read out showing concerns if the toilets were closed. It was in order for notices of an Open Meetings to be displayed on Notice Boards and no need to contact every household individually. The Clerk to be informed as soon as possible in order to prepare and distribute posters for the next Open Meeting.

Minute 72-2015

Waudderw Isaf Llaneglwys Full planning permission has been granted by Powys County Council for the Car & Boat shelter/shed at Waundderw Isaf, Llaneglwys for Mr & Mrs D & J Jeffcoate. Reference P/2015/0297.

Minute 73-2015

Speeding Traffic Through Erwood Edwina Hart, AM, Minister of Transport, Welsh Government had stated in her reply that a recent road safety review had concluded that the speed limit through Erwood was appropriate but as she had received other representations from residents of Erwood has passed these comments onto Dyfed Powys Police. Another letter had been received and was read out from a local inhabitant regarding concerns regarding the speeding of traffic through Erwood. It was agreed that the Clerk write to Edwina Hart requesting that S.I.D's be installed in the Village again as these had worked very well in the past, and a copy to be sent to Emma Jackson, Hay Police Station.

Minute 74-2015

Crime Reports The monthly crime & incident report for April shows 119 calls and 20 recorded crimes, May – 178 calls and 23 crimes. Councillors were reminded to use the 101 number to report any incidents. The Clerk was asked to write for reports since May.

Minute 75-2015

Insurance AON Receipt of payment had now been received.

Minute 76-2015

Soil on Erwood Common Derek Price, Powys County Council had written to say that the contractor would be clearing the piles of soil and debris from the Common the following week. This had now been completed.

Minute 77-2015

OVW - New Website The Clerk informed Councillors of the password and address needed to access the One Voice Wales website.

Minute 78-2015

OVW - AGM The One Voice Wales AGM and Conference is to be held this year at Pontrhydfenigaid, Ceredigion on 3rd October at a cost of £75 if booked by 4th Sept. Nine motions have been put forward for discussion at the AGM and these were discussed. No-one from Erwood could attend.

Minute 79-2015

Declarations of Interest Details of the statutory guidance on declaring personal or prejudicial interests were read out and Councillors noted that they should complete the appropriate form for inclusion on the Clerk's register when appropriate.

Minute 80-2015

Rubbish Collection Consultation on the proposed three weekly collections of rubbish by Powys County Council runs until the end of August. Views and comments to be made on line.

Minute 81-2015

Bench on Common Mr David Vaughan had been asked by the President of Erwood W.I. for permission to put a bench on Erwood Common in memory of Mrs Ena Pugh. Mr Vaughan stated to the Clerk that he was in favour of this as long as all graziers and other interested parties were in agreement. It was decided that it was not the Community Council's responsibility and the Clerk was to inform the President of the names of all the graziers so that she could contact them on this.

Minute 82-2015

Powys TLHB - AGM Powys Local Health Board is holding their AGM and Staff Presentations on 17th Sept at Royal Welsh Showground. The Clerk was to inform them that two representatives from Erwood hoped to attend.

Minute 83-2015Highways

Slow sign On Terrace The Clerk chased the Council again as the slow sign has not yet been reinstated. Cllr Alan Pryce reported that there had been a near accident between a motor bike and a pedestrian recently when the bike ended up on the Common. He had suggested that a 'person walking' sign could be fixed on the small 30 m.p.h. sign already there. Mr Ian Mills, Traffic Engineer, Brecknockshire stated he would arrange for remedial work to be carried out as appropriate.

Cleaning of Pavement Cllr Alan Pryce reported that algae was growing on the pavement from top Common towards Cilbedog turn and needs cleaning as quite slippery. The berberis between the telephone box and Market Hall is overgrown and needs cutting back as it's becoming dangerous to walk on the pavement. The Clerk was asked to report these items to Julie at Boughrood Depot.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Minute 84-2015

Audit Request The external audit had reported two items which are outstanding on the audit return. Firstly, they needed clarification whether the defibrillator should have been listed as the Council's fixed asset. Mr Alun Clark, Internal Audit had advised the Clerk that as it was purchased with money collected by the community it was not the Council's asset and this was agreed by all the Councillors at the meeting. Second query – need to provide the Auditors with a budget and a risk assessment document. To date these documents have not been kept by the Clerk but agreed to compile the documents required and send to BDO.

Minute 85-2015

Next Meeting To be decided by Chairman and Clerk

Meeting closed at 9.50 p.m.

THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO CONFIRMATION AT THE NEXT MEETING