

MINUTES OF ERWOOD COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD AT ERWOOD MARKET HALL ON THURSDAY 7th APRIL 2016 AT 7.30 P.M.

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

IN ATTENDANCE - Ms Kate Lewis & Mrs Karen Laurie-Parry

APOLOGIES were given by Cllr Haydn Powell

There were no DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

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

MATTERS ARISING

Minute 55-2016

Survey of Roads Reference 37-2016. Cllr Stephen Davies & Julie Lloyd intend to travel the Erwood roads in the next few weeks.

Minute 56-2016

Speed Watch Scheme Reference 40-2016. The Clerk has now received names of sufficient volunteers for this scheme: Cllr Stephen Davies, Cllr Alan Pryce, Ms Kate Lewis, Ms Jane Barnes & Mr Robert Green, Karen Laurie-Parry, Miss Maddie Bowen, Mr Kieran Gomme. The Clerk will write to PC Andy Pole and find out when this scheme could commence.

Minute 57-2016

Internal Audit Reference 42-2016. The Clerk has not yet had a response from Mr Alun Clark on this.

Minute 58-2016

Erwood Bus
Timetable

Reference 47-2016. The Clerk had received a phone call from Mr John Forsey, PCC stating that the bus timetable would be moved to the Toilet area soon. He also said that their bid on the Bus Stop Review was unsuccessful last time but another bid has been applied for and they will know by end of April if successful.

Minute 59-2016

Erwood Website

Reference 48-2016. Cllr Stephen Davies is presently working on this site and has now added agendas and minutes from last August 2015.

Minute 60-2015

Toilets

Reference 51-2016. Cllr Alan Pryce stated that refurbishment works have now begun to paint inside the toilets and also donations are being received.

CORRESPONDENCE

Minute 61-2016

Donations

Acknowledgement of our donations have been received from British Red Cross, Wales Air Ambulance, Teenage Cancer Trust for Wales and Brecon Advice Centre.

Minute 62-2016

Speeding of
Traffic – Erwood

A reply had been received from Edwina Hart, Welsh Government stating that her officials are currently finalising the guidance on speed indicator devices and she has asked for them to consider Erwood in line with that criteria. The need for rumble strips at the entrances to the village will be considered as part of ongoing road safety monitoring. Kirsty Williams, A.M. had written to the Clerk stating that she had e-mailed the Minister to add further pressure to our request.

Minute 63-2016

Clear View Court Gwenddwr Full planning permission has been received for Change of use of agricultural land at Clear View Court, Gwenddwr for Mr Donald Higgs. Ref P/2015/0095.

Minute 64-2016

Planning – Old Sawmill Site, Erwood The Planning Department, PCC has confirmed that the height of the proposed garages are 3m and the Highways Consultants would consider the matter of the entrances and make comments should they feel it necessary. P//2016/0189.

Minute 65-2015

Planning – Cefnyrallt, Crickadarn A planning application had been received P/2016/0191 for conversion of office, storage and garage to holiday let at Cefnyrallt, Crickadarn for Mr Tim Biggs. It was agreed by all Councillors that this be supported.

Minute 88-2016

Donations Two requests for donations had been received – from Macmillan in Wales and Kidney Wales. As the Councillors supported four charities at the last meeting, it was decided to discuss donation requests at a later date,

Minute 89-2016**HIGHWAYS**

Potholes Cllr Stephen Davies noted the potholes in the area which needed to be filled: on Crickadarn Road outside Edenhurst Bungalow, Erwood, on the road by Dowlings, No.5 Bungalow, Llaneglwys, by Barn near Ty Newydd Bungalow, Crickadarn

Condition of Roads. Cllr Gwyn Davies reported that the roads in Llaneglwys area had still not been swept and no salt bins had been delivered

as yet. Cllr Mrs Elizabeth Williams reported that roads up past Tregaer Farm had not been done. These were noted by Cllr Davies.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Minute 90-2016

Custodial
Trustee for
Toilets

Cllr Alan Pryce had given a letter to the Clerk, written by the Secretary of Erwood Pit Stop Trust requesting that the Erwood Community Council act as Custodial Trustee for the Toilets. As this request had not been received in time to add to the agenda, it was agreed to hold an extra ordinary meeting as soon as can be arranged. Details of this type of Trustee were handed out at the meeting. The Clerk had approached One Voice Wales for their guidance on this but had not received a reply as yet.

Minute 91-2016

Gwernyfed
School

The Clerk had received correspondence from Andrew Jones, Clerk of Glasbury Community Council offering to attend a meeting to explain the proposals to close Gwernyfed High School which she had e-mailed to all the Councillors. An invitation was made to everyone to attend an open meeting on Wednesday 20th April at Gwernyfed School.

The timescale on these two items were very short but it was agreed that once the Clerk had received a reply from One Voice Wales she would try to arrange a meeting to discuss both items.

Minute 92-2016

Letter from
Karen Laurie-
Parry, Tregare,
Erwood

A letter received from Mrs Karen Laurie-Parry was read out. Three points were brought up:

1. Drop in events were suggested to discuss the closure of the local High Schools. As Minute 91 – hope to arrange open meeting soon on this.
2. Bus Shelter needed in Erwood.- As Minute 58 – Mr John

Forsey,PCC has stated the Bus Stop Review was still in progress and the request has already been made for a Bus Shelter for Erwood on the land adjacent to Erwood Inn.

3. A Community Council Website for Erwood would be beneficial for the Community – Cllr Stephen Davies is presently working on this web page and has already added agendas and minutes, other items to follow soon.

Minute 93-2016

Bank Statements Bank balances at end of financial year 31st March 2016.

Business Current Account

Cheques paid out in March £2,341.19

End of Year balance £897.35

Business Savings Account

0.56p interest from 31st Dec to 30th March

End of year balance £4,499.61

Minute 94-2016

Date of Next Meeting To be arranged as soon as information is received from One Voice Wales and when dates are agreed with Claire Sterry, PAVO re Custodial Trustees and Andrew Jones re Gwernyfed School.

The meeting closed at 8.50 p.m.

THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL AT NEXT MEETING