

SEPTEMBER MINUTES

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF ERWOOD COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD IN ERWOOD MARKET HALL ON THURSDAY 21st SEPTEMBER 2023 AT 7PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Cllr Stephen Davies
Cllr Alan Pryce
Cllr Geoffrey Lewis

IN ATTENDANCE:

Gwyneth Davies

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Tom Colbert
Lisa Payne
Caroline Baldwin

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

MINUTES OF LAST MINUTE SIGNED

Minutes of last meeting 17th of August 2023 were read, accepted by all and signed by the chair.

MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING 17th August 2023:

Minute 187.2023

Road Traffic

Ref 177.2023 Clerk has contacted PCSO Trudy Davies and invited her to the September community council meeting, however Trudy didn't reply and so the council has agreed that we will contact Trudy again to see if she would like to come to the October meeting.

Minute 188.2023

Llaneglwys Pothole

Ref 180.2023 The Clerk emailed Daniel Relf to make him aware of this pothole. Clerk has not received a reply and the pothole is still there.

Minute 189.2023

Right of Way Sign and Fence Fallen Over

Ref 182.2023 Cllr Caroline Baldwin has been in touch with the Rights of Way Enforcement Officer for Powys County Council and they confirmed that it is the land owners' responsibility to repair the sign and fence. It has also been officially logged on the Powys CC website with the log number, M15677.

Minute 190.2023

Proposed Right of Way – Erwood to Erwood Station

Ref 183.2023 Cllr Stephen Davies has not been in touch with the land owners yet. He will try to speak to them before the next meeting.

Minute 191.2023**Phone Box Erwood**

Cllr Alan Pryce has cleaned all around the phone box. The residents at Erwood Inn have the paint. Cllr Alan Pryce will send a note to the house to let them know that the box is ready to be painted when they are.

Minute 192.2023**Vacancy of Councillor**

There has been no interest for the position yet. It was agreed to amend the date on the notice boards to the 29th of October. Gwyneth suggested emailing ex-community councillor Liz Williams to see if there's anyone she knows who is interested because when the advert first went out someone in her area showed some interest.

Clerk to get the log in details from Natasha Sayer for the community council Facebook page so that we can also advertise the vacancy online.

Minute 193.2023**Barclays Bank form**

Barclays has sent a letter to the Clerk explaining that the Change of Signing Arrangement Paperwork we have sent in has been incorrect and we must sign a different form and post it back to Barclays. The clerk said that she will look into this and bring the correct paperwork to sign to the October meeting.

Minute 194.2023**Accounts**

The current financial accounts were read out by the chair and agreed by all. Barclays Bank Statements for the 31st of August 2023: Community Account £3,109.40 (Second Precept instalment of £2,833 came into the account and three payments came out: £279.30 for Clerk's August Salary, £0.91 for the interest incurred from being in overdraft (See Minute 170.2023) and £72 for the clerk's iLCA training). Savings Account £529.19 (No change).

Minute 195.2023**Payment of Clerk's September Salary & Annual Data Protection Fee**

The clerk's salary for September is £279.30, this was agreed by all and the council's Annual Data Protection Fee is due to be paid at a cost of £40. This was agreed by all.

Minute 196.2023**Crickadarn Defibrillator**

The Defibrillator is now in the phone box in Crickadarn. Cllr Stephen Davies has put it in. The clerk now needs to register the defibrillator on The Circuit. Clerk will do this before the next meeting.

Minute 197.2023**Wye Valley AONB Partnership**

Councillors emailed over their thoughts regarding the draft positioning statements for the Wye Valley AONB consultation. The Clerk will forward everyone's thoughts before the deadline of the 29th of September.

Minute 198.2023**Welsh Ombudsman's Report**

The email was presented to the council, no one had any comments.

Minute 199.2023**Email Addresses for Councillors**

Cllr Caroline Baldwin & Cllr Lisa Payne have got their official council email addresses.

Cllr Stephen Davies needs to go to each councillor's home to set up their email addresses on their computers. The councillors will organise this in their own time.

Minute 200.2023**Financial Toolkit**

Financial Toolkit was printed and shown to all cllrs present. Gwyneth went to a meeting regarding the Financial Toolkit while she was clerk and it was suggested that the councillors should take charge of completing this document more so than the clerk. It would be much more manageable and easier to complete if different cllrs completed different sections of the toolkit. It was agreed that the clerk will email the Financial Toolkit to all councillors and it will be decided at the next meeting how to approach this.

Minute 201.2023**Pension**

The Clerk has completed the re-declaration of compliance with The Pensions Regulator under the Pensions Act 2008 on 13/09/2023.

Minute 202.2023**Audit**

The Audit report was read out as satisfactory which was accepted by all councillors at the meeting. We are awaiting the invoice.

Completion statement will be completed by the clerk and needs to be on all notice boards and the website for 14 days. To go on Notice boards asap. It was agreed that it will be written on the notice board that these documents are available for 14 days only and the cost will be £5 per sheet if it is requested to be printed.

Highways:**Minute 203.2023****Potholes & Overgrown Weeds**

Top Terrace, Crickadarn Lane the weeds are out of control on the drainage. Affecting water on the road. Could do with spraying to control it through the winter. Clerk to email Daniel Relf and ask for this to be done. Also to ask if he could drive up to Llaneglwys to see the road as there are potholes coming up there too.

Minute 204.2023**Springfield Lane/ Road to Ty Hir Potholes**

Cllr Stephen Davies went to the Highways Depot in Bronllys and spoke to a member of staff regarding what to do with Springfield Lane (Not Daniel Relf). Cllr Stephen Davies suggested concrete. He hasn't heard anything since.

Minute 205.2023

Brecon & Radnor Area Committee October Meeting

Clerk to Email OVW Tracy Gilmartin to ensure that Cllr Geoffrey Lewis and Cllr Alan Pryce are booked into the meeting on the 9th of October.

Items for next meeting

Planning application Ref: 23/1405/FUL.

HMRC Tax Payment

Date of Next Meeting:

12th October

Meeting closed at 8:13pm

**THESE MINUTES WILL BE CONFIRMED AT THE
NEXT MEETING OF ERWOOD COMMUNITY
COUNCIL**