

February Minutes

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF ERWOOD COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD IN ERWOOD MARKET HALL ON THURSDAY 15th February 2024 AT 7PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Cllr Stephen Davies
Cllr Alan Pryce
Cllr Caroline Baldwin
Cllr Louis Macdonald-Ames
Cllr Lisa Payne
Cllr Geoffrey Lewis

IN ATTENDANCE:

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Tom Colbert

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

MINUTES OF LAST MINUTE SIGNED

The Chair welcome everyone to the meeting, the minutes of last meeting were read, accepted by all and signed by the chair.

MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING January 2024:

Minute 19.2024

Repayment of Cllr Allowances

Ref: 3.2024

The Clerk confirmed that the payment has been received.

Minute 20.2024

Meet Your Community Council Evening

Ref: 6.2024

Cllr Alan Pryce surveyed the interest for this meeting at a coffee morning in Erwood Market Hall. Out of the 22 people present only 14 were local and only 2 showed interest.

Minute 21.2024

Defibrillator Update

Ref: 13.2024

The Clerk now has access to The Circuit login for Erwood Market Hall Defibrillator. The defibrillator is reactivated on circuit and ready for an emergency. It was asked whether the clerk can check to see who is designated as the guardian for this defibrillator as it should be Cllr Alan Pryce and/or Ms Michelle Slater.

Minute 22.2024**Vacancy of councillor**

The council has not received any requests for an election and can therefore now co-opt a new councillor. The clerk will speak to the electoral office to receive guidance and the correct adverts for the notice boards.

Minute 23.2024**January Accounts**

The accounts were read out by the chair and agreed by all

Community Account balance: £3,499.34

Savings Account: £534.28

Date	Money In	Money Out	Balance	Reference
01/01/2024			£4,199.84	
04/01/2024	£54.00			Repayment of Cllr Salary (Ref: <u>Minute 19.2024</u>)
16/01/2024		£200		Wales Audit. Ref: <u>Minute 258.2023</u>
17/01/2024		£303.30		Clerk Salary. Ref: <u>Minute 9.2024</u>
17/01/2024		£64.00		New Councillor Allowance. Ref: <u>Minute 11.2024</u>
19/01/2024		£187.20		HMRC PAYE. Ref: <u>Minute 9.2024</u>
			£3,499.34	

Minute 24.2024**Payment of clerk's salary for February**

It was agreed by all that the council will pay the clerks salary for February, the usual £303.30.

Minute 25.2024**HMRC – Missed Payment**

Ref: 9.2024

There was a missed payment during the last quarter for a sum of £75.60. It was agreed by council to send a cheque on the 6th of February to settle this before the deadline, however the cheque has not been received. The clerk has rang HMRC and HMRC have explained that cheques can take up to 2 weeks to process and advised the clerk to ring back on the 26th if it had not been processed. However the late payment is due on the 22nd of February. The council agreed to wait and see if the cheque arrives and send another next month if not.

Minute 26.2024**Precept accepted****Ref:10.2024**

The Clerk has sent off the request for a precept of £8,500. This has been accepted.

Minute 27.2024**Bill for Erwood Market Hall**

A bill of £120 has been received for the use of Erwood Market Hall to hold council meetings over the last year. It was agreed by all to pay this.

Minute 28.2024**Future Spending Purposes for Dormant Assets****Ref: 15.2024**

Cllr Caroline Baldwin suggested we request the prioritisation of community action and furthermore that we propose that a community shop be funded in Erwood. The clerk will email this OVW with further details before the deadline of the 28th of February.

Minute 29.2024**Powys County Council Review of Polling Stations**

The council had no comments.

HIGHWAYS**Minute 30.2024****Lighting**

Cllr Alan Pryce has highlighted to highways that there is a light on the junction at the top of the Erwood Estate that is not working. The code on the light is ER21. The clerk will report this to Powys County Council.

Minute 31.2024**Crickadarn Style**

Crickadarn style has been fixed.

Items for next meeting: Charity Payments

Meeting closed at 19:54

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