

Minutes of a Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on 27th September 2011 at 7.30pm.

Present: Mrs Margaret Price (Chair), Mr David Filsell, Mrs Elizabeth Gibbs, Mr Chris Jenkins, Mr David Mantle, Mr George Moretta and Mr David Williams.

1. **Apologies for absence:** Cllr Rosemarie Harris, Mr Brian Griffiths and Mr Paul Lindeowood.
2. **Declaration of interest in items of business listed below:** none.
3. **The Minutes of the meeting held on 26th July 11:** were approved and signed by the Chair (p.p. GM, sec. DW)
4. **Clerks Report:** The next Five Councils meeting is being held in Llangattock on Wednesday 23rd November at 7.30pm. Llangattock have a litter pick on 1st October. A Canal and Queens Jubilee Celebration meeting was held last night. It was agreed that a public meeting be held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 12th October to gauge interest. Elin Davies from Powys County Council wants to come to a meeting to talk about the recycling. Suggested that she come to the Five Councils meeting or the public meeting on 12th October.
5. **Correspondence:**
 - i. Copy of letter sent to Cllr Rosemarie Harris re: new kerbside recycling scheme as reported in Red Kite magazine- *circulation*.
 - ii. Correspondence from Parish Council concerning Church path - for information and 200th Canal Celebrations and Diamond Jubilee - *circulation*.
 - iii. Powys County Council - invitation for two Community Councillors to attend social occasion on Tuesday 4th October at 7.30pm - *MP and EG to attend*.
 - iv. Powys Local Service Board - One Powys Plan Public Consultation - *Clerk to forward to DF*
 - v. Mid Wales Housing Annual Report - *circulation*.
 - vi. One Voice Wales Autumn Training Programme - *noted*.
 - vii. Powys County Council Unitary Development Plan 2001-2016 - *circulation*.
 - viii. Brecon Beacons National Park Management Plan in Brief and Priority Actions - *circulation*.
 - ix. NSPCC request for donation - *noted*.
 - x. For information - copy of correspondence between resident and Powys Highways over concerns about traffic across bridge - *circulation*.

Action

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6. Finance

- a. **Statement of Accounts:** An update on the budget was circulated. The cheques approved in the July minutes have been issued. The bank statement has been reconciled to the cash book and MP has verified the bank reconciliations. The balance in the cash book at the end of August was £19,531.75. The Precept was paid into the bank account on 31st August £2110.
- b. **Schedule of bills paid between 27th July 11 and 26th September 11 (Financial Reg. 6.4)**
 MB Property Maintenance – clearing of trees chq no 1452 £190.00
- c. **Approved:** Payment of the following cheques:
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| Clerks salary for months of August and September | £467.86 |
| Cleaning of car park for August | £32.00 |
| HMRC PAYE | £175.40 |

7. Report from County Councillor: deferred.

8. **Highways:** Clerk to write thanking Jeff Evans for cutting the hedges. A report was given on the traffic problems surrounding the Green Man Festival. It was suggested that the police be invited to a future meeting to discuss events like this in the future.

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9. **Rent of Persondy Field:** the grazing agreement is due for renewal on 11th November 2011. Clerk to put up notices.

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10. Village Maintenance :

- a. Working party to tidy around War Memorial – Clerk will do this.
- b. Tree on Castle Road with rotten branches – RH is dealing with this.

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11. **Queen and Canal Celebrations 2012** – A meeting was held on Monday evening, in the Village Hall. The Clerk to organise a public meeting for the whole village for 12th October at 7.30pm, to gauge interest. Clerk to invite Alison Crawshaw, the Canal 200th event co-ordinator, make flyers and arrange for delivery around Village. Also needs to ask Helen Philips if she will send out via 'Contact' email.

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12. Report from Rights of Way Committee: a lot of footpaths and bridle ways have been cleared by the National Park Wardens, including the path along the river, the path through the church yard and the path down from the filter house at short notice. Clerk to send thanks.

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13. Reports from other meetings attended: DW attended a village hall meeting. The village hall is buying new chairs. MP and GM gave a report on the Five Councils Meeting. DM to pass on thanks to Agricultural Show Committee for a very successful show of a very high standard. EG reported on a Walls of Llangynidr meeting. The next wall to be restored is above the Bucks Farm and into the forest. Another Young Farmers course is being planned. CJ reported that the Primary School received an excellent school inspection.

14. Items from Councillors for next Agenda: bus shelter, rent of Persondy Field.

15. Date of next meeting: 25th October 2011.

Nicky Williams
Clerk