

#### CYNGOR CYMUNED LLANGYNIDR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

# Minutes of a Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2017 at 7.30pm.

**Present**: Mrs Margaret Price (Chair), Mr George Moretta, Mrs Elizabeth Gibbs, Mr David Filsell, Mr David Mantle, Mr Paul Lindoewood, Cllr Rosemarie Harris, Mr David Evans & Mr David Williams.

In attendance: S.Dale (Clerk).

- 1. **Apologies for absence:** Mr Paul Lindoewood & Mr Brian Griffiths.
- 2. Declaration of interest in items of business listed below: None

## 3. Signing of:

The minutes of the meeting held on the 31st January 2017. Proposed by DW and seconded by DF. The minutes were approved and signed by the Chair.

## 4. Correspondence:

- a. Young men to arms: The First World War in the Crickhowell District, a book from Geoff Williams from the Crickhowell Archive Centre. *Circulation*
- b. Brecon Advice Centre Thank you for the donation. *Circulation*
- c. Wales Air Ambulance Thank you for the donation. Circulation
- d. The Friends of Llangynidr School Thank you for the donation. *Circulation*
- e. Brecon Mountain Rescue Team Thank you for the donation. Circulation
- f. Brecon Beacons National Park Authority: Llangynidr canal, a potential conservation area under consideration in 2018. Circulation. Limitation on planning in conservation areas, see the excellent report in "Contact". The canal needs protecting. Clerk to check if there are any notable limitations on businesses inside conservation areas.

g. Powys County Council – order for a 20mph speed limit in Clos Castell. *Circulation* 

- h. The owner of the field that borders on the car park has responded to the community council's alert that the ponies are damaging the newly laid hedge. *Circulation*
- i. Welsh Tree Charter Survey Preview a survey. Circulation
- j. The Ombudsman's Casebook Issue 27. Circulation

## 5. ClerksReport

Late Correspondence – for information only:

Powys County Council – Playground inspection arrangements Independent Remuneration Panel – Annual Report extract Teenage Cancer Trust appeal

Llangynidr Agricultural Show Society a thank you for the donation.

Actions from January have been completed.

The Clerk attended a webinar from the Welsh Audit Office Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February. It looked at sharing best practice, internal audit and

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5 councils meets Wednesday evening in the Parish Hall Crickhowell at 7.30pm.

Clerk is attending a briefing on the elections Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March in Llandrindod Wells.

#### 6. Finance:

a.	Statement of	Accounts for	January	y 2017. Approved
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b. Cheques approved for payment in January	2016.					
Cleaning the Car Park (Jan)	£37.50					
Clerk's wages & Stationery Allowance (Jan)	£308.97					
Cleaning Public Conveniences (Jan)	£114.50					
Llangynidr Primary School photocopier support	$£150.00^{1}$					
Friends of Llangynidr School	£100.00					
Brecon Advice Čentre						
Chairperson's Allowance	£150.00					
Brecon Mountain Rescue						
Wales Air Ambulance						
Llangynidr Agricultural Show Society	£100.00					
Klook internet service providers domain	£8.39					
Klook internet service provider – shared hosting	£60.00					
Wales Audit Office – external audit	£209.25					
c. Cheques to be approved for payment in February						
2017.Cleaning the Car Park (Feb)	£37.50					
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Cleaning Public Conveniences (Feb)	£114.50					
One Voice Wales membership	£136.00					
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# 7. Report from the County Councillor

Although numbers in secondary schools are going down in Powys, this is not true of Crickhowell High School where numbers are rising. Streetlights are all to be converted to LED. There have been complaints that the light from LED bulbs is too bright. Council tax will go up 3.9%, this is a cut of £65 million in the budget.

The 'pavement' on Forge Road that needs attention will be considered by the Highways Department of Powys County Council. Budget – in England there is hardly any government funding for principal councils, they are run on a much more commercial basis. For example one bought a Hotel in Scotland. Others may build houses for sale.

Schools - the plan for Crickhowell is still some way off. New schools are built by district.Brecon High School is in a bad state and has only about 450 pupils, less than Gwernyfed High School.

<sup>1</sup> Photocopier support included in error and not authorised.



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8. One Voice Wales membership is due for renewal. To be SD discussed and action agreed. Resolved. 9. Teenage Cancer Trust request for financial assistance. Declined. 10. Survey about Community Councils and the services they have taken on and intend to take on, draft response to circulate. SD Circulate in correspondence. 11. The School requires some new food waste bins and has asked the community council for financial assistance. Item adjourned to next time. 12. Small capital highways projects could be considered by Powys County Council's Highways Department. To be discussed and action agreed. Forge Road is one item, giant puddles between Pwll Court and Castle Road, puddles on Cyffredin Lane, pavement from Coach and Horses pub to Forge Road (the road may be too narrow), by the bridge (Bwlch side) large puddles form. 13. The best course of action to take on the steps on Forge Road needs to be considered and recommended to Powvs County Council. A meeting with Highways is to be arranged. RH 14. Welsh government's white paper- Reforming Local Government: resilient and renewed. Adjourned to next month. 15. Thank you to Mr Tom Hardy and Mr Brian Griffiths for attending the public conveniences when there was a water leak. 16.5 Councils' Liaison committee is meeting next week (1st March 2017) are there any agenda items to go forward? No 17. The payroll service from Powys Council has responded with a price £305.77 plus vat. It was considered to be too large a sum to be SD sustainable, Clerk to look at buying specialist pensions advice. 18. Any agenda items for the next meeting from Councillors. There has been a proliferation of commercial signage in the village, to be discussed and action agreed. 19. Date of next meeting: 28th March 2017.

Sue Dale (Clerk)

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8 March 2017

