

A meeting of the Community Council took place on Thursday 3rd August 2017 at 7.30pm in Groesffordd Village Hall.

Present:

Mr Thomas Jones **TJ**

Mr Bill Burrows **BB**

Ms Heather Hornung **HH**

Mr Ray Powell **RP**

In attendance: Ms Sue Dale (Clerk) **SD**

1. **Apologies** Mr Tony Hamnett **TH**, Mr Charles De Winton **CdeW** Mr Ian Matthews **IM**. The Chair of the meeting was BB, he was elected by those present.

2. **Declaration of Interest.** None

3. **Public Participation** None

4. **Minutes of the last meeting.** Approved with one correction, remove reference to Nant Ddu on page 1.

5. **Matters Arising** None

6. **Llanfrynach & Cantref Community Hall** No report

7. **Ty Bach** No report

8. **Groesffordd Hall Management** Running smoothly, retained current customers and gaining new ones.

Current Account £6572.95

Savings Account £9025.60

9. **Flood Risk Management** No reason not to approve! Clerk to send approval to agent. **SD**

10. **Traffic Safety** A40 – the proposed new Llanhamlach 50 mph limit, the positioning of the signs was objected to by residents as they did not cover the main hazards in the village. The Community Council is to send a thank you letter to Kirsty Williams for her support of the residents. **SD**

A470 – Nant Ddu, no update.

C96 – the road from Groesffordd to Llangorse. Residents complain about vehicle speed. There have been 48 recorded accidents in the last 10 years, this figure does not reflect where cars have gone off the road but been rescued with no involvement by the police. This section of the road is also part of the 3 rivers horse ride, it is very dangerous, there are no verges.

Residents would like to see a 40mph limit but Powys County Council would need to have proof that 85% of traffic exceed the 60mph speed limit. They have agreed to put down speed detector strips in the next 3 months and monitor as a result of a meeting between the Highways Portfolio Holder and County Councillor and a Community Councillor. The Police are reported as saying that the road is no worse than many others in the County.

11. Review and adoption of the Code of Conduct and information retention policy, adjourned until the September meeting.

12. Planning Application Cantref House 17/15095/FUL, a shower block. TJ to talk to the neighbour.

13. There are great difficulties for local people in procuring a home. The Community Council has been asked to produce a letter of support for a resident in just such a situation.

The applicant needs to apply for the change of use permission, the Community Council will then be consulted and can make comments at that stage. TJ to respond.

14. A resident has asked that the Community Council write to the Head of Planning Development at Brecon Beacons National Park Authority (BBNPA) to request that Cefn Cantref be regularly monitored by BBNPA as previously agreed.

The resident is entitled to send a letter to the planning authorities detailing their concerns. Clerk to provide a copy of the decision notice SD. HH to speak to the resident.

15. Update on the consideration of a conservation area for Llanfrynach, September dates are available for the consultation. CdeW, IM and RP to offer convenient dates.

16. Review of Standing Orders, adjourned to September meeting.

17. Amendments to the grievance procedure in the light of the Llanbrynean Report, adjourned to September meeting.

18. Follow-up to the Ombudsman's decision about the complaint brought by the CC. Clerk to ask the Ombudsman if the action referred to in his letter has been taken. SD

19. Newsletter preparations. BB to provide article about Lechfaen Well refurbishment. Proposed changes to the delivery of the newsletter need to be debated by the whole CC.

20. Powys County Council's recycling did not take place this week, the lorry broke down, but they did complete the round. Recycling centres are now open 5 days a week.

21. Cheques signing and finance statement

Clerk's Pay (standing order July) £364.80

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Financial statement attached – Addendum 1

22. Powys County Council Matters – It is important to send the County Councillor an invitation to the meetings **SD**

23. Correspondence - noted

Email One Voice Wales Bulletin July 2017

One Voice Wales Conference and AGM Saturday 30th September 2017

Natural Resources Wales July 2017

Appeal for Councillors to help decide the future of Community Councils

24. Any Other Business (to be used to pass on information only)

A new high school is being built in Brecon.

Parking at Brecon hospital is to be improved.

Cantref broadband - a resident is trying an individual home installation for £200. If successful this will be of interest to other residents who are also waiting for broadband.

In Groesffordd there has been fibre available for 18 months but broadband installations are only just starting.

There being no further business the chairman closed the meeting.

Date of Next Meeting: 14th September 2017 at 7.30 pm in Llanfrynach and Cantref Community Hall.