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A meeting of the Community Council took place on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2014 at 7.30pm in Groesfforrd Hall.

## **Present**

Ms Ruth Brown RB (Chairman)  
Mrs Norma Higginson NH  
Mr Charles De Winton CD  
Mr Bill Burrows BB  
Mrs Bronwyn Fox (Clerk) BF

Mrs Sue Brook SB  
Mr Steve Williams SW  
Mr Mervyn Bramley MB  
Cllr Liam Fitzpatrick LF

## **1. Welcome**

Ms Ruth Brown (Chair) welcomed the councillors.

## **2. Apologies**

Apologies were received from Mrs Michelle Davies.

## **3. Minutes from previous meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> December 2013**

The minutes were agreed then signed & dated by the Chair

## **4. Addition of new Item**

BF asked the chairman if she could add a special item 'One Powys Plan/Powys CC Budget. Chairman agreed and item was added to the agenda.

## **5. Matters Arising**

MB advised he will report dissatisfaction of amendments to Standing Orders at OVW meeting to be held 17<sup>th</sup> January 2014.

## **6. Declarations of Interest**

None.

## **7. Update on Playground Report**

It was agreed that the letter to ROSPA arranging for a councillor(s) to meet with the ROSPA inspector at his next inspection would be sent when Powys CC sent out a payment request for the next inspection. It was agreed to check with insurers to clarify requirements of inspection for insurance purposes.

RB confirmed 6 fruit trees successfully planted.

CD confirmed that he would do weekly inspections when he cut the lawn (Between Easter to Mid Sept). RB and SW to alternate inspections to cover the rest of the year.

## **8. Website Update**

Community 2.0 have supplied details for various free courses. Dates of courses not yet confirmed, Councillors to register their interest online.

It was agreed to set up Google analytics to monitor visits to the Community Council Website. (BF)

## **9. Flooding/Flood Risk**

With regards to the Menasgin in Llanfrynach, MB had not yet been able to speak to Phil Morgan of NRW about estimates of the frequency of bank overtopping, but would do so when NRW's current flood emergencies had quietened down. The Menasgin had not risen significantly out of bank upstream of Llanfrynach during recent storms which seemed to be an encouraging result of the shoal removal in 2010.

With regard to Llanhamlach, MB reported that there had been significant surface water flooding on the A40 on 23 and 30 December. Powys CC had attended to this and cleared blockages to the drains. As this was the third time that traffic had been disrupted by flooding in Llanhamlach in the past 2 years, he felt that the Community Council must press for drainage improvements. LF offered to convene a meeting with Powys CC and the Trunk Roads Agency to discuss the issues on site. These discussions might also include the road safety issues and suggested footpath. MB would also raise this when he met Powys CC on 10 January regarding the C96 (below)

MB reported there had also been significant surface water on the C96 road from Groesffordd to Llangorse on 30 December. This had also flooded the outbuildings at Ael y Bryn; Bryan James had called Powys CC out to clear blockages to a watercourse upslope. Bryan James and MB would be meeting Brent Campbell of Powys CC on site on 10 January to discuss the highway drainage issues. LF was unable to attend due to a Full Council meeting.

Cantref – water is pouring down from Cefn Cantref Road and flooding the bottom of the lane at Pencaefadog. LF offered to contact Brent Campbell of Powys CC to request that culverts/drains along Cefn Cantref Road are cleared.

## **10. Community Council Consultation Action Plan**

TH has put together a detailed action plan trying to resolve issues raised on the Community Council Consultation Questionnaires. Details of the action plan and how we are trying to resolve the issues raised is to be included in the next newsletter and on the website.

## **11. Speeding in the villages**

MB is meeting with PCC Highways on 10<sup>th</sup> January to discuss speeding on the A40 and through the villages.

## **12. Public Convenience Provisions in Powys**

Nothing new to report at this time.

## **13. Groesffordd Hall Management Update**

The hall is doing very well with bookings exceeding expectation.

TH found an old trust deed and has prepared trust documents to bring up to date.

BF to look for the original Trust deed.

## **14. Llanfrynach & Cantref Community Hall**

The hall is in profit, bookings are consistent.

The newly constituted 'hall and facilities' may have to consider their position if the Ty Bach becomes rateable and Council Tax is charged.

## **15. Ty Bach Update**

Ty Bach is doing well.

Police advised no-one found with regard to the vandalism and the case has been closed.

## **16. Planning Applications & Responses**

13/10305/FUL – Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of replacement dwelling, Cefn Cantref – New application.

## **17. Financial Statement/ Cheque Signing**

Current available funds in the bank £4,911.81

Cheques signed:

624 – Clerks wages

625 – HMRC - PAYE

626 – Expenses

## **18. Correspondence**

OVW	Invitation to Chair – Buckingham Garden Party
Lloyds Bank	Statement No.51
SLCC	Receipt
Brecon & Radnor Area Committee	Agenda
Brecon Beacons	Action for Tourism Magazine
Powys CC	One Plan Consultation
Powys CC	Village Hall Revenue Grant Scheme
Lloyds Bank	Confirmation of Mandate Change

## **19. One Powys Plan/ Powys CC Budget**

It was discussed and agreed that SB, RB, TH and NH would attend the Budget workshop in Brecon on 15<sup>th</sup> January.

It was agreed that councillors would look at the proposals put forward by Powys CC relating to budget cuts and call a separate meeting if required after attending the workshop.

It was agreed the Community Council should not take anything on from Powys CC without doing Due Diligence.

LF agreed to keep councillors informed of cabinet changes in Powys CC.

LF recommended a joint meeting of all local councils after Powys CC have set the budget in February.

## **21. AOB**

Chairman thanked LF for his attendance and support.

There being no further business the chairman closed the meeting at 9.56pm.

Next General Meeting: Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2014 at 7.30pm in Llanfrynach & Cantref Community Hall.