

CYNGOR TREF LLANWRTYD WELLS TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES

Minutes of the Hybrid Council Meeting on Wednesday 19th April 2023 at 7.00pm Held in the Institute

Attending: Cllrs Davies (Chair), S Jones, T Van Rees, M. Pigott, C. Rickard, G. Watkins, N. Price and County & Town Councilor P. James M.B.E. Cheryl Hood (Town Clerk).

- 142. Apologies: Cllrs A.Jones, L. Pace-Avery and R. Chattaway
 Talk by Jennifer Grubb River Quality Liaison Manger, South East Herefordshire/Dwr Cymru Welsh
 Water. Questions posed by Town Council.
- 143. Declaration of Interest None declared. One outstanding Declaration of Interest Form.
- **144.** Minutes of March Meeting and matters arising: Proposed as a true reflection of the meeting Proposed by Cllr Van-Rees and Seconded Cllr Rickard.
- 145. Finance:

145.1: Acceptance of March Accounts. Proposed by Cllr S. Jones and seconded by Cllr Van -Rees. Action: Outstanding - Clerk to present findings of interest rates.

145.2: Cheques for Authorisation this month. Re-issue for LWFC, Grapevine, Electrics and Ken Ratcliffe.

Action: Clerk to raise cheques.

146. Councillor Update

 Dolwen Fields: Cllr Pigott reported that there would be a fun Sports Day including 5K fun run and unveiling of the bear on the 29th May. There was a lot of work to do beforehand, Completion of the resurfacing of the Coronation drive and a Boules Court.

Cllr Davies also added that a litter pick was being carried out by Jason Lambie-Baker to go towards his Duke of Edinburgh Award.

- **SMART Towns WiFi:** Third hub still not up and running. Decision taken to have third hub removed. Cllr Pigott to speak to alternative venue.
- Action: Cllr Pigott to liaise with third hub venue. Training cannot commence without data.
- Library Review: Cllr Pace-Avery to update next month. Invoice has not been received yet.
- Broadway Broadband; Cllr Davies reported that all was on track with a community meeting planned for June. Broadband will also have a stand at this year's Royal Welsh Show. Also liaising with Playpark Project about funding. Cllr Pigott asked whether Mannor Homes on Station Road had been in touch as they had promised to help with supplying wood for playpark.
 Action: Clerk to write to Mannor Homes.
- Regeneration Meeting: No further news following the drop-in. Clerk contacted Owen Davies for update. Final Draft with Powys.

Action: Clerk to arrange meeting with Owen Davies.

• **Twinning:** No response to letter sent to Meriel. No mention of Twinning with Llanwrtyd Wells on their website.

Action: Cllr Davies to feed back to Twinning Committee at next meeting.

- 147. Update on Powys Matters County and Town Clir Peter James
 - **Dropped Kerbs :** New dropped kerbs being placed outside the Surgery and Station Road.
 - High build-up of leaves on Tai Cae Mawr : Powys had shot through the drains to clear the blockages
 - **Overflowing bins :** on Station and Dol-Y-Coed Road. Powys informed.
 - **V.A.Signs:** Noted as 12th April. Noted that Builth and Llandrindod Wells have permanent V.A. Signs.
 - Shelter at St Davids Church carpark : Cllr James had spoken to Powys with reference to the cost of the shelter. Shelter costs are not in the budget for this year. Cllr James to report back to Powys. Also need to clarify who is responsible for upkeep. Replacement to be held off until next year budget. Proposed by Cllr Van-Rees and seconded by Cllr S. Jones.

• **Meeting** with Matthew Parry outside Victoria Hall took place, waiting on feedback. E-Chargers may be located on the carpark at the back of Victoria Hall or the rear of the Neuadd Arms.

148. Planning Applications:

- No New Applications or Decisions have been received.
- 149. Pylons Irfon Valley: There is to be a meeting arranged by Cllr Jeremy Pugh for all Town, Community and County Councillors on the 20th April at Strand Hall, Builth Wells. Bute Energy will be attending and questions have been sent to them. Following this it is hoped to arrange a Community Meeting in conjunction with Llangammarch Wells to disseminate the information we have been given. Action: Clerk to liaise with Llangammarch Community Council on a meeting date. Cllr S. Jones also arranging with Simon Fraser to attend.
- **150.** Victoria Hall update: Cllr Davies gave an update.
- **151.** DAS: Claim now lodged with DAS regarding Property Protection.Action: Clerk to update at next meeting.
- **152. Tillhill Forestry** Meeting to be arranged. Still waiting on confirmation of Mr Griffiths. **Action:** Clerk to chase up.
- 153. King Charles Coronation Cllr Davies reported how disappointed he was that there were only three people at the last meeting. Another one has been called for the 28th April at 7pm in the Institute. If there is no further support for the Coronation, then the event will be called off. Action: Clerk to advertise the meeting on Facebook page and put up posters.
- **154.** Section 6 The Biodiversity and Resilience of Ecosystems Duty. Clerk presented the draft document. More input needed for future. To be brought back for next month. Adopted 19.04.2023
- Powys Shared Prosperity Fund : Steering Group volunteers needed to look at funding opportunities. Cllrs Van-Rees, S. Jones, J. Davies, N. Price, C. Rickard, G. Watkins and P. James.
 Action: Clerk to arrange a date for the Steering Group to meet and discuss funding opportunity.
- **157.** Bunting for Eisteddfod: Cllr S. Jones asked if there was enough bunting to put up around The Square for when the Eisteddfod was on in Llandovery. There was enough and those that had some were asked to display it.
- **158. PAVO:** Cllr S. Jones reported that PAVO had been advertising for volunteers for those that were feeling isolated or lonely. How can we support this in Llanwrtyd. Opportunities in the Heritage Centre for those that were interested, may be a help.

Action: Clerk to contact PAVO to see how we could help.

- **159.** Correspondence received;
 - **20's Plenty for us.** Clerk confirmed that the 20's Plenty for us will apply to trunk roads through Towns and villages. Webinar available to those that would be interested in learning more. **Action:** Clerk to arrange webinar.
 - **Electric Meters in Pavilion:** Two meters in Pavilion because of electric heaters. Two meters to remain in place until a more economical heating source is found.
 - Fridge in Pavilion: Fridge in Pavilion is no longer fit for purpose. Action: Clerk to source a new undercounter fridge, £200 budget.
 - **Banners on Railings on Square**. No guidelines in place in order to do this. Banners must be firmly fixed and no responsibility can be taken by the Town Council for banners that are placed here.
- 160. Any other business for inclusion on May agenda.

Ty Gwyn; turning into property.

Councillors are reminded if they have anything to go onto the Agenda for next month, it must be in by Thursday 11th May 2023.

Date of next meeting - 17/05/2023 AGM followed by Town Council Meeting

Meeting closed at 21:47Minutes Amended: NoVerified at meeting on the 19/04/2023Signed off by Chair :

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