

# OLD RADNOR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of Old Radnor Community Council held Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> November, 2019 in Kinnerton Village Hall at 8.00 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Councillors T. Bell (Chairman), R. Jones, E. Jones, M. Jones, Mrs. R. Jones, J. Griffiths, R. Burden and K. Morgan.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mrs T. Price, Clerk.

## **MIN 57/19 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllrs. H. Jones, (Vice-Chairman); J Stokes, K. Powell.

## **MIN 58/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

*Personal Only: None.*

*Personal and Prejudicial: None.*

## **MIN 59/19 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 15<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2019**

Resolved that the Minutes (as previously circulated) represented a true record of events. The Chairman then duly signed the Minutes.

## **MIN 60/19 UPDATE ON OUTSTANDING MATTERS**

- (1) First Aid Training: Cllr. Griffiths reported that four members of staff from the Harp Inn were interested in attending future training. She agreed to get contact information so a waiting list could be started.
- (2) Appointment of Internal Auditor: The Clerk confirmed that Mr. Lloyd had accepted the appointment as internal auditor for the 2019-20 accounts.

## **MIN 61/19 FINANCE**

- (1) Payments: No payments this month.
- (2) Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales, Draft Report 2020-21: Members noted the draft report which had been circulated to those on email. Resolved no comment be made.
- (3) Request for Donation by Powys Dyslexia Support Group: In accordance with the general policy on donation Members decided not to donate to the Group.
- (4) Letter of thanks from Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal: Noted.

## **MIN 62/19 CORRESPONDENCE/GENERAL ITEMS**

- (1) Footpaths Update: Cllr. Bell circulated a written report on the current position regarding improvements to the rights of way network in the Old Radnor area. Of the £10,000 provided as a condition of the Quarry planning permission £4000 had so far been spent, the majority on materials. Some Members felt that there was no haste to spend the remaining monies and pointed out that wooden posts had a limited life and could well need doing again before the ten year period for spending was up. All were asked to consider works that needed doing and to let Cllr. Bell know. Cllr. Bell asked that his thanks to County Officer Jill Exton for all her help with the works be noted.
- (2) Quarry Liaison Meeting Report: Cllr. M. Jones reported that the main matters discussed were
  - Quarry proceeding with work on the extension to the site.
  - Previously diverted footpath reinstated.
  - Hedge removal at Yatt Coppice underway.

- Currently very busy.
- New work methods to hopefully reduce amount of blasting needed.
- Amount of lime left is limited.
- Footpath at Gore proceeding.
- Diversion of footpaths underway.
- Two houses at the back of the Gore Quarry vacated due to issues with blasting but the residents had been re-housed and would be able to return when blasting is complete.
- Issues with the telephone line reported by Cllr. Burden being investigated.
- Road surface at Strinds Quarry entrance – discussions taking place with the County Council.
- Yardro highway changes underway including white lining.
- White lining Dolyhir complete.
- Some overhanging branches still to be attended to but Sunnybank complete.

(3) VE Day 2020: Members had received the information from SSAFA regarding events for May 2020 and would consider if they wished to organise anything.

(4) Council Motion Request re national community energy campaign: Noted. No comment to be made.

(5) Police and Crime Commissioner Newsletter (as emailed).

(6) Reply from County Council re. white lining and road surface near Dolyhir Quarry: As outlined above the white lining was complete but the County Council was still in talks with the Quarry on the resurfacing needed.

(7) Big Lottery Funding, Countryside Access Project: Members noted the letter from the County Council but did not wish to be part of the project.

(8) Clerks and Councils Direct Magazine: Noted.

(9) Board of Community Health Councils in Wales Questionnaire: Resolved no comment to be made.

(10) Blocked Road Drains and Ditches: Cllr. Ruth Jones reported that blocked drains had increased the flooding problems from Kinnerton to the Mill and the Clerk was asked to request that these be cleared and to point out that lack of maintenance on this throughout the area was leading to increased damage to the road surfaces and it was false economy to neglect this vital work.

Cllr. M. Jones left the meeting as this point due to his position on the County Council Planning Committee.

### **MIN 63/19 PLANNING**

(1) Planning Application Decisions: No decisions to report this month.

(2) Planning Applications: The following application was considered - 19/1735/FUL Grid Reference: E:321935 N: 257740 Proposal: Conversion of a barn to an open market residential dwelling, to include formation of parking and turning areas, and all associated works Site Address: Pentre Farm, Old Radnor, Presteigne, LD8 2RP: Resolved to comment that there is a need for additional passing places to cope with the additional traffic due to the narrowness of the lane. At present vehicles often have to reverse quite some distance and more passing places would help with this problem.

(3) Welsh Government Planning Consultations – Housing, Compulsory Purchase Powers, Flooding and Coastal Erosions: Resolved no comment to be made.

### **MIN 64/19 DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING**

17<sup>th</sup> December, 2019 at Walton Village Hall.

Prior to the closure of the meeting the Clerk advised of engagement sessions for the Powys Schools Vision to take place before the next meeting and to be on 13<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> December. She would circulate the full information via email.

The meeting closed at 8.33 p.m.