

# OLD RADNOR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of Old Radnor Community Council held Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> March, 2022  
at 8.00 p.m. via video conferencing.

**PRESENT:** Councillors H. Jones (Chairman), K. Powell (Vice Chairman), R. Burden, E. Jones, M. Jones, K. Morgan, Mrs. R. Jones, J. Stokes (part), A. Yates.

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

## **MIN 85/21 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

None.

## **MIN 86/21 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

*Personal only: None.*

*Personal and Prejudicial: None.*

## **MIN 87/21 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 15<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2022**

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

## **MIN 88/21 INFORMATION FROM MINUTES**

(1) White Lining/Signage, Old Weighbridge: The Clerk reported that the County Council had agreed to mark the road with 'Slow' and also to install some 'Heavy Plant Crossing' signs. Cllr. Morgan asked if the white lining would be re-done and the Clerk wasn't sure but agreed to chase.

## **MIN 89/21 FINANCE**

(1) Payments: The following payments were approved –

Mrs T.A. Price (salary final quarter)	£691.20
HM Revenue & Customs	£172.80
Mrs T.A. Price (expenses)	£43.05
HSBC (bank charges)	£7.40

(2) Review of Risk Assessment: Members noted the change of format for this year and agreed the document with no changes.

(3) Review of Asset Register: Agreed with no changes.

(4) External Audit Return 2020-21: Members had all received a full copy of the annual return and were pleased that the Council had received a clear audit with no issues or concerns raised.

(5) Budget Update and review of Year End Balances: Members noted the updates provided and that two items remained unpaid – the external audit fee and the arrears due to the Clerk following the pay award.

(6) Donation request from Llangollen International Musical Eisteddfod: Request refused.

(7) Final report of the Independent Remuneration Panel and Remuneration for Members in 2022-23: Members noted the final report and that the payment of the £150 was to continue to be compulsory. Remuneration for 2022-23 was agreed as remaining the same being –

- £150 annual allowance to each Member (mandatory).
- Refund of Care Costs (mandatory).
- Travel Costs for meetings outside the Council area.

(8) National Salary Pay Award for 2021-22: Noted as 1.75 %. Arrears would be paid in April.

## **MIN 90/21 CORRESPONDENCE**

(1) Broadband Project: The Clerk reported that unfortunately Broadway Partners had not managed to get the letters out before the start of purdah and so this would mean they could now not go out until after the May elections. The banners had arrived and the Clerk would deliver these to those Members that had agreed to find an appropriate location for one.

Cllr. J. Stokes joined the meeting at this point.

(2) Kinnerton Pond Report of Powys Wildlife Officer: Cllr. Yates reported that work was ongoing with the Radnorshire Wildlife Trust to increase pollinators and insects at the pond. This was part of a larger project the Trust was undertaking. She agreed to supply the email of the officer in case anyone else was interested in finding out.

(3) Welsh Water Draft Water Resources Management Plan 2024 Consultation: Resolved no comment be made.

(4) Letter from James Evans MS: Noted.

(5) Speeding on A44: The Clerk explained that New Radnor Community Council was currently pressing for average speed cameras to be installed between Walton and Penybont to address the issue of some users travelling at excessively high speed on the A44, particularly at weekends. It was agreed that the Clerk write a letter of support from the Council.

(6) New Radnor Area Dark Skies Project: The Clerk explained the Project Group set up by New Radnor Community Council to investigate the possibility of achieving dark sky status for various villages around the Radnor Forest. Members agreed that in principle they were interested in becoming involved. Cllr. Burden agreed to attend a meeting and to report back to the Council.

(7) Platinum Jubilee Souvenirs to children in the Community Council area: Cllr. R. Jones suggested that the Quarry management could be approached to see if they would be willing to sponsor the provision of Jubilee mugs to be handed out to 0-11 year olds in the Community Council area. She estimated the cost to be around £10 per mug. The Community Council would then arrange for the mugs to be handed out at community events. The Clerk would submit a request to the quarry for a donation saying that the cost would be under £800 and if successful would liaise with Cllr. R. Jones to place an order for the mugs.

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

## **MIN 91/21 PLANNING**

(1) Planning Decisions: The following decisions were noted –

21/1831/REM Meadow View, Evenjobb: Conditional Consent 31<sup>st</sup> January.

21/2221/REM Lower Thorne, Evenjobb: Approval 24<sup>th</sup> February.

(2) Planning Applications: The following applications were considered –

22/0318/LBC Grid Reference: E:327902 N: 261494 Proposal: Conversion of barns 3 and 4 to provide residential space ancillary to Burfa House together with external and internal works and alterations including seeking to rectify unauthorised work undertaken by the site's previous owner Site Address: Barns 1-4 At Burfa House, Evenjobb, Presteigne, LD8 2SH. Resolved to support the application.

22/0317/FUL Grid Reference: E:327902 N: 261494 Proposal: Conversion of barns 3 and 4 to provide residential space ancillary to Burfa House together with external and internal works and alterations including seeking to rectify unauthorised work undertaken by the site's previous owner Site Address: Barns 1-4 At Burfa House, Evenjobb, Presteigne, LD8 2SH. Resolved to support the application.

22/0288/REM Grid Reference: E:322275 N: 259730 Proposal: Section 73 application to vary condition 18 from planning permission 21/0915/FUL in relation to the location of the passing bay. Site Address: Land at Yardo, Walton. Resolved no objections to the application.

## **MIN 92/21 DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING**

19th April, 2022. Via Video Conferencing.

The meeting closed at 9.00 p.m.