

OLD RADNOR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Old Radnor Community Council meeting held Tuesday, 14th July, 2015 held in Walton Village Hall at 8.00 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillors E. Jones (Chairman), T. Bell, (Vice-Chairman), Mrs B. Gwatkin, Mrs J. Stokes, Mrs. R. Jones and M. Jones.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs T. Price, Clerk.

MIN 26/15 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies had been received from Cllr. A. Goodwin and Cllr. H. Jones.

MIN 27/15 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations were made.

MIN 28/15 MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD TUESDAY, 16TH JUNE, 2015 AND AGM 19TH MAY 2015

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

MIN 29/15 INFORMATION FROM MINUTES

There were no outstanding matters to report.

MIN 30/15 FINANCE

(1) Payments: Resolved that the following payments be approved –

Evenjobb Village Hall (use for meetings)	£16.00
Kinnerton Village Hall (use for meetings)	£41.48
M.A. Lloyd (internal audit)	£30.00
Mrs A. Jauncey (salary/expenses to 5th July)	£536.09

(2) Receipts - The following receipt was noted

(1st precept payment)	£1666.00
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(3) Internet Banking: Resolved that the Clerk set up internet banking for viewing/internal account transfers only.

(4) Change of Address for Bank Statements: Resolved that the letter notifying HSBC bank of the new Clerk's name and address be signed.

MIN 31/15 PLANNING

(1) Planning Applications -

Note: Cllr. M. Jones took no part in the planning decisions due to his position on the County Council planning committee.

P/2015/0553, full, demolition of existing bungalow and garage. Erection of replacement two storey dwelling, detached garage and log store and alterations to existing access at The Bungalow, Walton. Resolved that the Community Council support the application.

P/2015/0582, full, change of use of meat cutting and egg packing building to annex accommodation to the farmhouse at Penoffa Farm, Evenjobb. Resolved that the Community Council support the application.

P/2015/0492, full, conversion of existing threshing barn into dwelling, including a small garage/stable on site at Upper House Farm, Burlingjobb. Resolved that the Community Council support the application.

TEL/2015/0012, proposed upgrade to base station installation at Forrest Enterprise Wales, Llanrwstold, Radnor. Resolved that the Community Council support the application.

(2) Planning Application Decisions: The following decisions were noted:
Plot adj. to Horseyard House, Evenjobb: Conditional Consent 19th June.
Wind Turbine, Hendregenny, Whitton: Planning Committee 2nd July, deferred.

MIN 32/15 CORRESPONDENCE

(1) Ombudsman's Annual Report 2014/15 for Information: Noted. To be circulated.

(2) Clerks and Councils Direct Magazine for Information: Noted. To be circulated.

(3) One Voice Wales Area Meeting 3rd July, 2015/Minutes 17th April 2015: Noted. Cllr. Bell had been unable to attend the July meeting.

(4) Public Health (Wales) Bill: The Clerk reported that this bill made it a requirement that the County Council have a policy on the provision of public toilet facilities but not that it actually provide the facilities.

(5) Letter of Thanks, Angela Jauncey: The Chairman read the letter to the meeting. Noted.

(6) Posting of Meeting Notices: Resolved that the Clerk send notices/agenda to Members for display on local notice boards. These being -
Kinnerton Village Hall: Cllr. R. Jones
Evenjobb Village Hall: Cllr. B. Gwatkin
Yardro and Old Radnor Notice Boards: Cllr. Bell
Walton Village Hall: Cllr. E. Jones

(7) Planning Training Workshop 4th August: No one was available to attend.

(8) Invitation to Powys County Council Reception at Royal Welsh Show: Resolved that Cllr. E. Jones attend on behalf of the Community Council.

(9) One Voice Wales Emails - Annual Conference, Wales Audit News, Support Your High Street Campaign, Wales Green Energy Awards, Call for Honours Nominations: Noted.

(10) Archiving of Old Minutes (pre 2007): The Clerk reported that Minutes prior to 2007 were to be taken by the former Clerk, Mrs Jauncey to Powys County Archives.

MIN 33/15 CASUAL VACANCIES/CO-OPTION

No formal election had been called for the two vacancies advertised after the June meeting. There were therefore now three vacancies to be filled by co-option. Notices had been placed on the website and had been sent to both parish magazines.

Resolved that the Clerk prepare a press release inviting applications for co-option. Members also to speak to anyone that they felt might be interested.

MIN 34/15 REVIEW OF COUNCIL POLICIES

The Clerk reported that she would be reviewing existing policies and drafting additional policies during the next few months. Policies would then be brought before the Council for approval.

MIN 35/15 DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

The Chairman reported that many Community Councils did not hold a regular meeting in August and suggested that therefore no meeting be held next month unless required for urgent business.

Resolved that no regular meeting be held during August each year. A meeting would be arranged if needed to deal with any urgent business.

Cllr. M. Jones suggested that the September meeting be held at the earlier time of 7.30 pm.

Resolved that the September meeting be held at the earlier time of 7.30 pm.

The next Community Council meeting will be therefore be held on Tuesday, 15th September, 2015 at 7.30 p.m. in Evenjobb Parish Hall. A reserve date of 18th August be made to deal with urgent business if required.

Resolved: Under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings Act) 1960 the Public and Press be excluded from the meeting due to the confidential nature of the following items.

MIN 36/15 STAFFING MATTERS

1) Contract of Employment for Clerk: Members reviewed the model contract of employment and approved as necessary the various sections. The contract would be drawn up by the Clerk and presented to the next Council Meeting for formal approval and signing by the Chairman and the Clerk.

2) Salary Considerations: Resolved that further advice be obtained from One Voice Wales and the Society of Council Clerks prior to any further discussion on the matter.

3) Laptop and Printer: Resolved that due to its age the printer be written off as an asset and that former Clerk, Mrs Jauncey dispose of or retain the printer as she wished.

The meeting closed at 9.25pm.