

OLD RADNOR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Old Radnor Community Council held Tuesday, 17th May, 2016 in Walton Village Hall at 8.00 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillors E. Jones (Chairman), R. Burden, (Vice-Chairman), Mrs A. Goodwin, Mrs B. Gwatkin, H. Jones, Mrs. R. Jones, K. Morgan, R. Jones, J. Stokes.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs T. Price, Clerk.

MIN 1/16 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs. M. Jones, T. Bell.

MIN 2/16 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Personal Only: None

Personal and Prejudicial: None.

MIN 3/16 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN FOR 2016/17

Cllr. E. Jones indicated that he was unwilling to be put forward for the position of Chairman. Members felt that Cllr. Bell might consider becoming Chairman and that it would be better to defer the annual appointment of Chairman until June so that Cllr. Bell could be present. Resolved that the annual election of Chairman be deferred to the June meeting and that Cllr. E. Jones continue in office until that meeting.

MIN 4/16 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN 2016/17

Given the deferment of the election of Chairman it was resolved that the election of Vice-Chairman also be deferred until the June meeting. Resolved that Cllr. Burden be elected Vice-Chair for the May meetings only.

MIN 5/16 APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES 2016/17

One Voice Wales (2): Resolved that Cllr. Bell continue as Council representative. No deputy was appointed.

Quarry Liaison Committee (4): Four Members indicated an interest in attending the meetings as Community Council representatives. These were Cllrs. Burden, E. Jones, H. Jones and Morgan. It was also felt that Cllrs. Bell and M. Jones would wish to attend. Resolved that the Clerk contact the Quarry management to ask if the Council could send six representatives to future liaison meetings. The possibility of Members attending as residents in the area would also be explored.

MIN 6/16 ANNUAL REVIEW OF COUNCIL DOCUMENTS

The following Council documents were agreed unchanged -
Council Standing Orders and Financial Regulations
Formal Complaints Policy
Freedom of Information Documents
Serving of Agenda via email.
All other Council Policies.

All Council policies were reviewed and agreed without change.

MIN 7/16 REVIEW OF HSBC BANK SIGNATORIES

Deferred to the June meeting when the annual appointments of Chair and Vice-Chair would be made.

MIN 8/16 ADOPTION OF AMENDED CODE OF CONDUCT

The revised Code of Conduct as detailed in the Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) (Wales) (Amendment) Order 2016 was adopted.

MIN 9/16 REVIEW OF COUNCILLOR REMUNERATION

Resolved that no change be made and the Council continue to pay travel costs for journeys outside the Council area but that no other payments be made.

MIN10/16 INSPECTION REPORT ON TOPOSCOPE

Cllr. Goodwin reported that Mr. Protheroe had inspected the toposcope and that she was expecting that he would clean and restore it free of charge as had happened on previous occasions. It was possible that the perspex cover would no longer be needed and this would be assessed once the cleaning was done.

The Annual Meeting closed at 8.10pm and was followed immediately by the ordinary meeting.

OLD RADNOR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Old Radnor Community Council held Tuesday, 17th May, 2016 in Walton Village Hall at 8.00 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillors E. Jones (Chairman), R. Burden, (Vice-Chairman), Mrs A. Goodwin, Mrs B. Gwatkin, H. Jones, Mrs. R. Jones, K. Morgan, R. Jones, J. Stokes.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs T. Price, Clerk.

MIN 11/16 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs. M. Jones, T. Bell

MIN 12/16 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Personal Only: None

Personal and Prejudicial:

Cllr. E. Jones re item 13.1, planning application P/2016/0454 (related to applicant)

Cllr. E. Jones re item 13.1, planning application P/2016/0455 (business connection)

Cllr. Ruth Jones re item 13.1 planning application P/2016/0454 (related to applicant)

MIN 13/16 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 19TH APRIL 2016

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

MIN 14/16 INFORMATION FROM MINUTES

There were no updates to report.

MIN 15/16 FINANCE

(1) Payments: to approve the following payments –

M. Lloyd (internal audit) £50.00 (£35 precepted)

Radnor Valley Little Dragons £100 (£100 precepted)

It was agreed that copies of the annual accounts for each Organisation receiving a grant from the Council would be requested. Accounts from Walton Village Hall had already been received.

(2) Renewal of Annual Insurance. Members considered the terms for renewal of the annual insurance policy due on 1st June and the accompanying Clerk's report. It was agreed that a new policy be taken out with Came and Company from the renewal date of 1st June and payment of the appropriate premium was approved. The insurance declaration was completed for the new policy.

Came and Company £164.25

(3) Receipts: The following receipts were noted -

Powys County Council (1st Precept Payment) £2056.30

HM Revenue and Customs (VAT Refund) £97.39

(4) The Bank Balance of £3678.77 at 5th May was noted.

(5) The report of the Internal Auditor was received and circulated. One change to procedures was needed - in future cheque book stubs should be initialled on the front not the back. Resolved to accept the report.

(6) Annual Return 2015/16: Members considered and approved the Annual Return, Annual Governance Statement and Statement of Significant Variances for submission to the External Auditors. The Clerk advised that there were a number of additional documents to be provided for the first time this year and that these needed certifying as true copies by the Chairman as well as herself as Clerk. Members approved the signing of the necessary documentation.

MIN 16/16 PLANNING

(1) Planning Applications: The following planning applications were considered - P/2016/0452, Grid Ref: 326653.29/260569.1 for Temporary Permission (5 Years) for a new classroom building at Womaston House School, Watery Lane, Walton Presteigne, Powys. Resolved no objections be raised.

Cllrs. E. Jones and Mrs R. Jones left the room for the duration of the following item and Cllr. Burden assumed the Chair.

P/2016/ 0454, Grid Ref: 324415.88 263058.04 for Section 73 application to vary condition 2 of permission P/2010/0967 to allow commencement of development to be extended at Land South of Corner House, Kinnerton, Presteigne, Powys. Resolved no objections be raised.

Cllr. E. Jones left the room for the duration of the following item and Cllr. Burden assumed the Chair.

P/2016/0455 Grid Ref: 324385.6/258094.78 for Proposed northern extension to Dolyhir Quarry; construction of screening landform to the north and west of Dolyhir Quarry; related surface water management ponds and drainage infrastructure; construction of new agricultural access to public highway and new perimeter agricultural access track; continued use of existing processing and secondary treatment plant at Dolyhir/Strinds Quarry; relocation of washing plant from Dolyhir Quarry to Strinds Quarry during phase 5 of development scheme; diversion of services; continued development of Strinds Quarry in accordance with current working scheme; implementation of comprehensive restoration strategy; and consolidation of the overall Dolyhir and Strinds Quarry, extension area and screening landform into one overall planning unit. at Dolyhir and Strinds Quarry Dolyhir Old Radnor Presteigne Powys (NB one written objection received, previously circulated). The Clerk reported that she had contacted the Planning Officer and it would be in order for comments to be submitted after the June meeting. Mr. Lawer at the quarry had suggested one evening at 5pm for a site meeting and had agreed to hold a public meeting probably in early June. Resolved that consideration of the application be deferred to the June meeting, that a site meeting be held as soon as possible, that Members would encourage residents to comment on the application and that when the date of the public meeting was known that the Council would produce flyers to publicise the details.

(2) Planning Application Decisions: One application had been determined. This was - Little Acre, Kinnerton: Conditional Consent 22nd April, 2016.

MIN 17/16 CORRESPONDENCE

(1) One Voice Wales Request for Motions for AGM: Noted. No motions were put forward.

(2) Surfacing Work on B4362, Map for Information: Noted.

(3) Older People's Commissioner for Wales Newsletter (as emailed, for information): Noted.

(4) Ombudsman's Casebook - Issue 24 (as emailed, for information): Noted.

(5) Auditor General for Wales Consultation (as emailed): Noted. No comment.

(6) Clerks and Councils Direct Magazine (For information): Noted.

(7) Footpath Review: Meeting: The Clerk reported that Cllr. Bell would be holding a meeting to discuss arrangements on Wed 25th May at 7.00 pm at Bracken Ridge Cottage.

(8) Update re water sampling of Riddings Brook: The Clerk reported that the brook was not routinely sampled but that sampling was carried out further downstream in the main river. No further action was requested.

(9) Open Afternoon, East Radnorshire Day Centre: Member were reminded of the forthcoming open afternoon.

MIN 18/16 DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

21st June 2016 at Evenjobb Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.15 p.m.