

# OLD RADNOR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of Old Radnor Community Council held Tuesday, 21st June, 2016  
in Evenjobb Village Hall at 8.00 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Councillors T. Bell, (Chairman), R. Burden, Mrs A. Goodwin, Mrs B. Gwatkin, E. Jones, M. Jones, R. Jones, J. Stokes.

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

## **MIN 19/16 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllr. Mrs. R. Jones.

Absent: Cllrs. H. Jones, K. Morgan.

## **MIN 20/16 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

*Personal Only: None*

*Personal and Prejudicial:*

*Cllr. M. Jones re. Planning Item 6.1, P/2016/0455 (business connection, rents land from applicant, family connection, relative works for company)*

*Cllr. E. Jones re. Planning Item 6.1, P/2016/0455 (business connection)*

## **MIN 21/16 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN FOR 2016/17**

Cllr. Bell was proposed by Cllr. M. Jones and seconded by Cllr. Burden. There were no other nominations. Cllr. Bell was elected unanimously. Cllr. Bell then completed his declaration of acceptance of office.

## **MIN 22/16 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN 2016/17**

Cllr. E. Jones wished to put forward Cllr. H. Jones and so proposed that this item be deferred to the July meeting. This was agreed unanimously.

## **MIN 23/16 REVIEW OF HSBC BANK SIGNATORIES**

Deferred to the July meeting.

## **MIN 24/16 MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD 17TH MAY 2016**

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

## **MIN 25/16 INFORMATION FROM MINUTES**

Cllr. Goodwin reported that the maintenance of the toposcope had yet to be completed.

## **MIN 26/16 FINANCE**

(1) Payments: to approve the following payments –

Mrs T. Price (salary first quarter)	£581.16
HMRC (tax on above)	£145.20
Mrs T A Price (expenses)	£63.61

(2) 2016-18 National Salary Award: Members received and considered the NJC agreement on salary scales for the next two years and approved the corresponding increase in the Clerk's salary together with arrears for April-June (to be paid in September) They also agreed the award for 2017-18, payable from 1st April, 2017.

(3) Planning Training 19th July Welshpool: Resolved that Cllrs. Bell and Burden attend. Cllr. Bell to be refunded for his payment of the course fee and the following payments agreed -

T. Bell	£25.00 (refund of course fee)
Planning Aid Wales	£25.00 (course fee for R. Burden).

The Clerk also advised that Planning Aid Wales produced a free handbook for Town and Community Councillors and that she had arranged to collect copies for the Community Council at Conference on 22nd June.

### **MIN 27/16 PLANNING**

(1) Planning Applications: The following planning applications were considered -

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

Cllrs. E. Jones and M. Jones left the room for the duration of the following item.

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 advised that she had obtained a further extension for comments to be submitted and that these could now be made after the July meeting. Despite contacting the Quarry Offices several times no date had yet been set for a public meeting. Members agreed to discuss preliminary areas for comment with these to be drafted by Cllr. Bell with the assistance of Cllr. Burden. Areas identified were -

- proximity to Old Radnor Church;
- the overall effect on Old Radnor residents;
- the need to safeguard mature oak trees;
- the need to preserve 'dark skies' and therefore restrictions on night lighting;
- strict control on dust;
- screening generally and in particular to assist with control of the spread of dust through advance planting.

Final comments would be agreed at the July meeting.

P/2015/0247, additional information in respect of wind turbine and associated infrastructure, land between A488 and Craig Hill near Bleddfa: Resolved no comment be made.

(2) Planning Application Decisions: No applications had been determined since the May meeting.

(3) Stones Farmhouse, possible Listed Building Status: The Clerk reported that she had spoken to the Officer at CADW and the assessment was not yet complete.

(4) Letter from Resident re planning application P/2016/0020, Land opposite Court Fold: The Clerk reported that she had spoken to the Planning Officer and amended information was expected with the application being increased to five properties with one being an affordable home. Details of an earlier application in 2000 were available at the County Council offices and the conditions of the permission, together with a layout plan were expected via email the next day. This information would be passed to the resident.

### **MIN 28/16 CORRESPONDENCE**

(1) Public Rights of Way in the Old Radnor Community Council Area Update: Cllr. Bell supplied copies of the footpath audit forms for use. Reviews would be carried out over the coming months. He also informed Members that there was presently no Footpath Officer in post for the Old Radnor area.

(2) Next Meeting of the Quarry Liaison Committee: The next meeting had been due to take place on 28th June but no agenda had yet been issued. Members agreed that the following items be raised at the meeting when held -

- Dust on road Dolyhir Quarry to A44;
- lighting on at night unnecessarily;
- the effectiveness of wheel washing;
- the effect of blasting on Old Radnor Church.

(3) Email from Campaign Group, closure of Gwernyfed/Brecon Secondary Schools: Noted.

(4) Invitation to Evening Reception at Royal Welsh Show from Chairman of PCC: Cllr. R. Jones and spouse to attend.

(5) Invitation to Participate in UK Web Archive: Resolved that the Clerk confirm agreement to inclusion.

(6) Reply from Kirsty Williams AM re Aggregates Levy Fund: Noted.

(7) Meeting with County Council to discuss the future of the Presteigne Works Depot: No one was able to attend.

(8) Grass Cutting, Walton: Cllr. E. Jones asked that the Clerk make enquiries about grass cutting in Walton. It was also reported that only parts of Old Radnor had been cut.

### **MIN 29/16 DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING**

26th July 2016 at Kinnerton Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.10 p.m.