

Minutes of the Vale of Grwyney Community Council Meeting held on Monday 17th June 2013 at 7.40pm in Llangenny School Hall.

It was reported Cllrs Sue and Mike Shaw have submitted a joint letter of resignation. Councillors expressed sadness at this news acknowledging the level of dedication and commitment shown, particularly by Cllr Sue Shaw, whilst in office. It was resolved to write to express the Council's gratitude and appreciation of all the work and time given to serving the community. Cllr Elaine Lusted took the Chair.

Present: Cllrs Elaine Lusted (*Acting Chair*), John Morris, David Sharman, Cllr Caroline Fairclough and Prydderch Rees.
Also in attendance: County Cllr John Morris, Maria James (*Clerk*) and Two Members of the Public.

1. Apologies for Absence: Cllr Ian Mabberley

2. Declarations of interest: To be declared during the meeting.

3. Planning:

3.1 Applications:

- (i) **13/09565/FUL:** Demolition of detached garage. Construction of disabled bedroom and shower room as annexed holiday accommodation - **3 Springfields, Llangenny NP8 1HA** Whilst no objection was expressed it was debated whether a Section 106 agreement should be used to tie the house and annex together as one unit. Following consideration it was proposed by Cllr Morris and seconded by Cllr Fairclough to support the application without recommending use of such an agreement. It was duly **RESOLVED** to submit a response of no objection.
- (ii) **13/09146/FUL Rose Cottage, Glangrwyney** Reconsultation. Members noted the design and size of extension had been amended. However other queries [Page 999 Item 3.1] remained unanswered. It was proposed by Cllr Fairclough, seconded by Cllr Sharman and **RESOLVED** to write to BBNPA to reiterate the Council's original comments.

3.2 Decisions: It was noted Application **13/09169/FUL** demolition of existing garage - replacement with new unit Bronwysg, Llangenny has been **PERMITTED**.

3.2 Other Planning Matters: The following applications went before PAROW on the 11th June 2013 with the recommendation they be approved:

- (i) 12/08223/FUL Ty Ysgubor, Wern Fach, Llanbedr
- (ii) 12/08081/OUT Land adj to 1 Post Office Row, Glangrwyney.

Cllrs Lusted & Sharman declared an interest in this item and left the room. Cllr John Morris took the Chair. Members were referred to correspondence [Page 1010 Item 12] received in relation to this application relating to Cllr Sharman's speech at the PAROW meeting. From a transcript it was noted that whilst Cllr Sharman introduced himself as a long serving Community Councillor for Glangrwyney in discussions following one of BBNPA's Members mistakenly referred to hearing representations from the Community Council. In order to clarify the position it was therefore agreed the Council write to inform BBNPA Cllr Sharman was present as a Councillor for Glangrwyney, not as a representative of the Community Council and refer Members to the Council's letter dated 21st May 2013.

Councillors were of opinion the views expressed by Cllr Sharman accorded with the Council's collective response however should a complaint be pursued advised this should be made direct to the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales.

Members of the Public intervened at this point to state sufficient parking was available. It was suggested and agreed Councillors do a site visit in order to clarify queries relating to parking.

Cllrs Sharman and Lusted returned to the room.

Cty Cllr Morris arrived at the meeting:

4. County Council Report:

- (i) **Traffic Lights at Glangrwyney:** No time scale is available for the works required at present. Kirsty Williams AM has written to Edwina Hart AM. It was suggested the Council should also write to ask when the repair works are due to start.

- (ii) **Llangenny Waste Collection:** Still two lorries and different collection dates. One area is collected by a rural area vehicle and the other by a lorry that does more urban runs in order to make maximum use of each vehicle on a run.
- (iii) **PCC:** High School funding problem should work its way through and hopefully be better next year.
- (iv) **Llanbedr Housing:** The Section 106 has today been agreed and signed. There are concerns Wales & West won't start the build until next year. It was agreed to write to WWA to push for a start date.
- (v) **LDP:** Cwrt y Gollen has been placed back in the LDP, as has the Mid Wales Hospital and at least one site in Crickhowell.

Cty Cllr Morris was asked for assistance in obtaining the highways report due following the 16th April meeting with Mr Brian Price.

8.30pm JGM left the meeting

- 5. **Minutes of the Annual Meeting** [Page 1004] and **Monthly Meeting** held on the 20th May 2013 [1005 – 1008]: It was proposed by Cllr Morris seconded by Cllr Sharman and agreed the minutes be accepted as a true record and duly signed by the Chairman.
- 6. **Matters Arising from the Above Minutes:** Nil.
- 7. **Five Councils Liaison Meeting:** Following discussion Members decided to submit "Web Sites: How to Proceed" as an agenda item for discussion at the next Five Councils Meeting which is due to be hosted by Llangattock CC at 7pm on 10th July in Llangattock Community Centre. The Police Commissioner has been invited, but is not available. Cllr Morris reported he attended the police meeting in Brecon [Page 1010 Item 16 (i)] and was hopeful the Police Commissioner will attend a future meeting.
- 8. **Llanbedr Affordable Housing:** Cty Cllr Morris reported WWA has today agreed the Section 106 Certificate. WWA previously stated they were unable to proceed with details of the allotment agreement until the Section 106 had been resolved. It is therefore hoped they are now in a position to forward a draft agreement. Cllr Morris questioned whether the Llanbedr allotment meeting with Mr Gary Mitchell had been agreed and whilst Cllr Mabberley was not present to confirm Cllr Fairclough reported she understood it had not. As suggested under Item 4 (iv) it was resolved to write to WWA to push for a start date.
- 9. **Local Development Plan:** As reported earlier BBNPA Members voted at the EGM to put Cwrt Y Gollen back in the LDP. This decision will go out for consultation for six weeks. The question of whether to submit a press release or write to the Editor was discussed. It was decided instead of submitting a press release the Council should write a letter to the press to inform the community of the Council's disappointment with this decision and confirming it will continue its fight against CYG's inclusion in the LDP. Cllr Fairclough offered to draft a letter for approval and asked Members to submit comments for inclusion.

It was proposed by Cllr Rees and seconded by Cllr Morris and duly agreed to proceed as outlined.

- 10. **Standing Orders & Financial Regulations:** *Due to time restraints agreed to refer to next meeting.*
- 11. **Public Speaking Session:** *Deferred to next meeting.*
- 12. **Notice boards:** *As Cllr Llewellyn was not present it was agreed to defer discussion until the next meeting.*
- 13. **Any Other Business:** *None reported.*
- 14. **Finance**

14.1 The following items were reported and approved for payment: Clerk's salary £192/Exp £25; HMRC £48; Hire Charges: Llanbedr Village Hall £105, Llangenny School Hall £49 & Glangrwyney Village Hall £140; One Voice Wales £10 Allotment Training.

It was proposed by Cllr Lusted and seconded by Cllr Morris that the above payments be approved.

14.2 Following consideration of funding requests received during the year it was proposed by Cllr Sharman, seconded by Cllr Lusted and agreed that £100 be donated to each of the village halls, the churchyard funds and Wales Air Ambulance. Cllr Morris proposed £50 also be donated to Llanbedr School towards the cost of hockey sticks. This was seconded by Cllr Fairclough and agreed (*Cllr Rees and Lusted declared an interest in this item and took no part in the decision*)

14.3 The Clerk reported the Annual Return had been submitted to the Auditors within the requisite time limit.

- 15. Highways:** As stated previously the Council is still awaiting a report from Highways (Mr Brian Price). Mr Dean Williams has responded regarding the burger van by stating patrols of the area have not witnessed concerns to the safety of road users that would alter the outcome of the risk assessment process.

Grwyne Fawr: road has been patch repaired – barely adequate but ok.

Llangenny: it was questioned when the extra traffic calming works would be undertaken in Glangrwyney ie chevrons/pedestrian island. Clerk to make enquiries.

16. Reports on Meetings Attended:

- (i) Cty Morris attended the Brecon Launch of the Commissioner's Police & Crime Plan on the 14th June, together with representatives from Crickhowell, Talgarth and Hay. Cllr Morris spoke to the Chief Inspector regarding the Police Commissioner attending a Five Councils Liaison Meeting and was hopeful he will attend a further meeting.
- (ii) Cllr Rees reported due to work commitments he was finding it increasingly difficult to get to Health Board meetings and asked whether anyone else would like to take his place. Cllr Fairclough offered to take on the role. It was thereby agreed unanimously that Cllr Fairclough be the Council's Health Board Representative.

17. Correspondence: *the following correspondence was received, noted and discussed as appropriate:*

- 1. **Crickhowell TC:** Schedule of training offered by OVW with Planning Aid Wales (as discussed at Five Councils Meeting)
- 2. **OVW:** Government Public Consultation: Future management of private water supply pipes <http://www.defra.gov.uk/consult>
- 3. **Eleanor Badham, WWH:** confirmation agreement will be formulated and forwarded in due course
- 4. **Llangattock CC:** Five Councils Meeting - 10/07/13 at 7pm in the Community Hall. Agenda items requested.
- 5. **Bronwen Bermingham:** receipt of payment for internal audit
- 6. **John Cook, BBNPA:** acknowledgement of letter re LDP.
- 7. **Powys Teaching Health Board:** Letter in response to concerns raised by Bronllys League of Friends.
- 8. **LCAS:** Annual Local Council Advisory Service (LCAS) Seminar (£30+VAT) 23/10/13 Thornhill Centre Cardiff
- 9. **OVW:** Commission on devolution in Wales/Public Engagement – details of events held across Wales.
- 10. **OVW:** Welsh Affairs Committee: Second Evidence Session into The Work Programme In Wales
- 11. **OVW/Welsh Government:** Consultation on Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011 Part 7: Communities and Community Councils Guidance, including Statutory Guidance, to Principal Councils & Community & Town Councils. <http://wales.gov.uk/consultations/localgovernment/lq-measure-2011-part-7/?lang=en>
- 12. **K Downhill:** letter of complaint concerning representation at PAROW Meeting/Application 12/08081/OUT
- 13. **PCC:** Powys County Council War Memorials Project – project to contribute to the national remembrance of the centenary of World War 1 (2014-18) www.powys.gov.uk/heritage
- 14. **OVW:** Conference at the Royal Welsh Showground Llanellwedd Builth Wells (05/10/13).
- 15. **BDO:** Revised audit fees
- 16. **OVW:** invoice for Allotment training at Brecon 08/05/13 - £10
- 17. **PCC:** Local Flood Risk Management Strategy: Public Consultation
- 18. **BBNPA:** Application 13/09565/FUL Demolition of detached garage. Construction of disabled bedroom and shower room as annexed holiday accommodation - 3 Springfields, Llangenny NP8 1HA
- 19. **BBNPA:** PAROW Meeting 11th June the following applications are to be discussed with the recommendation they be permitted (Ty Ysgubor subject to Section 106 agreement) : (i) 12/08081/OUT - land adj to 1 Post Office, Glangrwyney (ii) 12/08223/FUL: Ty Ysgubor, Wern Fach, Llanbedr.
- 20. **Powys Teaching Health Board:** Consultation on the future of consultant lead maternity/ neonatal care, inpatient children's and emergency medicine services for South Wales and South Powys. Drop-in sessions,
- 21. **Crickhowell TC:** notes of Five Councils Liaison Meeting held on 24th April 2013
- 22. **OVW:** Press Announcement on Crossing the Border – road/rail links between England and Wales <http://www.parliament.uk/indcom>.
- 23. **Cty Cllr J Morris:** explanation from highways re two collections in Llangenny
- 24. **Brecknock & Radnor Community Health Council:** Public Consultation for South Wales and South Powys
- 25. **Brecknock & Radnor Community Health Council:** Agenda for 5th June meeting
- 26. **BBNPA:** Helen Fry Planning Officer - response to letter regarding SALT 50 Cwrt Y Gollen
- 27. **BBNPA:** C Parsons: Community Council Charter Action Plan 2013/14, Planning Obligations Presentation.
- 28. **Cty Cllr Morris:** copy of letter to Members to highlight issues regarding the LDP – BBNPA EGM 11th June
- 29. **The Green Valleys:** Spring Newsletter 2013

- 30. **European & External Funding Unit, PCC:** Funding Opportunities – Issue 30 May 2013
- 31. **BBNPA:** Action for Tourism (Issue 19)
- 32. **BBNPA:** Fforest Fawr Geopark News (Issue 13)

18. Miscellaneous/Late Items of correspondence

- 1. **Powys Teaching Health Board:** Details of The South Wales Programme consultation summary document.
- 2. **Invitation from Brigadier P M L Napier OBE** to a Reception at The Royal Welsh Show
- 3. **HAGS Play Ltd and SMP Playgrounds Ltd:** Discount on play equipment for community councils
- 4. **BBNPA:** Application 13/09169/FUL Bronwysg, Llangenny has been permitted
- 5. **BBNPA:** reconsultation due to amendment 13/09146/FUL Rose Cottage, Glangrwyney
- 6. **Powys Age Concern:** Summer edition of Powys AGenda – newsletter
- 7. **OVW:** details of two Funding Fairs
- 8. **OVW/WG Website Development Initiative:** The Welsh Government has allocated £500 per CC for development of a web site in order to prepare councils to meet the Local Government (Democracy) (Wales) Bill currently under consideration which will require each community council to publish information on a web site.
- 9. **Cty Cllr John Morris:** copy of letter to The Park's Members to highlight issues relevant to the proposed sites for inclusion in the LDP (for consideration at the EGM on 11th June)
- 10. **PC Andy Pole:** Brecon launch of the Police and Crime plan for Dyfed Powys police on 14th June 2013
- 11. **OVW:** Consultation on the proposed Draft Technical Advice Note (TAN) 23 Economic Development.
<http://wales.gov.uk/consultations/planning/economic-development-technical-advice-note-consultation/?lang=en>
- 12. **PAVO:** Invitation to Play in Powys: One Day Conference - 20th June – Metropole Hotel , Llandrindod Wells
- 13. **BBNPA:** BBNPA wish to recruit new members to the statutory Local Access Forum.
- 14. **BBNPA:** Training with regard to planning related issues. ie Differences between UDP and LDP, Section 106 Agreements, Implemented & Proposed Changes to Permitted Development Rights, Enforcement, Question and Answer Session. To be held in Crickhowell (Clarence Hall) 1st August 5-7pm RSVP by 1st July
- 15. **WG/Commission on Public Service Governance and Delivery:** Drop in events being held to offer the people Wales the chance to have their say on public services. Questionnaire provided for completion. Further details www.wales.gov.uk/publicservicecommission

19. Clerk's Report/Items for inclusion in the next Agenda:

- (i) Election of new Chairman.
- (ii) Fire Service Response time (Cllr Rees reported unacceptable delay in time taken for a fire engine to attend incident in Grwynefechan).

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 10pm.