

BEGUILDY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13th JULY 2010 AT FELINDRE VILLAGE HALL.

Present: Cllrs. A. Tippett (Chair), W O'Leary, M Morgan, K Jones, Ms A Hoyle and Ms A Jones.

Apologies: Cllrs. C Thomas and P Swancott

In Attendance: County Councillor J. Brunt and 2 members of the public.

PUBLIC COMMENTS MADE PRIOR TO THE BEGINNING OF THE COUNCIL MEETING:

No comments.

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING:

Declarations of Interest. Members were requested to declare any personal and/or prejudicial interests they may have in matters to be considered at the meeting in accordance with the Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct Order) (Wales) Order 2008.

Personal

Cllr E Harris

Item 8 – Public Path Order.

Cllr A Hoyle

Knucklas Community Centre

Cllr K Jones

Knucklas Community Centre & Item 8 – Public Path Order.

MIN 5015 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting on 8th June 2010 were approved and duly signed by the Chairman.

MIN 5016 MATTERS ARISING

1. Beacon Filling Station - the Clerk informed members that he had written to Steve Packer after the last meeting asking for any updates on action at this property and to date it can be assumed that no further action has taken place because no response has been received.
2. Community Benefits from Wind Farms – the Clerk informed members that the Powys Regeneration team has agreed to give a presentation on the benefits from wind farms at the next council meeting on the 14th September 2010. Members agreed that the presentation should be open to the public but that the presentation and questions should be restricted for the period of 1 hour from 7pm till 8pm on that evening to enable time for other council business. The clerk is to organise publicity in relation to this event including the availability of posters in all the villages and hamlets in the Teme Valley. It was also agreed that the Chairman of Bettys-Y-Crwn Community Council should be invited to the Presentation and the Clerk is to arrange this.
3. It was reported that Cllr A Tippett, Cllr Ms A Jones and the Clerk attended the recent Code of Conduct refresher courses in Llandrindod Wells. The Clerk has copies of case study papers used at these meetings for members to peruse.
4. The Clerk has checked with the legal department of Powys County Council and is able to confirm that Beguildy Community Council can become a joint tenant on the lease for Knucklas Community Centre with Knucklas Community Centre Management Committee. The Clerk has instructed Powys Legal Department to conduct a Deed of Variance on the lease having the new joint tenants. No confirmation has been received at this time on any cost involved, if any, of this procedure.

5. It was agreed that this Council apply for planning, for allotments to be administered by Knucklas Community Land Project . Cllr K Jones reported that no confirmation had been received from the planning department by Knucklas Community Land Project and therefore asked that the Council suspend any further action until further notice.
6. Community Enablement Support Fund – the Clerk reported he had been in contact with Powys Grants Officer Jenny Thomas in relation to getting funding for the play area at Knucklas. Members agreed that £500 can be used from the Heyope Recreation Ground Trust for matched funding for this project. The Clerk is also to contact Harry Tuffins for a contribution to this project. County Cllr J Brunt reported that there was only a limited amount of monies in this fund and therefore members agreed that the Clerk should organise a meeting between the Powys Playgrounds Officer, Powys County Cllr John Brunt & Community Cllr Will O’Leary on the Knucklas site to discuss the grant application at an early date.
7. East Radnorshire Day Centre AGM on the 14th June 2010. Cllr Ms Anne Jones attended this meeting on behalf of Beguildy Community Council. She reported that the Day Centre had secured Social Services Funding for the next 3 years. She also confirmed that the Day Centre had been running for 15 years and now operates 5 days a week. There is currently 20 staff plus volunteers. The referrals come from Powys County Council and Herefordshire County Council plus private clients and at the present time, there is a waiting list of people wanting to come to the Day Centre. She also reported that the budget for the Day Centre for 2009-10 was in deficit to the sum of £1,959 and the budget for this year could also be in deficit.

MIN 5017 COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

County Cllr. John Brunt presented the following items to the meeting:-

1. It was agreed that the Clerk should write to Network Rail regarding the trees and shrubs that are restricting road users at Knucklas Railway Bridge.
2. It was also agreed that members should supply our County Cllr with a list of pot holes not completed at the next council meeting.

MIN 5018 FINANCE

Payments –	
N King (July 2010 Salary)	£267.01
HM Inspector of Taxes (Income Tax deducted from Clerks Salary)	(£53.40)
Net Pay	£213.61
One Voice Wales	£65.00
Zurich Insurance Company	£205.00

The above payments were noted and agreed, however in addition members agreed that donations to the village halls are made in the near future.

MIN 5019 PLANNING

To consider the following applications:-

a) Application Ref: 10/01943-Retention of gate piers, wall and track improvements at land west of Trebodier, Beguildy, Shropshire.

In relation to this application members were agreed that the main application for this site had been refused by the planning inspector and this retrospective application for gate walls and track improvements should be allowed.

b) Application Ref: P2010 0650 - Planning Application for 9 wind turbines at Hirddywel near Llanidloes. Members discussed this application and made the following comments – 'Loads to and from the site would create a traffic problem.' 'The wind farms would have a considerable visual impact on the landscape.'

MIN 5020 HIGHWAYS, HOUSING AND ENVIRONMENT

a) Proposed Public Path orders-The Hendre Beguildy.

Members discussed this proposal and were in favour of the changes because it would address some anomalies, join up the existing pathways and alleviate any problems of walkers going through the farm yard.

MIN 5021 GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

a) Powys County Council-statement of Licensing Policy – Members noted.

b) National Training programme - Members noted.

c) CAB Newsletter - Members noted.

d) HOWLTA-Newsletter - Members noted.

e) Consultation document on Byelaws in Wales - Members noted.

f) Presteigne Mayor fundraising event at Sheep Music Dome – The Chairman read out a letter from Presteigne and Norton Town Mayor inviting members to take part in a fund raising activity for the improvement of facilities for young people in Presteigne. The Chairman indicated he would attend.

MIN 5022 APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

a) NSPCC

b) Shelter

Members agreed that any donations would be agreed at the end of the financial year.

MIN 5023 HEYOPE RECREATION GROUND

(1) The minutes for the meeting of the 8th June 2010 were approved without amendment and duly signed by the Chairman.

MIN 5024 INFORMATION ITEMS

None.

MIN 5025 AOB

County Cllr John Brunt reported that a review of electoral boundaries for the County of Powys has taken place and this would involve Beguildy Ward increasing in size and retaining the name Beguildy. Additional areas added on include the Llangunllo area.

The meeting ended at 9.20pm.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 7.00pm 14th September at Knucklas Village Hall.