

TALYBONT ON USK COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Cyngor Cymuned Talybont ar Wysg

**MEETING HELD ON 10 SEPTEMBER 2012 AT THE HENDERSON HALL,
TALYBONT ON USK**

ITEM NO	NOTES	ACTION
1	<p><u>Apologies for absence</u></p> <p>Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Bugler. Cllr Darbyshire arrived at 1926.</p> <p>Prior to the meeting, Paul Shackson and colleague presented information relating to the proposed Circuit of Wales race track at Rassau. Councillors were interested to hear of the plans and were broadly supportive of them. The planning application is due to be submitted in October.</p> <p>Adele Nozedar from Talybont Energy was present and invited to speak under agenda item 8. She did so (see minuted item) and left afterwards.</p>	Noted
2	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>Cllr James declared an interest in respect of items 9a and 10a of the agenda.</p>	
3	<p><u>To approve the minutes of the last meeting</u></p> <p>These were agreed and signed by the Chairman, proposed by Cllr Burdon and seconded by Cllr Darbyshire.</p>	
4	<p><u>Matters arising</u></p> <p>7 – Playing Field grass cutting. The field was cut prior to the bank holiday weekend but Councillors agreed that the service received this year was not up to standard.</p> <p>7 additional item – Village of the Year Plaque and old Information Board. The Chairman suggested the Village of the Year Plaque could be put up on the Bus Shelter, and all were in agreement that this should happen.</p> <p>Double yellow line repainting – The Chairman suggested that contact should be made with PCC to request repainting as soon as possible.</p> <p>Brecon Advice Centre – it was resolved that requests for financial support should be put on the agenda for the October meeting.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Cllr Davies</p> <p>Clerk to contact Tony Caine for a proposed start date</p> <p>Clerk</p>

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5	<p><u>Correspondence</u></p> <p>a) Notice of AGM of SLCC.</p> <p>b) Request from Glyn Tarrell Community Council regarding the purchase of daffodil bulbs. It was agreed that no purchase would be made at this time, however the Chairman agreed that his details be passed to the Clerk at Glyn Tarrell as he has details of a cheaper supplier.</p> <p>c) BBNPA Town & Community Council Charter – launch and signing 5th October.</p> <p>d) Welsh Government Consultation – draft statutory guidance on local authorities powers to promote wellbeing.</p> <p>e) Powys Regeneration Partnership – on tour dates.</p> <p>f) Results of election for Town & Community Council representatives to the Standards sub-committee.</p> <p>g) One Voice Wales – membership forms received. It was decided not to join at this time.</p> <p>h) Request from Talybont Trail fund raising challenge to use the Playing Field for supplementary car parking. It was agreed to grant this request, subject to ground conditions being suitable.</p> <p>i) Age Concern Powys newsletter.</p> <p>j) Business to Nature Interreg project conference.</p> <p>k) BBNPA action for tourism newsletter.</p> <p>l) Invitation to attend consultation event from Powys teaching Health Board.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Clerk/Cllr Davies</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Passed to Cllr Bugler</p> <p>Passed to Cllr Bugler</p> <p>Passed to Cllr Darbyshire</p>
6	<p><u>National Park Authority Matters</u></p> <p>A discussion took place regarding the proposed LDP and Cllr Thomas agreed that he would request paper copies of the Additional Focussed Changes documents and form a working group in order to respond to the BBNPA by 19th October.</p>	<p>Cllr Thomas</p>
7	<p><u>Community Council assets including Playing Field</u></p> <p>a) Request from Mr Darren James to hire the Playing Field from Thursday 2nd August to Sunday 5th August for a marquee. The event passed without incident or undue disturbance and it was resolved that the Clerk should contact Mr James to arrange for the £25 to be refunded.</p> <p>b) Update on Councillor's inspection of play equipment and repairs. The strength and stability of the games wall upright was tested and found to have no movement. The cross chains have been removed and the links were found to be worn, shackles have been purchased and final</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Noted</p>

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	<p>repairs are due to be carried out. Leap frog posts – these have been cut down and recoated but it was noted that there is not much life left in them.</p>	
<p>8</p>	<p><u>Highway Matters</u></p> <p>a) Talybont Village Traffic Report follow up – to receive an update.</p> <p>The Chairman reported that an email had been sent to Barry Tomlinson Architects and an estimate had been received. It was agreed that a simple plan could be drawn up by Community Councillors and it was resolved that no further action would be taken regarding the estimate.</p> <p>b) Signage update – further to an email received from Jan Walsh at Cotyledon, Councillors discussed various options for signage within the village, both signposting parking at the village hall, and in other areas. It was agreed that the Clerk would respond to Jan Walsh with a summary of these discussions.</p> <p>c) The Chairman invited Adele Nozedar to speak. She presented a proposal by Talybont Energy to fund and provide planters tended by community members in order to grow herbs and flowers that could be picked by members of the community. Community Councillors were supportive of the idea, and the Chairman advised Adele to contact the Gardening Group in order to obtain their support.</p> <p>d) Discarded road signs – there are discarded road signs in Scethrog and Llanhamlach. County Cllr Fitzpatrick agreed to take this up with the relevant department at PCC.</p> <p>e) Himalayan Balsam and overgrown vegetation at the A40 junction. Cllr Burdon expressed concern at the management of the vegetation, and it had always been the view that this area would be managed by the Local Authority. It was resolved that the Clerk would contact Brent Campbell with a view to obtaining clarification and action on this issue.</p> <p>f) Community Councillor Thomas raised the matter of the state of the toilets in the car park of the White Hart. It was agreed that the Clerk would contact Lyn Parry at PCC to request that they undergo some maintenance.</p> <p>g) Community Councillor Thomas raised the matter of brambles and nettles at head height on the Station Road footpath. It was agreed that the Clerk would contact Simon Harper to request that this be rectified.</p>	<p>Working Group</p> <p>Cllr Davies to respond to Barry Tomlinson</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>County Cllr Fitzpatrick</p> <p>Clerk to contact Brent Campbell</p> <p>Clerk to contact Lyn Parry</p> <p>Clerk to contact Simon Harper</p>

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9	<p><u>Applications for Planning Consent</u></p> <p>a) 12/08353/CON – land adjacent to Tynewydd, Scethrog, LD3 7EQ – Variation of condition 2 of 06/00342/FUL to allow minor alterations to plans for new dwelling with garage. The house plans require internal changes leading to minor external changes and a separate garage is desired.</p> <p>Councillors supported this application.</p> <p>b) 12/08321/FUL – Ty Taf Fechan, Dol y Gaer, Merthyr Tydfil, CF48 2HR – change of use and conversion of domestic double garage into holiday let.</p> <p>Councillors decided, in line with policy on conversion of double garages to holiday let, not to support this application.</p> <p>c) 12/08355/FUL – Nantllanerch, Talybont on Usk, LD3 7YS – Extension and refurbishment of Grade II Listed Building including conversion of attached barn to provide extended residential accommodation. Conversion of detached barn to holiday let and creation of detached bat loft.</p> <p>Councillors supported this application.</p> <p>d) 12/08257/FUL – Outdoor Leadership Training Centre, Talybont Reservoir, Talybont-on-Usk – “to provide a new, galvanised steel framed canopy to cover a climbing (bouldering) wall located at the rear of the OLTC Talybont Navy Centre above Talybont Reservoir. The proposed canopy would be 15 metres long and up to 2 metres wide with 25mm thick polycarbonate glazing and enclosed at each end by a security door and panels.”</p> <p>Councils supported this application.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
10	<p><u>Results from National Park of applications for Planning Consent and other matters</u></p> <p>a) 12/08051/FUL and 12/08053/LBC – Weighbridge Cottage, Talybont LD3 7UQ – retention of dwelling required as a result of unauthorised deviations from the approved plans for reinstatement of dwelling and extension - Refusal of permission for development.</p> <p>b) 12/08102/FUL – Newton Farm, Scethrog, LD3 7YG – agricultural shed for storage of manure and proposed raising of walls and roof on silage pit – permission for development granted.</p> <p>c) 12/08110/FUL – Buckland Hall, Bwlch, LD3 7JJ – installation of container holding new biomass burner and fuel storage and new oil tank to replace existing oil tanks – permission for development granted.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>

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	<p>d) Letter from Principal Planning Officer has written to the agent regarding the application (12/08304/FUL) at the Mill House, Pencelli, LD3 7LX and their comments contained in the submitted supporting statement.</p> <p>e) Planning Training – dates available are Tuesday 18th September at Clarence Hall, Crickhowell and Tuesday 25th September at BBNPA offices, Brecon, both at 6pm for 2 hours. The Clerk would write to Ann Kinsey with a list of Councillors interested in each date.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Clerk to write to Ann Kinsey</p>
<p>11</p>	<p><u>Finance</u></p> <p>a) Presentation of Annual Return to Council for approval and acceptance. The Clerk advised that the Annual Return had been received from the Auditors and it was proposed by Cllr Burdon and seconded by Cllr Thomas that the Annual Return be approved.</p> <p>b) Current financial situation – balance of account as at 10/09/2012 £4,791.64 – payment of £2,917.00 received for precept.</p> <p>c) To discuss future financing of Talybont Matters in a longer format. The Clerk reported that Claire Grey had proposed that Talybont Energy newsletter be merged with Talybont Matters, creating a longer document, with Talybont Energy’s newsletter occupying the centre pages. It was agreed that the Chairman would contact Councillor Mike Bugler to discuss how this would be financed, since no payment had been received for the invoice sent to Talybont Energy.</p> <p>d) Report on recent performance of Douglas Tonks Payroll. The clerk reported that her salary had been paid on time.</p> <p>e) Unity Bank Account update The clerk reported that this was in progress.</p> <p>f) Cheques were written in relation to previously agreed payments to ERA21 (£120.00), Freestyle printers (£107.00), BDO (£162.00), and to the Clerk for purchase of Local Council Administration textbook (£62.90).</p> <p>g) Clerk’s expenses – the spreadsheet and receipts were circulated and signed by the Chairman and a cheque signed for £30.84.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Cllr Davies</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Noted</p>
<p>12</p>	<p><u>Date of next meeting</u></p> <p>22nd October 2012, 7.15pm at the Henderson Hall. Cllr Darbyshire gave her apologies for that meeting.</p>	

