

TALYBONT ON USK COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Cyngor Cymuned Talybont ar Wysg

MEETING HELD ON 15th MAY 2017 AT THE HENDERSON HALL, TALYBONT ON USK

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| 1 | <p><u>Apologies for absence</u></p> <p>No apologies were received.</p> <p>Present:</p> <p>Cllr Burdon (Chairman), Cllr Baldwin (Vice Chairman), Cllr Bell, Cllr Eardley, Cllr James, Cllr Jones, Cllr Newberry, Cllr Thomas, County Cllr Fitzpatrick, and the Clerk.</p> | <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> |
| 2 | <p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>There were no declarations of interest.</p> | <p>Noted</p> |
| 3 | <p><u>To approve the minutes of the last meeting</u></p> <p>Cllr Thomas proposed and Cllr Bell seconded that the minutes be approved as a true record of the last meeting and they were signed by the Chairman.</p> | <p>Noted</p> |
| 4 | <p><u>Matters arising</u></p> <p>Boundary Fence – Mr Jenkins had taken measurements and the work was due to be carried out.</p> <p>Cricket Club complaint – Cllr James confirmed that a meeting was due to take place next week.</p> <p>Noticeboards – the Clerk agreed to check who would place meeting minutes in the noticeboards in each village.</p> <p>TOUE – the Clerk confirmed the invoice had been sent.</p> <p>Penpentre resurfacing – the drains had been re-opened but significant puddles remained. Cllr Bell agreed to take photos of the issue.</p> <p>Station Road – Allun Jones had agreed to go and take a look.</p> | <p>Noted</p> <p>Cllr James</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Cllr Bell</p> <p>Clerk</p> |

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| 5 | <p><u>Correspondence</u></p> <p>a) Powys Standards Committee Nominations b) Email from Sandra Briskham re the trail event last weekend.</p> <p>Many complaints had been received about this event, which had been booked directly with the Henderson Hall Committee.</p> <p>After a lengthy discussion of the issues, it was agreed that the Clerk would suggest that the Hall bookings secretary informs the tourism group of large bookings, that the Clerk would write to the Chief Exec of the National Park to raise concerns that no warning the event was given, and that the general issue of events within the National Park should be raised at the next Joint Councils meeting.</p> | <p>Noted Clerk</p> |
| 6 | <p><u>Co-option of new councillor</u></p> <p>It was agreed that the interested person would be invited to the June meeting for an informal chat, and that the Clerk would email the co-option notice to Cllr Newberry for display in Scethrog.</p> | <p>Clerk</p> |
| 7 | <p><u>Village of the Year TV programme</u></p> <p>The Clerk gave details, but upon investigation, it was discovered that the application date had passed. It was agreed that the Clerk should ask to be kept informed of future competitions.</p> | <p>Clerk</p> |
| 8 | <p><u>Henry Vaughan Garden</u></p> <p>The Chairman gave an update on the issue for the new Councillors. Mr Williams had signed all necessary paperwork, and the other party now needed to do the same. £250 had been fundraised by a group wishing to tidy up the garden.</p> | <p>Noted</p> |
| 9 | <p><u>Canal adoption, maintenance, and forthcoming works</u></p> <p>The Chairman gave an update on the meeting held on 2nd May.</p> <p>The new ramp design is to be sent to PCC within one month A dog waste bin was proposed The grit bin would be moved Planting around the kiosk could be done as part of the adoption</p> | <p>Cllrs Thomas & Burdon</p> |

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| | <p>Removal of signage, cutting back of scrub material The bridge deck surface was a PCC highways matter Signage to warn of steepness</p> <p>County Cllr Fitzpatrick confirmed that PCC was extremely concerned about the lack consultation with Highways, and offered to arrange a joint meeting with the Chief Exec of CRT, Highways and Planning.</p> | <p>County Cllr Fitzpatrick</p> |
| <p>10</p> | <p><u>Dogs on the playing field/dog fouling</u></p> <p>Cllr Thomas updated members. Some signs were already up, but the larger signs still needed to be sourced, and put on posts. Cllr Bell proposed and Cllr James seconded that the Clerk be authorised to spend up to £100 on signs.</p> | <p>Clerk</p> |
| <p>11</p> | <p><u>Rubbish & Recycling</u></p> <p>County Cllr Fitzpatrick confirmed that this was a huge issue within Powys, and would be one of the first things to be dealt with by the new cabinet. The Chairman agreed to speak to Allun Jones.</p> | <p>Cllr Burdon</p> |
| <p>12</p> | <p><u>Village signage</u></p> <p>It was agreed that this be dealt with at the June meeting, as it was linked to the Hall renovations.</p> | <p>Noted</p> |
| <p>13</p> | <p><u>Street lighting</u></p> <p>Two of the lights had been resolved, but one was still an issue. Cllr Thomas was going to report it.</p> | <p>Cllr Thomas</p> |
| <p>14</p> | <p><u>Talybont Matters</u></p> <p>Cllr Thomas explained the history for the new members. The Clerk agreed to pass bank details to Cllr Jones for a donation from the shop.</p> | <p>Clerk</p> |
| <p>15</p> | <p><u>Big Lottery Grant</u></p> <p>Cllr Thomas updated members on the recent progress of works at the Henderson Hall. Some kitchen items had been purchased. Cllr James asked how long the kitchen would be out of action for, Cllr Thomas would confirm.</p> | <p>Noted</p> |

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| 16 | <p><u>BRAG</u></p> <p>Patrols have begun.</p> | Noted |
| 17 | <p><u>National Park Authority Matters</u></p> <p>None to report. County Cllr Fitzpatrick took the opportunity to update members on PCC matters, as newly appointed member for Highways. There are 32 new members in PCC, and lots of changes are ahead.</p> | Noted |
| 18 | <p><u>Community Council Assets including Playing Field</u></p> <p>a) Dave Poulton had completed the work. A shovel had been purchased for the caretaker to use for clearing the drains in the hall car park. The Clerk agreed to speak to the grass cutting contractor re strimming under benches and equipment. Cllr Burdon reported that the information from the HV Garden was no longer legible. All agreed it should be removed. Cllr Burdon offered to do this, and Cllr James offered his assistance.</p> <p>b) It was agreed that a working group would be set up to draft an agreement for users of the playing field. Cllrs Baldwin, Bell and James agreed.</p> <p>c) A discussion regarding the use of the field for camping took place. One proposal was received that the group should not be permitted, which received two votes. An amended proposal, that any such use should be incorporated with a booking for the Hall was submitted, and received four votes. It was agreed that the Clerk would advise the potential users that there was no external water source and that the fee would be £50 per night, provided it went alongside a booking for the Hall.</p> | <p>Noted Noted Clerk Cllrs Burdon/James Clerk</p> |
| 19 | <p><u>Highway Matters</u></p> <p>Yellow lines at Penpentre need to be extended by a few feet. The Clerk agreed to contact Tony Caine and Jo Lancey.</p> <p>Canol Pentre – brambles are overgrown at the back. The Clerk agreed to contact housing.</p> <p>A small wall had fallen down in Scethrog. Cllr James reported that it belonged to his mother, that she had been unwell, but that the wall had been cordoned off and a builder was due to come and replace the wall soon..</p> | <p>Clerk Clerk Cllr James</p> |

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| 20 | <p><u>Applications for Planning Consent</u></p> <p>a) There were no new applications for planning consent</p> <p>b) Results from National Park of applications for Planning Consent and other matters. Permission had been granted for the application at the Ty Twlch, with conditions re visibility.</p> | <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> |
| 21 | <p><u>Finance</u></p> <p>a) Current financial situation – current account £12,899.02 restricted funds £263.53.</p> <p>b) Clerk’s expenses – none.</p> <p>c) Banking issues – It was agreed that additional online authorities were required, and Cllrs Jones and James were in agreement. Cllr Newberry would be a new cheque signatory.</p> <p>d) Approval of payment invoices and signing of cheques:</p> <p>Cllr Baldwin proposed and Cllr Bell seconded the following payments:</p> <p>Katy Tutt - £302.75 for May salary payment Richard Abram - £25.00 for newsletter expenses PAVO - £35.00 for Q1 payroll Came & Company - £754.78 for annual insurance Kitchen equipment to the value of £600</p> | <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> |
| 21 | <p><u>Date of next meeting</u></p> <p>The next meeting would be held on Monday 19th June 2017 at 7.15pm at the Henderson Hall.</p> | <p>Noted</p> |