

**TALYBONT ON USK COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
**Cyngor Cymuned Talybont ar Wysg**

**MEETING HELD ON 28<sup>th</sup> JULY AT THE HENDERSON HALL, TALYBONT ON USK**

ITEM NO	NOTES	ACTION
1	<p>Prior to the main business of the meeting, the Chairman welcomed Paul Dann of NRW who gave an update on the felling of trees affected by Phytopthera Ramorum: one area has been completed, one is under way and one is on hold. Current levels of traffic are expected to continue for the next six months.</p> <p><b><u>Apologies for absence</u></b></p> <p>Cllrs James and Baldwin sent apologies.</p> <p>Present:</p> <p>Cllr Thomas (Chairman), Cllr Bugler (Vice Chairman), Cllr Jones, Cllr Davies, Cllr Darbyshire, Cllr Burdon, Cllr Bell, County Cllr Fitzpatrick and the Clerk. PCSO Legg was also present for the first part of the meeting.</p>	<p><b>Noted</b></p> <p><b>Noted</b></p>
2	<p><b><u>Declarations of Interest</u></b></p> <p>Cllr Burdon declared an interest in respect of agenda item 14d and signed the register accordingly</p>	<p><b>Noted</b></p>
	<p><b><u>B.R.A.G.</u></b></p> <p>The Chairman suggested, and all agreed, that the B.R.A.G. update be moved to the start of the meeting to allow PCSO Legg to give his update as early in the meeting as possible. PCSO Legg advised that there was a possibility of weekend volunteers having access to a police radio to report any issues. Also that the police still have the power to issue parking tickets if necessary. He asked for a volunteer to be a local coordinator and the Chairman suggested Cllr Bugler, who accepted.</p>	<p><b>Noted</b></p>
3	<p><b><u>To approve the minutes of the last meeting</u></b></p> <p>Cllr Bugler proposed and Cllr Darbyshire seconded that the minutes of the May meeting be approved and all agreed.</p>	<p><b>Noted</b></p>

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4	<p><b><u>Matters arising</u></b></p> <p>i) Public liability insurance for users of the Playing Field – Cllr James was not present to provide an update. Cllr Davies would email Sandra Briskham for confirmation of the insurance cover for the Annual Show.</p> <p>ii) Cllr Thomas had spoken to Mel Thomas who was happy to continue his duties, and the Clerk would email the new employee form.</p> <p>iii) One Voice Wales Brecon &amp; Radnor area meeting in Newbridge-on-Wye. Cllr Bugler attended and gave a brief report. There would be a budget meeting on 8/10. Also he had offered to host the next meeting in Talybont on 18/10.</p> <p>iii) Cllrs Burdon and Thomas reported that they had inspected the broken bench and that it should be removed. All agreed that this should be done.</p> <p>iv) The lines in the Henderson Hall carpark had now been completed.</p> <p>v) Trunk road speed limits – reply from Kirsty Williams’s office confirming that this review is still active.</p>	<p><b>Cllrs Davies and James</b></p> <p><b>Clerk</b></p> <p><b>Clerk to book hall</b></p> <p><b>Cllr Burdon</b></p> <p><b>Noted</b></p> <p><b>Noted</b></p>
5	<p><b><u>Correspondence</u></b></p> <p>A number of newsletters and circulars were placed on the side table for inspection.</p> <p>a) Letter from PCC re deposit of Powys LDP – consultation from 28/7-08/09.</p> <p>b) Letter from PCC re grounds maintenance service 2014.</p> <p>c) Email from One Voice Wales re 2014 Conference and AGM 4/10/2014 at the Royal Welsh Showground, Builth Wells. It was agreed that a representative should attend the AGM but not the conference.</p> <p>d) Email from Dwr Cymru Welsh Water re upgrading the Pontsticill water treatment works.</p> <p>e) Letter from PCC re consultation on Library Services.</p> <p>f) Email from Talybont Energy requesting members’ views on the success of the Community Fund – all agreed that it was a great success and if possible, should be repeated.</p> <p>g) Email re rear path at Pen Pentre – Chairman had emailed Chris Richards.</p>	<p><b>Noted</b></p> <p><b>Noted</b></p> <p><b>Noted</b></p> <p><b>Noted</b></p> <p><b>Clerk to email</b></p> <p><b>Clerk to respond</b></p> <p><b>Await response</b></p>
6	<p><b><u>Talybont Energy Community Fund</u></b></p> <p>Cllr Jones advised that he would be meeting Sue Thorne next week.</p>	<p><b>Cllr Jones</b></p>
7	<p><b><u>Public Convenience Provision</u></b></p>	

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	<p>The Clerk confirmed that she had received no response to her email to Richard Hobbs. County Cllr Fitzpatrick reported that Alistair Knox and Richard Hobbs had left PCC.</p> <p>The Chairman reported that he would write the letter to the Chief Executive as promised.</p>	<p><b>Clerk</b></p> <p><b>Cllr Thomas</b></p>
8	<p><b><u>Canol Pentre posts</u></b></p> <p>The Chairman reported 57 posts had appeared along the grass verge next to Canol Pentre without consultation with the Community Council. After a short discussion it was agreed that the Clerk should send a letter to Cabinet members to express concern.</p>	<p><b>Clerk</b></p>
9	<p><b><u>Beacons Rural Action Group</u></b></p> <p>See earlier note.</p>	
10	<p><b><u>Bank Erosion on River Usk at Scethrog, potential risk to A40</u></b></p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>	<p><b>Noted</b></p>
11	<p><b><u>National Park Authority Matters</u></b></p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>	
12	<p><b><u>Community Council Assets</u></b></p> <p>a) RoSPA play inspection – The inspection had been carried out and some significant work was required. Regular visual inspections should be carried out. It was suggested that Alan Irwin be approached to carry out the welding under the see-saw. It was proposed that the young people of the village could be involved in simple maintenance, Cllr Bell agreed to co-ordinate this.</p> <p>b) Parking lines in Henderson Hall Car Park – completed.</p> <p>c) Emptying of bins in playground – this was now being carried out.</p> <p>d) Bike track – the Chairman reported that he had met with Keith from Bikes &amp; Hikes re the youngsters’ mountain bike track. He and the local group wish to improve the area,</p>	<p><b>Cllr Thomas/Cllr Bell</b></p> <p><b>Noted</b></p> <p><b>Noted</b></p> <p><b>Cllr Thomas</b></p>

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	have been offered labour by the Navy and will ensure acceptable signage – all agreed.	
13	<p><b><u>Highway Matters</u></b></p> <p>a) Speed monitoring – the Chairman reported that there had been no progress. It was agreed that Brent Campbell and Tony Caine should be invited to a site meeting.</p> <p>b) The Chairman reported that he had contacted the Highways Agency and that they had no knowledge of any plans to repair or remove the railway bridge.</p>	<p><b>Clerk</b></p> <p><b>Noted</b></p>
14	<p><b><u>Applications for Planning Consent</u></b></p> <p>a) 14/10991/FUL – demolition of existing side extension and construction of new two storey side extension, two storey rear extension and detached carriage house at Gethinog Farm, Cross Oaks.</p> <p>b) 14/10930/FUL - The erection of a two storey rear extension onto the garden to provide a kitchen, bathroom and bedroom at Upper Talybryn, Llansanffraed.</p> <p>c) 14/11033/FUL – installation of one yagi antenna at a height of 18m on the existing 20m mast together with associated bracketry, feeder cable and ancillary development thereto at Forestry Commission land Coetgaellwyn, Torpantau</p> <p>d) 14/10925/FUL – Seasonal camping site (tents) on fields adjacent to Talybont Farm at Talybont Farm, LD3 7YJ.</p> <p>Cllr Darbyshire proposed and Cllr Jones seconded that applications a, b and c be supported and all agreed.</p> <p>It was agreed that further information concerning application d) was required before a decision could be made: definition of 'seasonal', confirmation that the site was only for tents and not for caravans, and confirmation of the number of pitches.</p>	<p><b>Clerk</b></p> <p><b>Clerk</b></p>
15	<p><b><u>Results from National Park of applications for Planning Consent and other matters</u></b></p> <p>a) Notification was received that the planning application submitted by the Canal and River Trust at Underhill Farm was approved, which should allow for the removal of the container at Talybont Farm.</p> <p>b) The Clerk reported that she had received a copy of the missing planning application for the Manse, Talybont-on-Usk.</p>	<p><b>Noted</b></p>

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16	<p><b><u>Finance</u></b></p> <p>a) Current financial situation – balance of account as at 28<sup>th</sup> July £2,134.58. The Clerk also provided an update on the first quarter’s expenditure vs budget.</p> <p>b) Clerk’s expenses –carried over.</p> <p>c) Approval of payments and signing of cheques – invoices were presented and cheques were signed for £25.00 to Amie Evans as return of deposit for hire of Playing Field and for £32.80 to Mike Bugler for playground paint, as proposed by Cllr Jones and seconded by Cllr Burdon.</p> <p>d) The Chairman reported that several other Community Councils had accepted the draft financial regulations as fit for their purposes.</p> <p>e) Audit paperwork – the Clerk presented the auditor’s decision to issue an unqualified certificate and report, and the paperwork was signed by the Chairman and the Clerk.</p>	<p><b>Noted</b></p> <p><b>Noted Clerk</b></p> <p><b>Noted</b></p> <p><b>Clerk</b></p>
15	<p><b><u>Date of next meeting</u></b></p> <p>The next meeting is to be held on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September at 7.30pm at the Henderson Hall.</p>	<p><b>Noted</b></p>