

Monthly meeting of Castle Caereinion Community Council

Minutes of the Meeting	Date: Tuesday Oct 25 th 2016 Time: 7.30pm Location: Castle Caereinion Community Centre
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Participants			
	Attendees:	Apologies	Non Attendees
Chair: Cllr Nigel Bowen (NB)	Cllr Eve Over (EO) Cllr John Hopkins (JH) Cllr Gary Human (GH)	Cllr Joan Wyatt (JW) Cnty Cllr David Jones (DJ)	
Clerk: Carys Evans (CE)	Cllr Margaret Jerman (MJ) Cllr Lene Lewis (LL) Cllr Gareth Davies (GD)		

Agenda 97: Ten minutes for members of the public

- i. Castle Caereinion had a special mention and won a section of Best Kept Village, certificate presented to the group.
 - ii. Mr Weaver, Mr & Mrs Rees expressed concerns about planning notice P/2016/0959 proposed development of 5 dwellings at Swallows Meadow. Paid a high premium for land on understanding adjacent land was not going to be developed. Very disappointed to see planning notice. Concerned about impact on their views and children playing in the area may be put at risk due to increased traffic. Suggested land could be used as community area or play area. Cllr NB advised they can object via planning portal by 8th November.
 - iii. Mr & Mrs Doys also expressed concerns over the P/2016/0959.
- Members of public left meeting at 7.40pm.

Agenda 98: Declarations of interest: None

Agenda 99: Minutes of the previous meeting

Signed as a true and correct record – Proposer Cllr GH Second Cllr MJ

Agenda 100: Matters arising from the minutes

1. Defibrillator Course - Clerk has emailed Community Heartbeat (20/10/16) to enquire about arranging a course, awaiting response.

Agenda 101: Financial report

1. Balance of Treasurers Account £3948.42 Balance of D/A £ 4250.68 Playground £ 8004.51

1. Cllr NB & CE to go to Lloyds Bank to discuss correspondence.
2. Acting Clerks Wages £644 (£624 + £20 expenses) paid by cheque number 000356 proposed Cllr EO, seconded Cllr NB

Agenda 102: Phone Box

1. Update on Phone Box reinstatement. Clerk sent email 18/10/16 to Christine Platt (BT) and cc to Russell George AM. To inform them BT Box not on private land and requesting urgent attention to reinstate landline. No response as yet.

Agenda 103: Highway Matters

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1. Swallows Meadow - Letter sent to PCC ref hedges and boundaries onto Hentryd lane need cutting.
2. Land drainage Authority update RE Watery Lane - Cllr GD met with Graham Astley and Dave Lore – suggested may be grants available to help improve drainage. Graham Astley will apply for grant funding – Cllr GD to provide update.
3. Cllr JH asked for an update on traffic calming in village, email received from Cnty Cllr DJ ref Castle Caereinion small safety scheme; preliminary work / negotiations to commence end Oct, subject o progress on land negotiations, detailed design may be completed in New Year, if entry granted construct may commence March 2017.

Agenda 104: Playground

1. Playground ownership details from land registry returned with letter from Colin Edwards (PCC Principal Solicitor) stating he will write to Steven Gealy (Responsible for play areas) ref long lease or gift of play area property.
2. Grass Cutting Options – Georgina Kemp has replied and suggested a meeting to discuss further. Cllr NB proposed we ask Ms Kemp to attend one of our meetings; seconded Cllr GH. Action CE to invite Ms Kemp to next months meeting.

Agenda: 105 Burgess Land Trust

1. Cllr GH - considering grant applications available via the Trust for playschools etc, will discuss further next meeting. Action Cllr GH

Agenda 106: Web Site

1. Colin reported via email access to the site has been achieved and work commenced to update links and pages. Priority is getting site up to date and ensuring links work. Colin will add authorised agendas / minutes from the Clerk. Additional support is still sought for parts of the site such as graphics, diary or email links; volunteers would be most welcome.

Agenda 107 Correspondence

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Letter from Greenfingers2. Update on local Govt reform3. OVW – training sessions4. Welsh treasury news5. IRPW draft annual report | <ol style="list-style-type: none">6. Cabinet secretary proposes positive development for the community and town council sector in Wales7. National infrastructure commission for Wales8. Community energy Wales update – Oct9. Grass verges and playground |
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Agenda 108: PCC planning notices

1. P/2016/0983 – Proposed Residential Development for up to 9 dwellings and creation of new access and associated works on land south of Maes Castell SY21 9BJ
Cllr JH sent in message there may be drainage problems. Plans outline a mix of semi-detached and detached properties. Cllr EO raised increase in traffic however indications are that Highways seem ok with it presently. Cllr GH proposed in favour, Cllr MJ seconded, carried unanimously.
2. P/2016/0959 – Proposed land at Swallows Meadow Castle Caereinion SY21 9DZ – Application for outline planning permission for erection of 5 dwellings with some matters reserved
Cllrs agreed this was a very important issue for the whole village.
Cllr JH noted there is an indication of landscaping on the plans.
Clear some residents were not expecting the development. Section 106 discharge grant was included within Council minutes in Nov 2014. Some Cllrs were of the opinion letters would have gone out to residents before this (approx. 2011), but aware people had moved into area since then.
Concern about increased traffic in Swallows Meadow, as there has already been a problem.
Use of land as a potential play-area was discussed, general consensus there were insufficient funds to maintain the land. Cllrs were of the opinion there was no plan to provide a play area on the original plans for the first 55 dwellings, retrospectively this would have probably been the best option, but have to judge on the plans at present.
Cllr EO stated there must be a reason the original plans were for 55 and not for 60.
Cllr JH stated community centre green area was available for children and young people, providing dogs were not brought on.
Cllr NB stated as LDP not adopted and UDP has expired, he was concerned the plans may go through anyway, this could be an opportunity to use the planning application as leverage to construct traffic calming measures and we could support the plan with conditions.
Cllr GD proposed the council votes against the plans, EO seconded.
Cllr JH proposed an amendment that the Council accept the plan on the condition the builder includes traffic calming measures up to the latest road safety standards to safeguard residents in Swallows Meadow.
Seconded by Cllr GH - Amendment was carried by majority to support the planning application.

Agenda 109: Attendance at meetings

1. 4/10/16 Cllr GD/Cllr JH at OVW (One Voice Wales) - Montgomeryshire Area Committee meeting.
 - i. OVW is inviting a Post Office spokesperson to next or subsequent meeting
 - ii. Best kept village won by Berriew, special mention for Castle Caereinion
 - iii. Controversy re paperless planning details to councils continues
 - iv. Mark Drakeford (Welsh minister for Local Govt) has recognised OVW as a worthy advisory body
 - v. Memorials – refurbishment taking place all over Powys
 - vi. Training available for community councils via OVW
 - vii. Standing Orders issued approx. a year ago demand more regular audits with increasing expense
 - viii. Proposed new parliamentary boundaries, available for viewing on boundary commission website.

Agenda 110: Any other business

1. P2016/0998 proposed erection of extensions at The Meadows, Cyfronydd, Welshpool. Plans show a porch covering, therefore a straightforward change to an existing property. Cllr GH proposed we support the application, seconded by Cllr GD, carried unanimously
2. Trust meeting Thursday 27th October Cllr NB attending to report back next meeting
3. Cllr GD reported the road is deteriorating at the Dolarddyn turn

Agenda 111: Date of next meeting

Tuesday November 22nd 2016 at 7.30pm

Meeting closed at: 8.35pm

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