Minutes - Castle Caereinion Community Council

Agenda	Date: Aug 28th, 2024 - 7.30pm Venue: Castle Caereinion Community Centre	
Participants		**Apologies**
Chairman: Cllr Nigel Bowen (NB) **Clerk**: Lucy Mason (LM)	Cllr Clive Jones (CJ); Cllr Gary Human (GH); Cllr Paul Roberts (PR); Cllr Kate Hamer (KH); Cllr Robert Nash (RN); Cllr Adrian Jones (AJ)	Cllr Carys Evans (CE); Cllr Daniel Ellis (DE)

Agenda 53: Ten minutes for members of the public: A member of the public attended to raise the question of responsibility for cutting the hedges for those properties alongside Henrhyd Lane. Cllr RN suggested that the deeds for the houses be the first place to check as the question over the boundary can often be resolved, the resident will write to PCC Planning for clarification, Cllr KH will supply the name of a local hedge brusher, should the resident require one.

Agenda 54: Declarations of interest: None declared

Agenda 55: Minutes of previous meeting: Agreed as a true record of the meeting, proposed Cllr PR, seconded Cllr CJ with all in favour.

Agenda 56: Matters arising

1. Defibrillator – Clerk confirms site checks are up to date.
2. Phone Box and bench – Cllr NB updated the council with news that Jerman's will be coming to look at the base for the phone box in the following weeks, Cllr NB will also ask them to look at the unkept area at Swallows Field.
3. Unkept area at Swallows Field – See point 3 above.
4. Multi Location meetings – Clerk continues to implement.

Agenda 57: Playground

Repair to swing undertaken by GLM Services – see request for payment

Agenda 58: Finance

1. Balance Treasurers Account £7906.00, Balance of Playground £1093.43
2. Expenditure for Approval from Treasurers Account:
   Clerk wages Aug 2024 £300.00 Cheque 658
   HMRC Aug 2024 £75.00 Cheque 659
   GLM Services £60.00 Cheque 660
   Cadwallader & Co - Internal Audit £66.00 Cheque 661
   Audit Wales – 22/23 Audit £470.75 Cheque 662
   Castle Caereinion Recreation Association - £1500.00 + Castle News £300.00 = £1800.00 Cheque 663
   Castle Caereinion Church - £500.00 Cheque 664 (Cllr RN declared an exemption of proposal as Treasurer)
   All requests for payment proposed Cllr GH, seconded Cllr PR with all in favour except for Cllr RN for Chq 664

Agenda 59: Highway Matters

To discuss any update of the following reported issues:

1. Highway Drains
2. Manhole Cover in between traffic calming
3. Dolarddyn Loose Utility Manhole

Clerk has continued to chase all 3 matters and informed the Council that Dave Gardner at PCC is on Annual Leave until the 2nd Sep.

Cllr NB questioned whether the ditch by Chapel House and any subsequent flooding will soon be problematic with winter on the way and requested Clerk and Cllr AJ to continue to chase. Cllr CJ raised the question whether the existing drains are fit for purpose and proposed a letter to be sent to PCC before the next Quarterly meeting (4th Sept) Cllr AJ will supply any contact names to the Clerk.

Agenda 60: PCC planning notices

To discuss the following 2 planning applications:

Application Reference: 24/1032/FUL Grid Reference: E:316330 N: 305566 Proposal: Erection of 3 no terraced dwellings to replace 1 no dwelling (approved under 22/0030/RES & 18/0395/OUT) and all associated works Site Address: Tynllan Farm , Castle Caereinion, Welshpool, SY21 9AL **(21 days to comment expires 28th Aug)**

The council discussed this application and decided not to support the application, Proposed Cllr RN, seconded Cllr CJ, with all in favour.

The main reasons are as follows:

1. Existing Resident raising an objection on the basis that the original plan would be more in keeping with this particular specific area.
2. See Access & Movement 8.2, The Council would like to point out that Castle Caereinion does not have a Shop, or Chapel.
3. The Council would also like to point out that 8.3 'Good connectivity to other large towns with a prosperous school', along with 12.2 Social Context 'The development will provide more children for the primary school in Llanfair Caereinion'. This statement is misleading
4. On the basis of Sustainability and any Flood risk The Council note the comment from PCC Land Drainage and quote 'Having reviewed the information provided by the applicant, the SAB deem the surface water drainage strategy (SWDS) fundamentally flawed'.
   The Community Council is aware of the sewerage system being near capacity and therefore the need to ensure that no surface run off enters the system is imperative before planning permission is granted.
5. The Council would like to point out that small applications such as this one are getting through the system but the existing problems reported by the Council are not being dealt with, for example, the drains within the village have been blocked for some time, causing extensive flooding to the roads and residential houses, and despite repeated requests to PCC the drains are still blocked. The Council have recently supplied feedback regarding the existing bus service which isn't as reliable as it used to be and yet the village continues to grow.

Application Reference: 24/1065/HH Grid Reference: E:315306 N: 308251 Proposal: Erection of a New Glass House and Single-Storey Extension Site Address: Upper Gelli, Golfa, Welshpool, Powys SY21 9BB

The Council discussed this and decided to support the application. Proposed Cllr CJ, seconded Cllr RN, with all in favour.

Agenda 61: **Correspondence (emailed to Councillors)**

1. Powys Planning Decision Notices
2. One Voice Wales - News Bulletins, training sessions and updates - Innovative Practice Conference 2024 Wed 16th Oct Royal Welsh Showground, Planned Changes to the use of Powys Community Hospitals
3. Play Wales - e-bulletins
4. Powys CHC newsletter & updates
5. NHS updates - bulletins
6. Corporate communications – Powys County council
7. PCC notice of meetings: Quarterly PCC & Towns Council meeting - Wed 4 Sept 2024 6pm – 7:30pm
8. Citizens Advice Powys update – Trustee recruitment
9. Dyfed-Powys Police – Police and Crime Bulletin/Neighbourhood watch
10. One Voice Wales – Feedback request for biodiversity/Free Garden packages/Community led green spaces
11. Powys County Council Replacement Local Development Plan (2022-2037) - Notice of Revised Delivery Agreement
12. Russell George Newsletter
13. Shrewsbury & Telford hospitals
14. Powys Training Health Board
15. Welshpool, Llanfair and Montgomery Locality Network meeting – Wed 18th Sept 10.30-12 via Google meet
16. Montgomery Locality Meeting – 18th Sept 10.30 via Google meet
17. Llanfair Caereinion and district Police liaison - Sept (date tbc)
18. One Voice Wales – The 6 month rule for Councillors
19. One Voice Wales – Save a Life – Clerk to register onto the Circuit
20. One Voice Wales – 6 Powers and Policies

Agenda 62: Attendance at Meetings

There were no meetings attended.

Agenda 63: Update from County Councillor

Cllr AJ updated the Council regarding future training available from the planning department, there will be training online for planning applications and the Clerk will be notified in due course.
Cllr AJ asked if there was anything to report regarding any crime in the village, the Council have nothing to report at this time.

Agenda 64: **Any other business**

Clerk is requested to check the conditions of planning for No3 The Row to check any plans regarding the existing Notice Board.
Cllr CJ requested the Clerk to report the overgrown hedges and verges up the road from the railway into the village. They are so overgrown making the road unsafe for pedestrians and often forcing cars more towards the centre of the road. Clerk to report and request the hedges to be brushed asap to avoid any further problems.
Cllr GH reported the hedge at the Finger Post, the road towards Welshpool needs cutting as visibility is restricted, Clerk to report.

Agenda 65: Date of next meeting

Next meeting Wednesday Sept 25th, 2024 at 7.30pm (Advance apologies received from Cllr RN)

Meeting closed: 20.02