Castle Caereinion Community Council
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Draft Minutes	**Date: 24th June 2026 - 7.00pm** **Venue: Castle Caereinion Community Centre** **To join this meeting via Teams:** Community Council | Microsoft Teams | Meet-up-Join Meeting ID: 931 798 291 206 4 Passcode: vD2zV2	
Participants		**Apologies**
Chairman: Cllr Nigel Bowen (NB) **Clerk**: Lucy Mason (LM)	Cllr Clive Jones (CJ); Cllr Gary Human (GH); Cllr Paul Roberts (PR); Cllr Robert Nash (RN); Cllr Darren Oakley (DO)	Cllr Tim Robinson (TR)
Also, in Attendance	County Councillor A. Jones (AJ)	

Agenda 26: Ten minutes for members of the public: None present
Agenda 27: Declarations of interest: None declared
Agenda 28: To approve and sign the Minutes of the Annual and Ordinary Business meeting 27th May 2026, Agreed as a true record of the meeting. Proposed Cllr PR, seconded Cllr RN, with all in favour.

Agenda 29: Matters arising

1. Defibrillator site check has been completed, next one due 22nd July.
2. The Phone box refurbishment is slowly progressing.
3. Water trough, ideas are welcomed from the Community, a sign by the trough on the day of the fete would be a good start. The well documented folder regarding the trough is being distributed around the Councillors.
4. Replacement bins within the village have had stickers placed to raise awareness that dog waste can go into the general waste section.
5. Annual Report which was distributed around the Councillors was adopted, proposed Cllr GH, seconded Cllr CJ. Clerk to upload onto the website.
6. One Voice Wales Cost of Living small grant scheme was discussed, the Clerk suggested a Community Consultation Engagement Day at the hall with refreshments available. Clerk is asked to apply for the grant.
7. Road Safety Community Grant Fund, as there has been concern over speeding within the village, it was suggested to look into purchasing a speed indictor sign with the grant. The first thing is to consult highways to seek approval, the Clerk is asked to email Chris Lloyd at PCC Highways.

Agenda 30: Playground

Nothing to report.

Agenda 31: Finance

1. Balance Treasurers Account £11814.38
   Balance of Playground £1108.67
2. Expenditure for Approval from Treasurers Account:
   Clerk wages June 2026 £340.00
   HMRC PAYE June 2026 £85.00
   For Info:
   Bank Charges £4.25
   Balance after expenditure £11385.13
   All requests for payment approved, proposed Cllr GH, seconded Cllr DO, with all in favour.
3. Accounts and Annual Return for the Year Ended 31st March 2026 were presented and approved, proposed Cllr GH, seconded Cllr DO with all in favour.

Agenda 32: Highway Matters

To discuss any update of the following reported issues:
1. Highway Drains/Flooding at Chapel House
2. Drainage on Cwm Lane
3. Condition of the B4385, the entire road to the Welshpool Junction
4. Condition of the road, to the first cattle grid, towards Welshpool Golf Club.

The Council discussed recent patch up repair work around the village and thought that the work hadn't been completed to a good standard, some potholes have been left unrepaired and some not smoothed down flat. Because the highway matters have remained on the agenda for some time, Cllr RN suggested that The Council might invite a member of highways to come and discuss our concerns at a future meeting. County Councillor suggested that Lyn Parry would be the appropriate person, The Clerk is asked to invite Lyn to a future meeting.

Agenda 33: PCC planning notices

Urgent Business
The Clerk had circulated details of a planning application received after notification of the meeting and publication of the agenda. The Council was required to respond to the application within 21 days which would expire before the date of the next meeting:

Application Reference: P/26/0383/FUL
Proposal: Erection of agricultural building and associated works
Location: BRYN HYFRYD, CASTLE CAEREINION, WELSHPOOL, SY21 9EX

The plans had been viewed by all members and The Council resolved to raise no objection to this application.

Agenda 34: Correspondence

1. Powys Planning Decision Notices; No more notices will be sent. Decision notices are on the Powys Planning website for viewing.
2. One Voice Wales - News Bulletins, training sessions, £500 grant for Cost of Living Crisis Project Small Grants Scheme
3. Play Wales - e-bulletins
4. PAVO – Montgomeryshire Family Crisis Centre - autumn courses
5. Powys teaching health board; Better Together and Views of the draft Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment
6. Russell George Newsletter and update
7. Welshpool, Llanfair & Montgomery Locality Network
8. Montgomeryshire Area Committee meeting minutes 21/4/26
9. Dyfed-Powys Police and Crime Commissioner – Monthly update and Road Safety Community Grant Fund
10. Invitation from Chair of Powys County Council - Royal Welsh Show
11. Democracy and Boundary Commission Cymru (DBCC) - Research to explore attitudes and perceptions of Town and Community Councillors

Agenda 35: Attendance at Meetings

None attended.

Agenda 36: Update from County Councillor
– With the recent news of school cyber attacks, the council might consider cyber security training. The Clerk is asked to look into training available for Councillors. – The Future Powys Active Travel Consultation is open until 31st August. The 11 draft Active Travel Network Maps are available to view at https://www.haveyoursaypowys.wales/powys-active-travel – A new Powys Council farm estate policy that will see tenancies double in length has been backed by the Powys County Council's cabinet, The new policy will see farm tenancies extended from eight years to 15.

Agenda 37: Items for future Agenda
– Cllr RN raised a complaint received from residents that the entrance to the Community Centre Carpark, there is a very overgrown hedge with brambles, belonging to the house opposite which is obstructing walking along the footpath and causing pedestrians to walk along the road. The Council will write to the householder if the problem persists. – Cllr CJ has received a report from a resident that the Community walk needs strimming in places.

Agenda 38: Date of next meeting
Next meeting Wednesday 22nd July 2026 at 7pm, Meeting closed: 19.40