Castle Caereinion Community Council
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Draft Minutes	**Date: 27th May 2026 - 7.00pm** **Venue: Castle Caereinion Community Centre** **DUE TO TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES THE FACILITY FOR TEAMS WAS UNAVAILABLE**

Participants		**Apologies**
Chairman: Cllr Nigel Bowen (NB) **Clerk**: Lucy Mason (LM)	Cllr Clive Jones (CJ); Cllr Gary Human (GH); Cllr Kate Hamer (KH); Cllr Paul Roberts (PR); Cllr Robert Nash (RN); Cllr Tim Robinson (TR)	Cllr Darren Oakley (DO)
Also, in Attendance	County Councillor A. Jones (AJ)	

Agenda 13: Ten minutes for members of the public: None present
Agenda 14: Declarations of interest: None declared
Agenda 15: Minutes of previous meeting: Agreed as a true record of the meeting. Proposed Cllr GH, seconded Cllr CJ, with all in favour.

Agenda 16: Matters arising

1. Defibrillator - Site checks up to date, next one due 24th June.
2. Phone Box refurbishment - The refurbishment is progressing.
3. Water Trough – As it is unlikely that water is still flowing through the trough, the Council would like ideas towards a future project for the area and will be consulting with the Community in the months ahead.
4. Replacement Bins within the village – New larger bins have been installed, and the old ones are due to be collected. The new bins have 2 sections, one for recycling and one for general waste which includes the disposal of dog waste. The Clerk will ask PCC for some stickers to ensure that the public are aware that dog waste can go into the litter section.
5. Footpath at Swallows Meadow – The path has been laid and is looking good.
6. Annual Report – The Clerk reports that following a recent training course that an annual report is essential for Community Councils. The Clerk will begin working on one for approval in the coming months.

Agenda 17: Playground

Nothing to report

Agenda 18: Finance

1. Balance Treasurers Account £14245.15
   Balance of Playground £1108.23
2. Expenditure for Approval from Treasurers Account:
   Clerk wages May 2026 £340.00
   HMRC PAYE May 2026 £85.00
   Zurich Insurance for the year to 31/5/27 £334.85
   GLM Services £1666.67 Invoice 1 of 3
   For Info:
   Bank Charges £4.25
   Balance after expenditure £11814.38
   All requests for payment approved, proposed Cllr CJ, seconded Cllr PR, with all in favour.

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Agenda 19: 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.
5. There has been no reply received from Lyn Parry, Senior Manager Operations at PCC regarding any update of the reported issues, the Clerk will continue to chase.
6. Cllr NB requested to meet the surveyor next time that they are in the village. The reply from Jake Evans, Highway Inspector, the reply is that: 'The B4385 is on a 3-month inspection with the next one scheduled for July. Coppice Lane and Cwm Lane are on a 12 month with the next ones in March 27. The housing estates are mostly in March, some being 12 month and some being 24 months so 03/27 and 03/28 respectively, however, happy to meet whenever, it doesn't need to be scheduled inspection month'
   A meeting with Jake Evans is to be arranged.

Agenda 20: PCC planning notices

No applications to consider.

Agenda 21: Correspondence

1. Powys Planning Decision Notices; 16th March – 17th April
2. One Voice Wales - News Bulletins, training sessions including free places and updates, National Conference invitation.
3. Play Wales - e-bulletins
4. PAVO – Local Growth Fund, Health & Wellbeing
5. Powys teaching health board; Better Together
6. Russell George Newsletter and update
7. Welshpool, Llanfair & Montgomery Locality Network – minutes of meeting held 9/4/26
8. 2026 Annual RoSPA Fixed Playground Inspection Application - Clerk to return.
9. Montgomeryshire Area Committee meeting minutes 21/4/26
10. Councillor Jeremy Pugh (PCC) - Powys landlords invited to new forum offering clear guidance on major housing changes

Agenda 22: Attendance at Meetings

- Cllr GH has attended the latest Burgess Land Trust meeting; posters will be available shortly detailing how to apply for the grant.
- Cllr PR has attended the Recreation Association AGM; there was no change to the existing Committee members and plans are pushing on with the Summer Fete. The heating system in the hall is currently being upgraded and the gas line from the old school has been disconnected to change the supply to oil.

Agenda 23: Update from County Councillor

- There is road work planned for the B4385
- There have been lots of complaints regarding missed refuse collections, staffing problems and issues with the routes have led to more missed collections. Residents are advised that if a collection has not taken place by 5pm, they should check the online bin day checker for updates on when they will return.

Agenda 24: Any other business

Nothing to report.

Agenda 25: Date of next meeting

Next meeting Wednesday 24th June 2026 at 7pm, Meeting closed: 19.36