Minutes- Castle Caereinion Community Council

[i]Agenda	Date: Aug 30th 2023 - 7.30pm Venue: Castle Caereinion Community Centre

Participants		Apologies
Acting Chairman: Cllr Gary Human (GH) **Clerk**: Lucy Mason (LM)	Cllr Clive Jones (CJ); Cllr Carys Evans (CE); Cllr Kate Pierce (KP); Cllr Adrian Jones (AJ); Cllr Robert Nash (RN)	Cllr Nigel Bowen (NB) Cllr Caroline Carey (CC) Cllr Paul Roberts (PR)

Agenda 53: Ten minutes for members of the public: None

Agenda 54: Declarations of interest: None

Agenda 55: Minutes of previous meeting: Agreed as a true record of the meeting, proposed Cllr CE, seconded Cllr CJ, at this point in the meeting Cllr CJ brought up items that were omitted from the agenda. Castle News, Barn Farm and Weeds in the village. These items have been added to matters arising.

Agenda 56: Matters arising

1. Defibrillator update – Site reports completed and uploaded. Clerk still needs to order the additional pads. It was agreed The Clerk to go ahead and obtain some dates for a training session, Clerk to speak to Joan and the Council will then look to advertise the training session available to the community.
2. Website update – Cllr KP reported that a new website could be costly to the council and before we look into that requested access to the existing website for further investigation. Clerk to provide the admin log on to Cllr KP
3. Community Speed Watch – No more interest received.
4. Community Trail – Cllr AJ has chased again, with it being summer there are a lot of staff at PCC on annual holidays but will continue to chase and provide any updates to the Clerk.
5. Highway Drains – Cllr AJ updated the council with news from Jacqui that she hoped the Jetter works would be completed by the end of August, the road sweeping programme is underway and scheduled for August.
6. Weed spraying – Also from Jacqui via Cllr AJ was to say that spraying is done on an ad-hoc basis, but she will produce a works ticket and expected the work to be undertaken shortly. It was now thought that this work appears to be done but if not, The Clerk should chase.
7. Castle News – Cllr CJ asked the Clerk to update the Council with a follow up to previous discussions regarding the following:
   A. A suitable place for the Newsletter. It was discussed in the previous meeting whether the old phone box would be suitable, The Clerk did investigate and thought it did not look appealing and thought more towards a place alongside the Defibrillator, Cllr KP suggested The Clerk look at ukpos.com for a suitable waterproof container, Clerk will ask Joan at The Red Lion first.
   B. Website version. It was also discussed whether the Newsletter be made available and uploaded onto the Castle Caereinion Website. Clerk to make further enquiries.
8. Barn Farm – During July's meeting Cllr GH reported a loose manhole cover above Barn Farm and although it was thought to be out of the Council's area The Clerk is requested to confirm and report if applicable.

Agenda 57: Playground

1. Clerk has confirmed with Harrisons that the community council is happy to proceed on the basis of a 10-year lease of the playground but with the Landlord or Tenant both having the ability to terminate at the end of year 5. Awaiting paperwork from PCC.

Agenda 58: Finance

1. Balance Treasurers Account £4459.76, Playground £1078.96 .
2. Clerk wages and PAYE Aug 2023 £280.00, Chq 000619, HMRC PAYE £70.00 Chq 000620. Proposed Cllr GH, seconded Cllr CJ, All in favour
3. Clerk reported that after the Agenda was prepared the Vat refund £1387.30 for the financial year 21/22 had been claimed and received 10/8/23, Clerk will now apply for any refund for the year 22/23.
4. Clerk requested if the cheque for the Recreation Association could be raised, Cllr CE also reminded The Clerk to issue cheques for Castle News and The Church.

Agenda 59: Highway Matters

To discuss any update of the following reported issues:

1. Cwm Lane Sign – The sign remains at the depot, Clerk to chase again.
2. Little Cwm Lane/Maesgarmon Close – The patch up work has been done at Little Cwm Lane, Clerk to ask resident if works to Maesgarmon have been completed.

Agenda 60: PCC planning notices

To discuss the following application received:
Application Reference: 23/1207/FUL Grid Reference: E:316424 N: 305491 Proposal: Conversion of ground floor shop to form 1 residential dwelling, together with single story extension and associated works Site Address: Post Office House, Cwm Lane, Castle Caereinion, Welshpool SY21 9AL.
The Council discussed the details and decided to support the application.

Agenda 61: Correspondence

1. Powys Planning Decision Notices
2. One Voice Wales - News Bulletins
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 & Town Council meeting postponed until further notice
8. Citizens Advice Powys updates
9. PCC annual ROSPA report
10. PAVO – Making a difference in Powys Fund; email forwarded to United Charities

Agenda 62: Attendance at Meetings

None

Agenda 63: Update from County Councillor

Cllr AJ updated the council that interviews for the CEO position at PCC will be held in Oct for candidates short listed. In further news, Nigel Brinn, executive director for Economy and Environment will also be leaving Powys County Council and, Jacqui Jones, highways inspector has left, Ian Jerman is her replacement.

Agenda 64: Any other business

Cllr PR emailed the councillors with a reply from CADW regarding the school building.
'We have now completed our assessment of the school building against the listing criteria and, having considered the information available, have concluded that it does not meet the high standard needed to be listed at the national level. Therefore, it is not proposed for listing'.

In absence of Cllr PR, Cllr RN asked for the matter to be discussed, Cllr AJ offered to make enquiries and will update the council with any information regarding similar situations where a school closes and what happened to the school building.

Agenda 65: Date of next meeting

Next meeting: Wednesday 27th Sept at 7.30pm

Meeting closed at: 8.10