Minutes - Castle Caereinion Community Council

Minutes	Date: Oct 25th 2023 - 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 Robert Nash (RN) Cllr Carys Evans (CE) Cllr Caroline Carey (CC) Cllr Kate Pierce (KP) Cllr Adrian Jones (AJ)

Agenda 79: Ten minutes for members of the public: None

Agenda 80: Declarations of interest: None

Agenda 81: Minutes of previous meeting: Agreed as a true record of the meeting, proposed Cllr PR, seconded Cllr GH

Agenda 82: Matters arising

1. Defibrillator – Clerk confirms site checks completed, training at the Red Lion Nov 6th at 7pm confirmed and published in Castle News and to Community Facebook
2. Website – C'F
3. Community Speed Watch – To discuss the potential mannequin to deter speeding through the village. C'F to discuss when more Cllr's in attendance.
4. Community Trail – Calum Carr has replied apologising for lack of response. He intends to organise works to install steps as part of the 'Volunteer Programme' with the intention that it will be done before Christmas. He will be in touch once a date is set – Clerk to continue to chase.
5. Castle news/Phone Box – Thoughts for where the phone box to be re-sited. C'F to discuss when more Cllr's in attendance.
6. Email to Portfolio Holder Peter Roberts – Clerk updated the Cllr's that an email had been received that day stating that a reply would be sent in the days ahead – Clerk to chase if not received.
7. Gardening Club – The Club has written to the Council asking for a grant to help towards their running costs. The Council discussed the matter, Clerk to write to the Club to advise that the Council issues Grants to those applied for in the Precept and that more awareness of the Club in the form of advertising would be the suggestion, for example on the Community Social media page.
8. School building – Any updates to be discussed at the next Recreation meeting, Cllr NB thanked Cllr PR for all his ongoing help with this matter.

Agenda 83: 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 84: Finance

1. Balance Treasurers Account £9848.62, Playground £1080.77
2. Clerk wages and PAYE Oct 2023 £280.00, Chq 000628, HMRC PAYE £70.00 Chq 000629
3. Additional expenses presented for approval:
   GLM Services £1530.00 Chq 000627 - All payment requests were Proposed by Cllr GH and seconded Cllr CJ, All in favour
4. Financial update – The Clerk presented the budget for the quarter ended 30/9/23.

Agenda 85: Highway Matters

To discuss any update of the following reported issues:

1. Cwm Lane Sign – Clerk to continue to chase Ian Jerman
2. Maesgarmon Close – Clerk to continue to chase Ian Jerman
3. Highway Drains – During the bad weather Kevin Roberts helped clear the blocked Culverts around the village, his help and assistance is very much appreciated. Chapel House Culvert has been reported several times to PCC throughout the flood, Clerk to report to PCC from the Council. A member of the public has reported that the Stream at the back of the Village Hall field needs clearing on a regular basis and some help would be appreciated, Clerk to action. Cllr NB reported that the Catchpits at Nantforth are blocked, Clerk to report to PCC.
4. Pen Y Brynn – A works order has been raised to secure the cover.
5. Streetlights – None to be reported to PCC.
6. Weed Spraying and Grass Verge cutting – Completed.
7. Kevin Roberts has reported to Cllr PR that there is an overhanging dead Ash tree on the road just before the railway crossing on the back road to Llanfair – Clerk to report to PCC/Landowner.

Agenda 86: PCC planning notices

None

Agenda 87: 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 scheduled for Wed 22nd Nov 6-7.30pm
8. Citizens Advice Powys updates
9. PCC annual ROSPA report

Agenda 88: Attendance at Meetings

Cllr GH attended the meeting at Burgesses Land Trust. Clerk has received a poster to promote the scheme and will organise appropriate distribution. Cllr NB asked Clerk to forward details onto United Charities.

Cllr CJ attended the PAVO Funding Fair where representatives shared news of ongoing schemes available.
Hafren Dyfrdwy - Eligible charities and organisations can apply to be considered for a restricted grant of between £2,000 - £10,000 for 1 year to help them and our communities get through this very challenging time.
Sport Wales – To be Active Wales Fund offers grants from £300 - £50000 to sports clubs and community organisations to support projects, 'A Place For Sport' offers clubs a great opportunity to engage with their community and raise money. If clubs or community organisations can raise money towards a targeted goal, Sport Wales will pledge funds up to 50% towards the given project.
The National Lottery – Groups and Communities can apply for funding under or over £10000 depending on their needs, sometimes available to continue a successful project. Advisable during the application stage to seek help from a professional to ensure the correct application is submitted, with the cost of the fee added to the funding amount.

Agenda 89: Update from County Councillor

Apologies received

Agenda 90: Any other business

Agenda 91: Date of next meeting
Next meeting: Wednesday 29th Nov at 7.30pm Meeting closed at: 8.10