Castle Caereinion Community Council.
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Minutes	**Date: 24th September 2025 - 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 Kate Hamer (KH)
Also, in Attendance		County Councillor A. Jones (AJ)

Agenda 66: Ten minutes for members of the public: None present
Agenda 67: Declarations of interest: None declared
Agenda 68: Minutes of previous meeting: Agreed as a true record of the meeting, Proposed Cllr CJ, seconded Cllr PR, with all in favour.

Agenda 69: Matters arising

1. Defibrillator – Replacement pads have been received.
2. Phone Box - The phone box needs refurbishment which is very expensive if a company were to do the work. It is envisaged that the job can be completed with a working group of volunteers with the correct materials and safety equipment provided by the Council.
3. Unkept area at Swallows Field – Several willing volunteers have contacted the Clerk, a date to be arranged when all are available.
4. Anti-Poverty Grant/Maesgarmon Garages site – Still awaiting to hear if any of the garages are vacant and whether the Council could use one for storage before any purchases made.
5. New Bench – Confirmation of the order has been received, awaiting delivery.
6. Water Trough – Awaiting mini-digger when one becomes available.
7. Plots 1-18, Land at Tynllan Farm', To note the reply that the suggested name by the Community Council being 'Tynllan Court' to be addressed as 'Llys Tynllan' as the developer supports the site to be known in Welsh only and not Welsh/English - The developer has since agreed for the bilingual name 'Llys Tynllan/Tynllan Court'
8. Councillor Vacancy – Notification from PCC that no requests for an election were received, therefore Clerk to publish the vacancy within the Community.
9. Replacement Bins within the village – There is a process to follow for removal and disposal. Bins do need to meet certain criteria for approval for inclusion for collection on route, Clerk to take this forward.

Agenda 70: Playground

Nothing to report

Agenda 71: Finance

1. Balance Treasurers Account £15835.36 (Includes £2500 Grant, actual balance £13335.36)
   Balance of Playground £1104.14
2. Expenditure for Approval from Treasurers Account:
   Clerk wages Sept 2025 £320.00
   HMRC PAYE Sept 2025 £80.00
   Clerk Expenses (Replacement Pads for Defib) £89.94
   For Info: Bank Charges £4.25
   Balance after expenditure £12841.17 (Excluding £2500 Grant)
   Bank Statement provided for verification purchases, all requests for payment approved, proposed Cllr CJ, seconded Cllr RN, with all in favour.

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Agenda 72: Highway Matters

To discuss any update of the following reported issues:

1. Highway Drains/Flooding at Chapel House – The Council has been advised that steps were being taken to obtain a solution to the drainage problems with the owners of affected property. Discussions are ongoing.
2. Gelli Lane Sign – To note the reply from PCC that the sign is yet to be ordered as the previous run of signs has not yet been installed.
3. Drainage on Cwm Lane Report ref: 6722-1299-7826-9403 – To note the response from PCC that 'Drain tops have been recently cleared and there are works planned to empty and jet system. No timescale on this.'
4. Pothole/damage to surface road on the left toward the Castle Caereinion: 4396-1474-1464-0072 - To note the response from PCC that 'Highways staff are currently working on surface dressing patching work, once completed they will review the programmed jobs and work towards completing in priority order.
5. Coppice Lane 20mph speed limit signs – to note the reply from PCC following a site visit that the closest point specified within the order would be a point close to where the now faded 30mph speed limit roundel was previously.
   The Council would like to ask if the sign could be erected by the entrance to 'Little Cwm.' The reply from PCC is that 'We need to place the signs as close as is practicably possible to the point where the Traffic Order defines the start of the speed limit to make that speed limit enforceable. As there is sufficient verge width closer to the point specified in the Order the Little Cwm access would be too far away.'

Agenda 73: PCC planning notices

No Applications received.

Agenda 74: Correspondence (emailed to Councillors)

1. Powys Planning Decision Notices; 4th Aug – 22nd August and 25th Aug – 5th Sept
2. One Voice Wales - News Bulletins, training sessions, and updates
3. Play Wales - e-bulletins
4. Powys teaching health board; Better Together
5. Russell George Newsletter
6. LDP Notification of Consultation - Meeting Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Needs
7. Removal of kiosks and telephony in Powys
   The phone box located opposite the old shop did not appear on the list; The Council has expressed an interest in adopting the kiosk, but the reply is that it is not available for adoption at this time.
8. Welshpool, Llanfair & Montgomery Locality Network - Minutes of meeting 4th September
9. Dyfed-Powys Police Headquarters Open Door Events – Invitation to attend 22/10 15.30-20.00, 23/10 15.30-20.00

Agenda 75: Attendance at Meetings

Cllr CJ attended the Welshpool, Llanfair & Montgomery, and Surrounding Areas Locality Network Meeting. The meeting was well attended, some of which included representatives from;
Gypsies & Travellers Wales – PCC is searching for a new location for a site; there are 6 possible locations and suggestions have been asked for.
Care and Repair – Engaging with the public, free home checks to identify fall hazards and to offer advice.
Mid and North Powys MIND – offering one to one support for those aged 11-15 through Newtown college, also referrals for young people out of college.
RNID – Monthly drop-ins across Powys supporting hearing loss/hearing and maintenance.
Hafren Dyfrdwy – Support in the Community events took place earlier in the year, returning 9th October at The Town Hall in The Corn Exchange. Future events will be shared with the network.
PtHB – The dates for the next round of consultations on Adult Physical and Mental Community services will be:
Welshpool – 9th December at The Corn Exchange
Llanfair Caereinion – 6th January at The Institute

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Agenda 76: Update from County Councillor
Apologies received

Agenda 77: Any other business
Cllr CJ reported that Station bank needs cutting, Clerk to action. Cllr RN reported that the bus timetable has been revised and suggested the timetable be shared on social media for awareness. Clerk to action.

Agenda 78: Date of next meeting
Next meeting Wednesday 29th October 2025 at 7pm. Meeting closed: 19.40