



Llangattock Community Council

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Minutes of the Council Meeting held at the Community Hall on Tuesday 19th December at 7.00 pm.

Public Participation.

Present

Cllr. R. Jones (Chairman), Cllr J. Dobbs, Cllr A. Williams, Cllr G. Dobbs and C Cllr J. Charlton

In Attendance

4 members of the public
S Dale (Job Share Clerk)

Welcome

271/17	Apologies for absence	None
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272/17	Members' declarations of interest	Cllr R. Jones declared a personal interest in item 277/17.
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273/17	Minutes	From the council meeting of the 21st November 2017.
Approved with some minor amendments.		

274/17	Matters Arising – for information only	
254/17 Gates in Glebe field of the 8 only 3 need replacement, Plas cottages, cemetery and the entrance to the field. A questionnaire may be necessary. Two posts in Glebe Field need replacing.		
254/17 The zip wire, steel feet for the structure may cost £1000, the community council may have to fund raise to cover the additional cost. Clerk to bring the original quote to the January meeting.		
254/17 Cemetery maintenance, there have been some very positive remarks made about the cemetery, that is is beautiful and very tidy. Positive comments should be recorded as well as more negative ones.		
268/17 Five council's meeting in January. A new item Llangattock Green Valleys have a new project, a new scheme to provide cheaper, local electricity. It will be explained to the		

Five Councils' Liaison Committee meeting.

275/17	Planning
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17/15339/FUL – Installation of low profile velux and installation of flat roof lantern light 1200 x 1800 to 16 Beaufort Avenue, Llangattock NP8 1PN. Unanimous support for the application.

276/17	County Councillor's report – for information only
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1. Monthly County Councillor Newsletter are being placed on every noticeboard, The Vine Tree one is still being taken down.
2. Information of Christmas bin collections is on every noticeboard, as well as Twitter, Facebook and Nextdoor.
3. Powys Gritters did a fantastic job last week in the snow, but it did mean the bins were not collected in the week of the 11th December. The black bins were emptied on Saturday to help and bin collection should be back to normal. The drivers of the Snow Ploughs are the same people who drive the recycling lorries.
4. Powys County Council budget is still not set.
5. Parking, Pedestrian and speeding survey are coming back thick and fast. A report will be circulated to residents via Nextdoor and Facebook in January. If the Community Council would like the report, I'm very happy to provide one to go with the minutes next month.

Headlines from the surveys so far ;

Out of 42 survey 3 have said that speeding is an issue, 21 don't feel safe as a pedestrian, 19 feel the traffic calming is inadequate, 32 say that parking is an issue. In comments, 10 said parking had become an issue since the Horseshoe had re-opened and 8 responses suggested a 20mph limit through the village. Further returns may come in before I complete the report.

I will make some recommendations at the end of the report and will share this with the portfolio holder for Highways and relevant officers of Powys County Council to ask for support in making improvements on the design of traffic calming and pedestrian safety. One of the recommendations will be have 20mph through the village.

277/17	Discuss the complaints received from residents regarding a problem with high hedges and trees.
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The Community Council members were shown pictures of the high hedges and boundary trees:

For the Laurel hedges on the bridge, the property owner should be contacted by the Clerk.

The Community Council has had a complaint about a hedge being outside the legal limit. Evergreen boundary trees in Beaufort Avenue and Plas Derwen, a polite letter should be sent by the Clerk to point out that these trees should be no higher than 2m.

278/17	Agree and sign the Standing Orders.
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Standing Orders were approved unanimously and signed.
 Proposer: County Councillor J Charlton. Seconder: Councillor G Dobbs.

279/17	To discuss the proposed commemoration bench policy and vote to accept if deemed appropriate.
Approved subject to amendments.	

280/17	To discuss and approve the further application from a resident regarding a bench siting in Glebe Field.
The Community Council resolved to visit the proposed site as it is very close to the existing bench. A comment was made about the need to encourage pedestrians to stay on the path in the Glebe Field. Further comment was made about fundraising to replace dilapidated benches with plastic ones.	

281/17	To discuss and vote on the co-option of applicants received in Nov 2017.
RESOLVED: A new Community Councillor was approved – Gill Parsons. One Voice Wales runs courses relevant for induction. At the moment there is little to encourage residents to step forward to represent their ward on the Community Council. A further written application may yet be received from another resident.	

282/17	To discuss and decide on the response to the One Voice Wales request for consultation on the Welsh Government's Community and Town Council Review Panel questions.
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What should Community and Town Councils be responsible for? 2. How should they operate? 3. What's standing in their way to deliver for the local community? 4. How do councils ensure they best represent their local community? 	
RESOLVED: Community Councillors prefer to respond individually.	

283/17	To discuss whether to implement a noticeboard policy.
Remove advertising rather than events. There could be a Noticeboard at the Chapel. A dedicated area for the Community Council is required. Items requiring financing should be funded through a lottery bid. Current noticeboards should be photographed.	

284/17	Correspondence
Brecon Beacons 30/11/17 – all wales finalists email	
Powys CPS 29/11/17 – Toilet Rate Rebate	
BBNPA 22/11/17 – Glanusk estate permission email regarding passing places	
Allun Jones Powys 29/11/17 – response to hedge cutting request email	
Ambulance Service Union 02/12/17 – request for donation	
Dyfed Powys Local Resilience Forum 23/11/17 – Contact Information	
Circulated	

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285/17	Finance Statement and cheques to be approved for signing
Finance statement was omitted, to be circulated.	

286/17	Date of Next Meeting
The next meeting of the community council will be Tuesday 16 th January 2018 in Llangattock Community Hall at 7pm.	