



Llangattock Community Council

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Minutes of the Council Meeting held at the Community Hall on Tuesday 12th January at 7.00 pm.

Public Participation.

Mr Andrew Stenko – Owner of the Horseshoe Inn, came to talk about his plans for the pub. He hopes to open for the spring, if not the summer. There will be the pub, possibly a coffee shop with rooms upstairs. Cllrs are pleased to see a business start up. The pub will be a free house with real ale and a basic food offering.

Present

Cllr. R. Jones, Chairman, Cllr A. Fryer, Cllr G Dobbs, Cllr R Thomas, Cllr J. Charlton, Cllr A. Williams, Cllr N Shugar, Cllr S Jones.

In Attendance

A member of the public.
S Dale (Temporary Clerk)

1.Apologies for Absence: Cllr J Dobbs

2/17	Members' declarations of interest	None
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03/17	Minutes	From the meeting of the 17th January 2017
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P4 Change the name Flatley to Fryer.
P5 Remove reference to Cllr R Thomas and Cllr N Shugar writing a letter.
RESOLVED: To approve the minutes, proposer AF and seconded by AW.

04/17	Matters Arising
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The delivery of the new bench is scheduled for 2nd March.

Stones from the graveyard to be removed for £900 – there are 3 or 4 skips worth.

A senior Army Officer and Church Officer will co-ordinate the remembrance day services in the area.

There are signs missing from the Car Park – item for the agenda in February. Send an email to a former clerk to set up a meeting with Cllr R Jones.

The contract for the paths in the cemetery is starting.

Cracks in the Hafod Road and Gilwern Road were omitted from the agenda this month and should be on the agenda for February.

05/17	Report from the County Councillor
No report – Temporary Clerk to ask the County Councillor if there is any progress with Gilwern Road Depot, Hafod Road and the canal.	

06/17	Boundary Commission presentation, committee room at the Neuadd Brychieniog, Brecon, 9th March 2017, for the chairman or representative.
Noted, and Cllr A Williams will attend –Temporary Clerk to inform electoral services.	

07/17	Proposal for an outdoor war memorial and garden for Llangattock. To coincide the the 100 years of remembrance tribute in November 2018.
There is no outdoor monument in Llangattock. There were Somme oaks planted in every parish, but Llangattock's died. Cllrs would like to see a low key memorial – a garden with some benches and perhaps a central design. Acorns from the Somme oak in Crickhowell could feature. Llangattock was a base for the Indian Army and the recreation ground has been used as a start/finish point for expeditions in the area. Adjourned to February meeting.	

8/17	Volunteers are needed to open and close the toilets in the recreation ground. At the moment there are four (including Cllr N Shugar) but it would help if there were more. If you would like more detail please get in touch with the temporary clerk on llangattockcc@gmail.com
The clerk was instructed to put up a sign on the nearby noticeboard and on the website.	

09/17	To receive a report from the Recreation Ground Committee on the next steps.
There was broad discussion, with some concern about the infrastructure (paths and other equipment) of the path emerging. The community council will need planning permission for the zip wire. The application for the “awards for all” grant is all but complete. A community gathering was proposed where the results of the consultation could be fed back and discussed. This may also be a good opportunity to collect volunteers to help construct the the zip wire and join “Friends of the recreation ground”. Other plans to create a cycle track and a skateboard park – Temporary Clerk to put on agenda for the February agenda of the recreation ground committee. Cllr R Jones to seek business sponsorship. Cllrs A Fryer and R Thomas left the meeting at 9.02pm	

10/17	Cemetery rules – to discuss improvements and the grave digger's role and update on maintenance issues
A number of actions have been completed in the cemetery, the new compost bin, the new taps and water supply, sinking graves, stones being removed, paths being improved. A review of the rules of the cemetery yielded two changes: RESOLVED: That there should be no charge for the burial of stillborn infants. RESOLVED: That the current grave digger should be the sole grave digger or supervisor,	

this is to ensure the grave lots are kept straight, avoiding loss of plots.
 Agenda item next month to examine the pricing structure of the cemetery. Temporary Clerk to compare other cemeteries in the area.

11/17	Llangattock Community Calendar needs populating with events. To be discussed.
Coffee and cake mornings 4 times a year starting 18 th February, could be publicized in the church. Preparations for the AGM – inviting the public in April. Temporary clerk to update the calendar.	

12/17	Finance Training to take place on Wednesday 18th January 2017 at 6.30pm in the community hall.
Noted.	

13/17	Presentation of a suggested reserves risk assessment.
Taken as a starting point – approved.	

14/17	Finance statement and cheques to be approved for signing.		
	Payee	Amount	Notes
	Wales Audit Office	£208.50	Invoice
	Mr A Braithwaite	£180.00	Cleaning
	Temporary Clerk S Dale	£518.13	Maternity leave cover (57hrs * £9.09=£518.13)
The finance statement was approved.			

15/17	The current status of affordable housing in Llangattock following an email from Mr M Phillips.
The advice is to look at the affordable Housing Policy in the National Parks Local Development Plan to see if the proposed development ties in with criteria. The Dardy is not a key settlement, there is a low need for housing but would be classed as open countryside. Suggest the applicant seek pre-application advice with BBNPA. Fees start from £60 for written or site visit. Temporary Clerk to contact the applicant with this advice.	

16/17	Consideration of the stock proof fencing in the Glebe Field.
Item adjourned till next meeting.	

17/17	Report from the finance committee meeting Tuesday 10th January 2017.
Proposed budget and precept were recommended to the Community Council.	

18/16	Presentation of a suggested budget and a suggested precept for consideration and approval.
<p>Items from the risk analysis have been dealt with and their associated risks reduced:</p> <p>a) Document storage, all documents have been catalogued and can be rehoused in more convenient storage. Important documents in a fire-proof box. Costs associated with this are to be put before the next finance committee. The risk has now been reduced to 2.</p> <p>b) Glebe field – tree maintenance needs to be looked at when in full leaf by the Park Ranger. - self closing gates are the national standard for footpaths now. Temporary Clerk to write to the Wardens and ask about self closing gate mechanisms and how to fix stone walls. - responsibility for kissing gate and picnic table maintenance needs to be checked. Overall the risks score was felt to have reduced to 2.</p> <p>c) Toilets, most of the small tasks have been done leaving the recreation ground to deal with the larger task. The next tasks for the finance committee are to improve the cemetery, the allotments and look at staffing and salary. £3533 was moved from estimated expenditure to ring fenced reserves. The budget and precept were then approved. Temporary Clerk to submit the precept demand of £17316 to Powys County Council.</p>	

19/16	Update on the land for parking idea.
<p>Email- Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales are holding discussions about the remuneration framework for Town and Community Councils – there is a discussion in Abergavenny on the 15th February if anyone would like to attend, 10.30am to 12.30am in the St Michael's Centre. NP7 5UD. Cllr J Charlton will attend. Email – Older people's Commissioner for Wales – Newsletter Email – SLCC Conference for Wales Wednesday the 15th March 2017, Cwmbran.</p>	

20/16	Date of next meeting
<p>Full council – Tuesday 21st February 2017 Finance Committee – Tuesday 14th February. Recreation Ground Committee – Tuesday 14th February.</p>	