



Llangattock Community Council
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Minutes of the Council Meeting held at the Community Hall on Tuesday 18th December 2018 at 7.00 pm.

Public Participation: None

Present: Cllr R. Jones (Chairman), Cllr G. Dobbs, Cllr A Williams, Cllr G Parsons and Cllr R. Williams, CClr J. Charlton

In Attendance: K Bailey (Clerk and RFO), and 3 members of the public.

Welcome

226/18	Apologies for absence	Cllr J. Dobbs,
227/18	Members' declarations of interest	None
228/18	Minutes	From the council meeting of the 20th Nov 2018.
<p>RESOLVED: Minutes were approved as a correct and accurate record with the following amendments (Cllr R Jones proposed and Cllr A Williams seconded)</p> <p>211/18 – Llangattock Bridge to Crickhowell Bridge</p> <p>211/18 – Note that Cllr A Williams to remain on as representative to the Education Trust</p> <p>211/18 – Note that the Xmas bunting licence was not being pursued by Cllr R Williams as it was too lengthy and costly</p> <p>219/18 – The resolution should read “To reduce the hours of interments in the Cemetery to no later than 2pm”</p>		
229/18	Matters arising	
<p>211/18 PREVIOUS MATTERS ARISING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recreation Ground trees crown-lifting now approved by Parks Authority, works to begin 29th Dec at Friends of the Recreation Ground meet up • Awaiting the response regarding the Cemetery trees crown-lifting • Friends of the Cemetery – date decision last Saturday of each month starting Dec 29th 2018, posters now on noticeboards and on website and social media • Friends of the Recreation Ground - date decision last Saturday of each month starting Dec 29th 2018 - posters now on noticeboards and on website and social media • Bee Friendly scheme – no update at present • Zip Wire – agenda item in Dec regarding opening • Three spaces are still open for Co-option – no applications to date <p>Cllr J Charlton asked if there were any plans to move this forward in the New Year. Cllr G Parsons stated that two applications were due to be sent to the Council in January</p>		



- Notice boards delivered – Cllr R Jones to report on installation

Cllr Jones reported that he had received one quote for the removal and installation of the old and new boards to the amount of £300. As this was only one quote, he asked the Council if they would like there to be more quotes gathered. A lively discussion was had, and the following decided:

RESOLUTION: To accept the quote, due to timeliness

RESOLUTION: To endeavour to have more than one quote for future works

The Chair requested that all Cllrs with recommendation for small works contractors please send their lists to the Clerk

- Water Fountain test completed – results and certificate in all okay - invoice in Dec agenda
- Flood plan – awaiting feedback from Public Drop In

Cllr J Charlton gave verbal feedback from the meeting. It was well attended by both residents and Powys and the Emergency services. They accept that their planning needed more work. The outcome was to produce an A4 sheet with all the relevant numbers to be called and for this to be given to residents and Councils rather than using the previous plan.

- Education Trust – **Cllr A Williams to remain in her position (as per the discussion in Nov meeting). The Cllr also suggested that this position be placed on the AM agenda in May.**
- Playground equipment – awaiting quote from Rubicon, other play equipment companies are offering to come and quote if we pay
- Quotes for noticeboard (oak) replacement – Cllr Jones

Cllr R Jones requested that the Council consider using plastic posts and framing to cut down on the maintenance. He will source quotes for Jan if Council are amenable.

- Christmas thank you party took place on the 10th Dec – Cllr R Jones to collect money from Cllrs and partners who attended

Cllr G Parsons wondered why the Community Hall Committee were not invited to the party. Cllr R Jones apologised, the Council had been invited to put forward their thoughts on who should attend. He accepted that the Hall Committee probably should have been invited, they can all means be added to the list for 2019.

Overall the party has been enjoyed by those volunteers that did attend.

212/18 – Planning - There are three pods being built, no objections

Cllr G Dobbs stated that there is now what appears to be a septic tank within the SSSI area, can this be confirmed by the Parks Authority.

213/18 – CC report – no matters arising

214/18 – Beechwood and fencing - Awaiting the quote from National Parks Authority regarding fencing



between the Allotment and the Beechwood and the recreation ground and the Beechwood

Cllr J Charlton reported that she has met with Sam Ridge and discussed the fencing issue. Sam was also happy to quote for planting a hedges and fruit trees rather than new fencing to replace the old. Sam would discuss the idea with the Clerk.

215/18 – Precept Report - Agenda item in Dec – draft report 2

216/18 – Woodlands Stone - Reported back to the Woodlands group that Council are happy for them to take some stone from the Cemetery

Cllr J Charlton confirmed that stone had been removed and extended apologies as the removal had left a rut in the grass and there could be some complaints following this.

217/18 – Village Vision – more questionnaires are available from the Clerk. Delivery has begun in the following areas:

- Clos Cal, Plas D, Bottom half of the Village,
- Could Cllrs please confirm which Roads they have delivered to so that the remainder can be dealt with
- Survey Monkey has received 10 questionnaires so far
- 8 other questionnaires have been received in the post or via Cllrs

Cllr G Parsons reported that some residents did not want to take the questionnaire as they were not happy with the Council's performance regarding the Green Bin consultation.

Cllrs R Williams, R Jones, A Williams and J Charlton requested more questionnaires to continue the hand delivery.

218/18 – File destruction - Agenda item in Dec – shredder vs disposal company, decision required on which way to go

219/18 – Cemetery over winter period - Email has been sent to each Funeral Director regarding change to the times (J Tooley, T J Browns and Abergavenny Funeral Care). Agenda item for Jan regarding the other issues (potential draft letter available)

220/18 – Co-option forms – no forms received

221/18 – Village Hall Community Council replacement Cllr representative – The Village Hall committee have thanked us for the update and have the contact details for Cllr G Dobbs

222/18 – Green Waste consultation – The Consultation has now closed, Cllr J Charlton has updates on her Newsletter. LCC have written to Powys regarding requiring six bins to be provided for those that cut Powys controlled areas (copy of email available).

223/18 – Financial statement and cheques – all cheques sent and all electronic transferred completed



Outstanding

- Newspaper article about Dog waste

Cllr A Williams would like this item to be completed soon if possible

- Letter to landowner regarding fencing (postponed until car parking letter resolved)

Other actions:

- Agenda item regarding the overgrown bushes as requested by resident at the last meeting has been placed in Dec

230/18	Planning
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- **18/16920/FUL - Proposal:** "Replace existing flat roof garage with a new flat roof extension. Build a small rear extension for new kitchen and a new entrance porch / lobby on the front. New roof and windows. Remodel interior" **Address:** 19 Beaufort Avenue, Llangattock, Crickhowell NP8 1PN

You can see all applications by going online <http://www.beacons-npa.gov.uk/planning/>

Resolved: No comment

231/18	County Councillor's report – for information only
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Cllr J Charlton gave a verbal report:

- Care
- Level playing field campaign
- Active travel plan
- Brecon Parks Development Plan – Council could consider putting forwards the area next to Park Drive
- Green Waste Consultation

This item was discussed at length with public interaction. Cllr G Parsons felt that the Community Council had not done enough to robustly represent the strong feelings residents felt on the matter. She also stated that the consultation result was irrelevant as a decision had already been made by Powys.

Cllr R Jones stated that the Community Council was the only one that arranged a public meeting on the matter, this took place before the consultation was out. The Community Council also Cllr J Charlton gave an update on the responses to the consultation so far and confirmed that the results were more mixed, with many residents across Powys in favour of the scheme. She confirmed that she is making representations within Powys regarding resident's desires to retain the green bin, but she concluded that the saving within this area would more than likely override this standpoint. Cllrs discussed the need to have an agenda item in Jan to discuss possible solutions at local level to help residents recycle green waste.

RESOLVED: To place an agenda item (Jan) to discuss ways in which the Community Council can provide this service to residents. Clerk tasked with gaining a quote from Thomas Waste management on the issue.

232/18	To receive any Co-Option forms
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No forms received at this time.



232/18	Precept & Budget report (second draft) – to discuss and vote for sign off
<p>The Clerk presented the RFO report with updated items for Dec. The proposed budget is no longer in deficit and the Council noted this change, the precept also no longer needed to be raised by 3%.</p> <p>Cllr A Williams proposed the Council accept the precept amount within the new budget.</p> <p>Resolved: The Council voted unanimously to accept the precept amount as the same as last year of £19,335.00.</p>	
233/18	Discuss opening of the Zip Wire – resolve a date for the diary
<p>Cllr G Parsons suggested that the Landlord of the Horseshoe could be the one to open the zip wire.</p> <p>Cllr R Jones explained that the reason for delaying the opening was to give the grass adequate time to seed.</p> <p>Resolved: For the Council to discuss again in Jan</p>	
234/18	Discuss if Council could provide a sign for the disabled bays on Park Drive (Cllr Jones)
<p>The Council discussed the issue, with the input of a resident. Cllr G Dobbs suggested that the yellow lines should be remarked in the first instance.</p> <p>Resolved: For the Clerk to contact Powys to request that the yellow lines be remarked</p>	
235/18	Update on Clerk CiLCA training and workload
<p>The Clerk gave a short verbal report regarding the CiLCA training course (due March) and current workload. As there were several extra projects this year (Bee Friendly, Village Vision, Data Protection) and the Newsletter/Coffee mornings have not started, would Cllrs be willing to take on board any extra work until the exam has been completed.</p> <p>Cllrs discussed and agreed the following</p> <p>RESOLVED: Cllrs would suggest items for the newsletter in each meeting</p> <p>RESOLVED: Cllr G Parsons would be happy to run coffee mornings once they have been set up</p>	
236/18	Receive shredder Quotes v's Outside Companies document destruction quotes
<p>Council received a report from the Clerk regarding costs of shredders and outside shredding quotes. After a small discussion it was:</p> <p>RESOLVED: That the Clerk ask if any of the five councils requires any shredding completed at this time and how they normally dispose of shredding.</p>	
237/18	To discuss the issues surrounding burials, including the access gate and late notice by Funeral Directors
<p>Various issues regarding the Cemetery were discussed. Late forms and requests by Funeral Directors, usage of different grave diggers and the lack of request for the gate to be used. The Council discussed these issues and:</p> <p>RESOLVED: The Clerk write a more robust letter, including Terms and Conditions of use to all funeral directors regarding arranging funerals, usage of the gate and charging for consultation of the grave digger if they are not using our own. Draft to be send to Chair.</p>	
238/18	To discuss and agree to contact the owners of the hedges overgrowing the pathways as referred to by a resident at the last meeting
<p>Further to last month's request from a resident, the Council discussed the issues surrounding various</p>	



private hedges in the Village that are overgrown, causing pedestrians to be unable to use all the footpath.

After some discussion, including how does the Council decide who to write to and whether issues with burning could be discussed, it was:

RESOLVED: For the Chair to take photos of the hedges being discussed so that these could be used when writing to the residents. For the Clerk to word a letter in the first instance for approval in Jan

23*/18	Financial Report and Cheques for sign-off Current Account Bank Balance £14,850.32 Reserve Account Bank Balance £9,386.79
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Payee	Amount	Notes
K Bailey (Dec Payment)	£611.10	Wages (Electronic transfer)
A Braithwaite	£180.00	Toilet Cleaning (Electronic transfer)
Printer Inks	£40.96	One black ink
Viking	£70.48	Stamps
Rubicon	£10,980	Pay £8,000 via electronic transfer in tranche one Zip wire installation
Legionella Control	£103.80	Fountain Testing
Scottish Power	£29.30	Direct Debit (13.11.18)

An extra invoice of £150.00 from Andy * was received after the agenda had been finalised – it was resolved to pay this invoice (relating to the Cemetery gates) via electronic transfer. Cllr R Jones proposed the payments were paid, the Council unanimously agreed.**

238/18 Correspondence – available via the clerk or on the day of the main meeting pack

Email: 12.12.18 Sam Ridge, Beacons National Park, regarding fencing down by Llangattock Church

Email: 05.12.18 Jane Lee – Scouts Hall flooring redevelopment newsletter

Email: 03.12.18 Beacons National Park – PERMISSION to crown recreation ground trees

Email: 12.12.18 One Voice Wales – Clerk salary scale update for 19-20

Email: 11.12.18 Connecting Communities in Wales Newsletter – **Council requested this as an agenda item for Jan**

Email: 07.12.18 One Voice Wales – Training Sessions for Cllrs – **resend to Cllr G Parsons**



Email: 03.12.18 Welsh Assembly – Future of Town and Community Councils statement – **Council requested this as an agenda item for Jan**

239/18	Date of Next Meeting
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Tuesday the 18th December 2018, 7pm at Llangattock Community Hall

Cllr A Williams requested that we have an agenda item for outside bodies going forwards.

Cllr R Jones requested an agenda item for footpaths in Jan.

Meeting closed at 9.10pm