



Llangattock Community Council

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Minutes of the Council Meeting held at the Community Hall on Tuesday 17th October at 7.00 pm.

Public Participation.

Present

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

In Attendance

3 members of the public

S Dale (Temporary Clerk)

Welcome

233/17	Apologies for absence	Cllr J. Dobbs
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234/17	Members' declarations of interest	None
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235/17	Minutes	From the council meeting of the 18th July 2017. From the council meeting of the 19th September 2017.
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The July 18th minutes were approved with one amendment. Item 188/17 should read from the end of Park Drive
 The latest edition of the September minutes were approved. A double entry of a check had been corrected.

236/17	Matters Arising	
	July 2017 181/17 Day centres will now have increased charges for lunches. 184/17 Llanusk hedge along the backroad from Llangattock to Llangynidr is overgrown and needs to be cut back vertically. Clerk to enquire. 187/17 Bettina Broadway-Mann of the Brecon Beacons National Park Authority has been contacted in reference to the trees in the Recreation Ground and Cemetery. No response has been recorded, Clerk to enquire. 194/17 The posts and hurdles are now in place.	

<p>201/17 The seat in the gents toilet has been broken a more robust seat is to be acquired. A verbal quote for renewing the guttering and fixing the soffits is £350. Clerk to put the item on the agenda for discussion in November.</p> <p>September 2017</p> <p>208/17 The road markings at the pinch point have been renewed, highlighting that the space is for pedestrians.</p> <p>The discussions about the cattlegrid have included ideas about car parking and possibly a recycling site.</p> <p>221/17 The Clerk would like to be involved in the newsletter.</p>

237/17	Report from the County Councillor – full report on http://www.visitcrickhowell.co.uk/community-life/local-government/llangattock-community-council/ and on noticeboards.
<p>Clos Ciliau has won 4 awards from Powys County Council, the wild flowers were mentioned in particular. Clos Ciliau are to be congratulated.</p> <p>Maes-y-fynnon day care centre situation will be updated in the future. It seems the application is too complex for some potential applicants.</p> <p>Environmental noise is an issue again for some of those living on the Fawyddog.</p> <p>The gate opposite the Old Rectory has been removed.</p> <p>There is a survey on the back of the newsletter about parking, pedestrians and traffic calming.</p> <p>There is a cross-border agreement for highways winter working between Powys, Blaenau Gwent and Monmouthshire.</p> <p>An inspection of Childrens' Services has been published and found sadly lacking. It is to be hoped that the 21 new staff in the last will help.</p> <p>The 21st October there is a County Councillor surgery.</p>	

238/17	Cemetery. Former resident wishes to be buried with his wife in Llangattock Cemetery. As she was cremated and her remains were interred in one of the cremation plots, they will have to be moved which the former resident would like to purchase in advance. To be discussed and action agreed.
RESOLVED: This item was agreed unanimously.	

239/17	Cemetery. A concrete post at the entrance to the cemetery has been shattered, on inspection of the clerk (Sue Dale) both posts appear to need replacement.
RESOLVED: Councillor Gwyn Dobbs has kindly volunteered to replace the posts with the Community Council providing the materials.	

240/17	The grass cutting specialists have suggested that extra “pick-up” cuts be used to improve the appearance of the cemetery. An amount of £90.00 plus VAT has been quoted. To be discussed and action agreed.
RESOLVED: To try the approach.	

241/17	Feedback from the public meeting of the 7th October 2017.
The notes have been on the notice board for some time. The meeting was positive in tone and Councillors look forward to the next consultation. More efforts should be made to involve young people in the next consultation. RESOLVED: Clerk to write to the contractor requesting more detailed costings.	

242/17	A proposal to erect stock fencing along the triangular plot and the damaged stone wall to address health and safety concerns. To discuss and agree action.
RESOLVED: £250 has been quoted by a reliable tradesperson. This expenditure was approved by the Community Council.	

243/17	Clerk's Report
The Planning aid Wales training – community engagement was well worth attending. County Councillor Jackie Charlton volunteered to represent the Council at the Remembrance Day Service.	

244/17	To receive any grant application from the public from Oct 2017
RESOLVED. Citizens Advice Bureau – Clerk to ask them to complete an application form.	

245/17	Finance Report
<p>Discuss early precept considerations – A report from the Independent Remuneration Panel states that budget must be allowed for £150 for each councillor and £500 for the Chairman and other senior officers (a total of about £2200) This to help with communication expenses. Consideration may also be given to the provision of a mobile phone for the Clerk.</p> <p>Professional help may be needed for the groundwork necessary for the zip wire supports.</p> <p>A Structural engineers report could be necessary in consideration of the trees in the cemetery the Glebe field and the recreation ground.</p> <p>Newsletter expenses.</p> <p>Consultation on the recreation ground.</p> <p>Community meeting next year.</p> <p>Car Park, especially the walls and fountain.</p> <p>Noticeboards refurbishment.</p> <p>Benches.</p> <p>Website.</p> <p>Extra salary allowance for overtime.</p> <p>Long-term support for the provision of wild flowers.</p> <p>To receive a report about the the role of the Internal Auditor. Approved.</p> <p>To receive a report from the clerk about the budget. Some of the figures need breaking down still further. There appears to be a need to minute telephone expenses and travel expenses.</p> <p>To advertise electors rights to see the external audit, all documents are available for inspection on request.</p> <p>RESOLVED Clerk to action.</p>	

246/17 Finance statement and Cheques to be approved for signing. Approved.

Cheque No	Payee	Purpose	Cheque Total £	VAT to be reclaimed
	Kay Bailey	Clerk Salary	TBC	0

	Sue Dale	Clerk Salary	TBC	0
	A Braithwaite	Cleaner	195.00	0
	Crickhowell Resource and Information Centre	Projector Hire	18.00	3.00
	OTM	Invoice 449 September Grass Cutting	231.00	38.50
	Star Legal	Invoice 39780 Grazing Licence	1200.00	240.00
	Powys Payroll Services	Invoice 10266337	366.92	0
	Richard Jones (Chair)	Expenses (mileage & Bulb)	34.34	0
	RBL Poppy Fund	Wreath	17.00	0
		Totals :		

246/17	Correspondence
<p>Email dated 9/10/2017 Community Hall meeting 25th October at 6.30pm to elect board members. Noted</p> <p>Letter dated 9/10/2017 from Keith Miles (Llangattock Community Education Fund) regarding £300 for the renewal of playground equipment. Noted</p>	

247/17	Committee membership and delegates to outside bodies.
<p>School Governors - there was a general meeting the first of the new school year. Training dates and allocation of duties. The building work is going forward. The community coffee mornings are a success. There has been a request to reduce the trees bordering on the neighboring properties.</p> <p>Brecon and Radnor Area Committee (One Voice Wales) – Major changes to Town and Community Councils are coming.</p> <p>Mandatory training for all new councillors within 6 months.</p> <p>The War memorial project run by Powys County Council is online.</p> <p>Crickhowell Health Group – Brecon Memorial Hospital is improving it's car parking facilities. There are 2 new Doctors in Crickhowell War Memorial Health Centre on locum.</p> <p>Cardiology “one stop shop” is to be opened.</p>	

248/17	Human Resources
<p>Wage increase as per the NALC salary awards to £9.23 per hour for Kay Bailey- approved.</p> <p>Membership if SLCC for Kay Bailey (£78) – approved</p>	

	Date of next meeting
<p>The next meeting of the Community Council will be Tuesday the 21stth November 2017 in Llangattock Community Hall at 7pm.</p>	