

# **Cyngor Cymuned *Penybontfawr* Community Council**

## **MINUTES OF COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING**

### **Held at Canolfan Pennant on Tuesday 28 February 2012.**

#### **Present:**

Councillors - RP Williams (Chair), E Griffiths, DR Lloyd, J E Jones, Clerk GD Bradley and County Councillor Simon Baynes

**1- Apologies for Absence** – Councillors P Williams, MH Jones, E Lewis

#### **2 - Declaration of Interests**

None

#### **3 – Minutes of Last Meeting**

The Minutes of the last meeting (31 January 2012) were approved, and signed (Proposer: Cllr DR Lloyd / Seconded: Cllr JE Jones)

#### **4 - Matters arising from Minutes**

No items raised

#### **5 – Correspondence**

- *Powys Regeneration Partnership – ‘The Regenerator’ Newsletter*
- *Powys Local Service Board – One Powys Plan enclosed*
- *Powys County Council – Post Office Diversification Fund. Copy to be passed to Delyth Davies at Penybontfawr shop*
- *Dyfed-Powys Police – Neighbourhood Management Update*
- *Powys County Council – Notification of Play Montgomeryshire Annual General Meeting on 2 March 2012*
- *BDO ( External Auditors) – Audit Briefing for 2012*
- *Powys Health Board - Notification of Listening event on 5 March 2012*
- *St Illog Hirnant Community Centre: Requesting advice about new notice signage, facility promotion brochures and possibility of funding etc.* The letter received from the Secretary was a follow up from a meeting that the Clerk had had with their Trustees. Councillors were very concerned to learn about the problems of maintaining of the Community building and the struggle that the current Trustees were experiencing in obtaining local supporters, attendance at fund raising events and regular users for the Community building. The Clerk mentioned that there were also Trustee vacancies and wondered whether a Community Council representative should be put forward. It was agreed that the Community Council would make a small donation of £100 towards their funding ( Proposer; JE Jones/ Seconded: DR Lloyd ) but the Clerk was requested to first invite the Trustees to a discussion at the next Community Council Meeting

#### **6 – Finance/ Annual Audit**

Current Bank balances were advised as:

Current Account - £ 4359.94 (as at 4 Feb 12)

Deposit Account - £ 3287.79 (as at 4 December - no statement received since).

The Clerk circulated a list of all requests for funding contributions received in the current financial year from Charities and similar organisations. This included those subscribed to (and amount) in the previous financial year and breakdown of the Community Council's current financial position which offered a suggested donation total maximum. Councillors then worked through the list of requests and decided upon the following donations:

	£
Hope House Children's Hospices	100
Severn Hospice	50
Wales Air Ambulance	100
Canolfan Pennant	1000
St Thomas's Church	370
Bethania Chapel	370
NSPCC	25
Mencap Cymru	25
Royal British Legion	25
St Illog's Community Hall	100

- Notes: 1) Total of donations - £2165 (which falls under section 137 contribution limit)  
2) There was a Proposer and Seconder recorded for each contribution followed by a vote to confirm  
3) Councillor JE Jones Declared an Interest in respect in respect of one donation  
4) Cheques to be drawn up after meeting

## **7 – Planning**

P2011 1183 – Amended proposal for erection of dwelling, formation of vehicular access and associated works at Ffordd Goed, Penybontfawr.

Following early representations this application has been amended to relocate the proposed dwelling and vary the layout. Councillors supported the latest proposals and hoped that this long standing application would be resolved shortly.

P2012 0210 – Creation of a pond at Cwmwr Uchaf, Penybontfawr - Details of this application were circulated and no objections raised

## **8 – Community Council Policy Statements**

The Clerk advised that he had become aware that Community Councils should hold certain Policy Statements e.g. Welsh Language Use equality, Complaint Handling Process, Health and Safety, Equal Opportunities and possibly others. It was agreed that he would look into this further and then over the next few months prepare the appropriate draft policies for consideration

## **9– Highways**

Concern was expressed about the fading street lines e.g. red 30 mph road markings/ yellow lines/ junction markings etc. on the main road through the village. The Clerk was requested to contact County Highways about this.

The Clerk was surprised to learn that County Highways had not invited Councillors PE Williams and JE Jones to an update meeting about the ongoing issue relating to the condition of the Hirnant Road following the Enterprise mains water installation. He explained that following the Community Council meeting, he had prompted a meeting of all parties which had been set up for 21 February and he had provided the contact details of the two Councillors who had indicated they wished to be present. He had also provided a list of the items to be discussed. Clerk to follow up with County Highways.

**10 - Any Other Business**

No items raised

**10 - Date of Next Meeting**

The next Council Meeting date was agreed (7.30 pm Tuesday 27 March 2012).