

Cyngor Tref Caereinion Llanfair Llanfair Caereinion Town Council

MINUTES

of a meeting of the Full Council held on
Monday 14th February at 7pm
in the Youth Room of the Institute Llanfair Caereinion

Present were:

Cllr Wyn Williams Chair	Cllr Rob Astley
Cllr Richard Derricutt	Cllr Hazel Davies
Cllr Cadvan Evans	Cllr Viola Evans
Cllr Ursula Griffiths	Cllr Gareth Jones
Cllr Geraint Peate	Cllr Kate Roberts

In attendance: Robert Robinson Town Clerk

Apologies for absence:

Received from Cllr Ian Davies and Cllr Ceri Stephens.

139. Welcome by the Chair

The meeting received a welcome from the Chair.

140. Declarations of interest

The following declarations of interest were recorded:

Cllr Gareth Jones	Pre application Oakwood Park
Cllr Gareth Jones	Informal consultation Lle Hyfryd (The Graig)

141. Public Question Time and Participation

There were no members of the public present at the meeting.

142. Minutes of the last meeting

The meeting considered and approved the minutes of the last held on 24th January 2022.

Proposed by Cllr K Roberts and seconded by Cllr R Astley. The vote was unanimous.

143. Actions taken since the last meeting

The meeting noted the actions to be taken from the last meeting.

144. Defibrillators

144.1 The Town Clerk confirmed that the last two defibrillators in the Town (Mount Field and High Street) are due for installation on 22nd March 2022) and following that defibrillator training is being arranged for early April. There is a link on the Council web site to an online training course.

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144.2 The Institute defibrillator was raised. It is understood that this is not working. The Town Clerk is to ask the Institute about its status and report to the next meeting.

145. Planning application

To consider the following planning consultations:

145.1 Oakwood Valley Lodges, Llanfair Caereinion

The meeting a pre-application consultation regarding this project.

The application was for a proposed extension to Oakwood Valley Lodges to accommodate 25 holiday lodges, together with environmental improvements

The meeting **AGREED** to support the scheme in principle.

Proposed by Cllr U Griffiths and seconded by Cllr C Evans. The vote was 8 in favour with 2 abstentions.

145.2 Lle Hyfryd (The Graig), Llanfair Caereinion

The meeting considered an informal request to consider a pre-application consultation regarding the proposal for provision of a small school as an addition to the centre. The school to be available for those with special needs (resident on the site and from other locations) both from within Powys and from other areas. The numbers are likely to be no more than 6 in total and will be children who cannot be cared for in the main stream schools. The reason for taking some youngsters from other areas is a viability issue.

The meeting **AGREED** to support the proposal in principle subject to the places being available to Powys residents first, then those from within Wales and then those from other areas.

146. St Mary's Churchyard Report

The meeting received a report as follows :

147.1 Lychgate

The Lychgate is in need of some attention. The stabilising timbers to one side are missing and the timberwork is in need of preservatives. The maintenance budget can cover these works as they are minor but good practise.

148.2 Wall along High Street and Broad Street

The wall along the churchyard boundary between Brynteg and the Methodist Church has areas of pointing which has failed. Most of the wall is sound. The best way to keep the wall in good order is to some work to it each year.

It was agreed that instead of a day's work that a quote should be gained for completion of what is needed.

149. Church Clock

The meeting received a report on the Church Clock and progress towards its repair. The Town Clerk is meeting some residents soon to see if a community fund could be put together to provide finance towards the clock repair.

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150. Playground

151.1 Glanyafron

The meeting noted that the order has been placed for the new playground with Wicksteed. Installation is expected in May 2022.

151.2 Junior Trim Trail for Deri Woods

The Junior School also expressed a preference for a trim trail via their consultation. This could be grant funded and the Council is asked if this is a scheme to be progressed. The equipment could be located in Deri Woods.

The meeting **AGREED** a trim trail scheme should be progressed and that grant aid should be sought.

153. Deri Woods

The meeting considered the Pumping Station and walls to the covered open area. The original plan was to paint the walls a neutral colour and then a mural on it in a woodland and wildlife theme. The combined cost of the wall and mural (by a single contractor) is £1,000.

The meeting **AGREED** to proceed with the works as outlined above.

Proposed by Cllr K Roberts and seconded by Cllr C Evans. The vote was unanimous.

154. Youth Club provision

The meeting received a short report on progress towards preparing a proposal for consideration. A full paper is expected to be ready for consideration at the next meeting.

155. Tourism and sustainability project

The received a report on progress towards completion of this project.

The Town Clerk reported that the four new flag poles had arrived and are ready for installation. It was agreed that the Town Clerk would inform Councillors of a date when the positions can be agreed on site.

156. Queens Jubilee

The meeting considered a report regarding the Queens Jubilee Celebrations.

A programme of events was **agreed** as follows:

- i) The Town proclamation to be made at 2pm on Thursday 2nd June by Cllr Geraint Peate.
- ii) The Beacon Lighting ceremony to take place in the evening with a harpist at 9.45pm on Thursday 2nd June.
- iii) A street party to be held in the High Street (subject to road closure order) on Sunday 5th June.

There is to be an article in the Chronicle regarding these events.

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The meeting **AGEED** that a gas beacon should be purchased and that the road closure order application be submitted as soon as possible.

157. Christmas Lights

The meeting considered a report regarding the Christmas Lights. After some discussion it was **agreed** that the Town Council should have no involvement in the Christmas Lights and that it should remain the responsibility of the separate Christmas Lights Committee.

The Council may consider grant aid from time to time subject to the usual arrangements of insurance and risk assessments being in place.

158. Climate Change Policy

The meeting considered the Climate Change Policy. There were two minor amendments to be made which were:

- i) Add 'in principle' to the renewable energy section.
- ii) Add 'continue' in the Deri Woods management plan section.

The policy was **Approved** with the above amendments in place.

Proposed by Cllr R Derricutt and seconded by Cllr G Jones. The vote was unanimous.

159. Llanfair Hockey Club

The meeting considered a request from the Llanfair Hockey Club to place a container on Mount Field. Further details are required as to its use and purpose before the proposal can be considered.

Cllr Geraint Peate left the meeting.

160. Powys County Councillor

The meeting considered an update on County Council activities affecting Llanfair Caereinion covering subjects including:

- i) Golfa Bank road works.
- ii) Bridge Street road closure for works 23rd to 25th March.
- iii) Appointment of new head and deputy head at All Age School.
- iv) Town regeneration visit by Powys County Council.
- v) Meeting with MP over Morgan's Yard.
- vi) PCC precept increase of 3.9% subject to final confirmation.
- vii) Toilet grant aid (last year and this year) received in the sum of £10,000.

161. Llanfair Partnership

The meeting considered the future of the Llanfair Partnership meetings following information that the school is no longer going to host these. It was **agreed** that no action would be taken (ie no partnership meeting) until the new school was in place and liaison could be completed between the Council and the School at that stage.

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162. Leisure Centre

The meeting noted the retirement of the manager and all expressed their thanks for his sterling service. A letter is to be sent expressing the Council's thanks.

163. Easter Event in Deri Woods

A request was received from the Christmas Lights Committee to host an event for children in Deri Woods.

The request was **APPROVED** subject to:

- i) A copy of the insurance.
- ii) A full risk assessment.

These documents to be received by the Council before the event takes place.

164. Elections and Purdah

The meeting noted the rules regarding the pre-election called 'Purdah'.

165. Revised meeting dates leading to the elections

The meeting **agreed** the following revised dates for Council meetings.

28 th February	14 th March	11 th April
9 th May (annual meeting)	23 rd May	Then bi-monthly.

166. Actions taken forward

The following actions are to be taken forward from the meeting:

No	Details
1	Publish minutes of 24 th January meeting
2	Circulate minutes of 14 th February meeting
3	Issue press release in agreement with Chair
4	Publish the Climate Change Plan
5	Complete Allotments investigations
6	Complete Church Clock investigations
7	Take forward a Trim Trail scheme for Deri Woods
8	Inform PCC and others of planning consultation decisions.
9	Complete defibrillator planned training in April.
10	Complete mural and wall painting to pump house Deri Woods
11	Issue approval letter with conditions regarding Deri Woods
12	Complete road closure order application for the Queens Jubilee celebrations
13	Order gas beacon for Queens Jubilee celebrations
14	Put in place arrangements for Queens Jubilee celebrations
15	Seek more information from Hockey Club regarding the container.
16	Take forward for consideration Youth Club proposals
17	Publish revised meeting dates on web site