Llanfair Caereinion Town Council

 Minutes of meeting held on Monday 19th February 2018 at The Institute, Llanfair at 7pm

Present – Cllrs K Roberts, Ian Davies, H Davies, V Evans, C Evans, G Jones (Chair) and Clerk

1.Apologies – Cllrs V Faulkner, C Stephens, W Williams, U Griffiths, G Peate, M Hughes

2. Declarations of interest – None declared.

Before business began representations were made regarding planning application P/2018/0071 The Graig, Llanfair Caereinion. Melissa Johnson and Alan Challinor of Bryn Melyn Care and Lloyd James spoke in favour of the development as a therapeutic community and school for young people with mental health difficulties. Mr Roger Neville spoke on behalf of some of those opposing it. Cllr C Evans chaired and gave each party equal time to speak. Questions were taken from members of the Town Council. Cllr C Evans thanked all for attending and Town Council business began at 7.35pm.

3.Minutes of meeting held on January 22nd 2018.

Cllr H Davies proposed and Cllr I Davies seconded that the minutes were correct. All agreed and the Chair signed them as correct.

4.Matters arising.

Cllr G Jones confirmed that the trees in Erw Ddwr had not yet been trimmed due to the weather.

The details of container for Llanfair YFC was agreed and could now be purchased.

Clerk asked all members their opinion on the sign on the notice board as there was no room on the wall above it. She suggested that it was on the notice board itself.

Clerk confirmed that she was getting more quotes for the swings in Glan yr Afon and hoped to meet some contractors on site shortly.

It was noted that Cllr H Davies had assisted in the removal of the detritus near the school in January and the Chair thanked her.

Cllr K Roberts confirmed that she was in correspondence with Carwyn Jones of PCC Environmental Health regarding the problem of dog fouling.

Cllr G Jones confirmed that he had reported all potholes to PCC as County Councillor but not all had been done.

**Actions:**

1. Cllr K Roberts to liaise with C Stephens et al on container
2. Cllrs to view notice board when leaving meeting to decide on position of sign.
3. Clerk to arrange meetings on site with contractors for new swings
4. Cllr K Roberts to keep all informed on dog fouling situation

5.Finance.

Community Balance - £49,743.87

The following payments were agreed:

101305 – Clerk’s expenses for February - £109.56

101306 – One Voices Wales membership - £245.00

101307 – Steve Adams toilet cleaning supplies – £26.98

101308 – British Gas – Final bill for electric for toilets - £104.32

101309 – Water Plus - water for the toilets - £80.83

101310 – Harrisons – Solicitor searches for Goatfield - £600.00

SO – Clerk’s salary for February - £487.00

DD – Opus Energy for Public Toilets - £39.25

Receipts – Burial fees - £300.00

Clerk requested that she could ask Gerrald Morgan, Accountant to act as Internal Auditor for 2017 – 2018. All agreed.

Clerk suggested that a direct debit for the water bills in the Public Toilet was set up to avoid late payments – all agreed.

**Actions:**

I.Clerk to write to G Morgan

ii.Direct debit for STW to be signed

6.Planning.

P/2018/0071 - The Graig, Llanfair Caereinion. Change of use from holiday lets to therapeutic community and school for young persons with mental health difficulties – Cllr Gareth Jones explained to the members that he may be on the PCC planning committee as a County Councillor in May and did not wish to have any conflict of interest. He sought the opinion of former County Cllr V Evans on the matter before he voted.

P/2018/0071 -The application was supported as it would be of financial benefit to the community

P/2018/0075 – Dropping of kerb to form vehicular access at Manchester House – Supported

P/2018/0201 – Reconfiguration of turning area at The Glen, Glan yr Afon, to form parking bays – Supported.

**Actions:**

i.Clerk to inform PCC of the above decisions

Clerked informed the members of the following:

P/2017/1268 – 9 houses at Maes Gwyn – notification of planning committee meeting

P/2017/1311 – 3 houses at Broncafnant – notification of planning committee meeting

TREE/2018/0005 – Trimming of yew trees in St Mary’s Church Yard

P/2010/0890 – Consultation on 19 wind turbines

7.Premises.

Deri Woods and Goatfield – It was agreed that new quotes would be required for the Pump House as per a standard spec. Cllr C Evans reported that the overhanging trees onto the road had been cut back already. He also suggested that the entrance gate to the wood required replacing.

Clerk updates all on the proposed visit of HRH Prince Charles to commemorate the centenary of Deri Woods.

Cllr G Jones reported on a boundary discrepancy bordering his land with Deri Woods.

Clerk update all on the HMLR registration of the Deri Woods. The Pump House lease had been surrendered in 1982 by STW but proof was still required.

**Actions:**

1. Cllr C Evans to get prices for gates
2. Clerk to ensure request for visit from Prince Charles in submitted as per instructions in August.
3. Cllr G Jones to compare maps and liaise with Clerk and solicitor
4. Clerk to obtain proof from STW of lease surrender

Mountfield – Nothing to report

Glan yr Afon Play Area – Clerk updated members on HMLR registration. All agreed that the land illustrated in the solicitor’s correspondence was correct

**Actions:**

i.Clerk to inform solicitor of members’ decision.

Erw Ddwr – Clerk updated members on HMLR. All agreed that the illustrated land shown on the correspondence from the solicitor was correct and should be registered accordingly.

Clerk updated members on the Memorandum of Understanding from WAG regarding the waiving of burial fees for children in Wales. She explained that a grant of £600,000 would be made available to reimburse town and community councils in such cases.

**Actions:**

I.Clerk to inform solicitor of members’ decision regarding registering of land.

Chapel of Rest – Nothing to report.

**Actions:**

i. Clerk to ask solicitor to register C of R if not already done.

Public Toilets – Nothing to report

Land at Banwy Ind Est – Nothing to report

Clerk reported the request from the Tennis Club for the courts to be re marked. All agreed.

**Actions:**

Clerk to contact Glyn Lloyd to give go ahead for marking of tennis courts.

8.Correspondence.

Clerk informed the members of a letter from the Lake Vyrnwy Marketing Association. All agreed it was an excellent idea to promote the area.

Clerk had received a letter and photos from a resident regarding the poor state of the Trem Banwy play area. Clerk had emailed the photos and letter to PCC (Steve Gealy)

**Actions:**

i.Clerk to reply to Keith Blacker of LVMA asking to be kept informed of the group’s activities.

ii.Clerk to chase PCC for an update on Trem Banwy play area.

9. PCC Matters. Please see attached.

10.Montgomeryshire Local Council Forum.

Clerk informed members that the next meeting is on March 27th and she would be attending. She also informed them that she did not include her attendance of these meetings in her paid hours.

11.Road Safety.

Nothing to report

12. Any other matters.

Clerk informed the members that the Police House had been sold for residential use.

Clerk informed members of the Town and Community Council events in Newtown on 1st March organised by the Remuneration Panel for Wales

Clerk reminded the members of the Llanfair Leisure Centre meeting with PCC on Monday 26th Feb at 7pm in the Youth Room.

Clerk reminded Cllr I Davies to find out about GDPR

Cllr H Davies asked on behalf of a local family about the placing of a commemorative bench near the Chapel of Rest. It was agreed that all such plans should be submitted in writing to the Town Council detailing proposed design and position.

**Actions:**

i.Cllr I Davies to find out about GDPR

Meeting closed at 9.15pm