Llanfair Caereinion Town Council

Minutes of meeting held on Monday 22nd Jan 2018 at The Public Institute, Llanfair at 7pm

Present – Cllrs C Evans, V Evans, V Faulkner, G Peate, M Hughes, H Davies, I Davis, K Roberts, G Jones (Chair) and Clerk.

1.Apologies – Cllrs C Stephens, W Williams and U Griffith

2.Declarations of Interest.

Cllr G Peate declared an interest in the pre planning consultation from Roger Parry regarding Cross Farm, Llanfair.

3.Minutes of meeting held on Monday 18th December 2017

Cllr V Faulkner proposed and Cllr H Davies seconded that the minutes should be signed as correct. All agreed and Cllr G Jones signed.

4.Matters arising

Cllr G Jones confirmed that the tree in Erw Ddwr had not yet been done.

Cllr V Faulkner confirmed that a shovel had been placed in the grit bin by the Banwy road bridge. Clerk confirmed that she had reported the icy pavement in this area to PCC but to no avail.

Clerk and Chair reported that PCC had not reported back with any further info on the Banwy foot bridge.

It was agreed that the footpath in the Church Yard required re tarmacking. Cllr C Evans proposed it was resurfaced from the Goat entrance to the toilets and all agreed.

Chair confirmed he had still not had an answer on the steep rise in election costs by PCC.

Clerk confirmed that the electricity contract for the Public Toilets had now been transferred to Opus Energy as they were the cheapest.

Clerk was still waiting to hear from Llanfair YFC regarding container grant.

Cllr G Jones reported on the accident on the B4385. It was agreed that all proposed new parking restrictions should be included in the Town Plan consultation.

Clerk reported on the recent quote for a new sign for Institute wall above notice board.

**Actions:**

i.Cllr G Jones and C Evans to cut trees in Erw Ddwr

ii.Clerk to get quotes for re tarmacking in Church Yard

iii. Chair to pursue PCC for explanation in rise in election costs

iv.Clerk to obtain more quotes for new sign limited to £250.00. Clerk and Chair to measure available space.

5.Finance.

Community balance – £52,631.18 Money manager - £25,003.39

The following payments were agreed:

101300 – Treewerx for Deri Woods (HLF) - £600.00

101301 – Clerk’s expenses (Jan) - £.37.06

101302 – D M Johnson – Library cleaning - £58.50

101303 – D M Johnson - Toilet cleaning contract (Dec and Jan) - £225.00

101304 – G Lloyd – Grass cutting contract - £1,740.00

DD – Opus Energy (Chapel of Rest) - £41.36

SO – Clerk’s salary (Jan)- £487.00

Receipts:

Precept – 3rd Tranche less election costs - £12,770.32

The minutes of the Budget meeting held on Monday 15th Jan 2018 were agreed and signed as correct. However, it was agreed that Cllr M Hughes had first put forward the idea of spending money on the Christmas lights in order to support the event.

6.Planning:

Pre planning consultation for Mr J Peate of Cross Farm, Llanfair.

Cllr G Peate left the room during the discussion of and decision on this application. The application was supported at this stage as the members wish to support a local family business.

P/2018/0031 and 0034 – Conversion of the barn at Melin y Ddol Mill to holiday let.

Application was supported in order to preserve an historic building and to promote tourism in the area

P/2018/0055 – Removal of Condition 3 restriction of use as a holiday let.

There were no objections raised to the removal of this condition.

**Actions:**

i.Clerk to write to Roger Parry on pre planning consultation for Cross Farm

ii.Clerk to write to PCC to inform them of decisions on other applications

7.Premises.

Deri Woods and Goatfield - Clerk gave an update on the registration of the premises with the solicitor. It was agreed that the Clerk should confirm that plan of the Goatfield was up to date and showed the piece of land sold to a dwelling by PCC. Cllr C Evans requested more stone for the Deri Woods from H V Bowen and this was agreed.

Mountfield – Nothing to report

Glan yr Afon play area – Nothing further to report

St Mary’s Church Yard – Clerk still waiting to hear from H Ellis regarding the trimming of the yews.

Erw Ddwr – Nothing to report

Chapel of Rest – Nothing to report

Public Toilets – Clerk confirmed that the electricity account was being transferred.

Clerk reported that the grass cutting contract was up for renewal. It was to be a five year agreement with the option to end after 3.

**Actions:**

i.Clerk to confirm with PCC and solicitor that Goatfield plans we up to date.

ii.Clerk to obtain quotes for grass cutting contract and take advise as to the best way to do this.

iii.Clerk to arrange for more quotes on the new swings in Glan yr Afon

8.Correspondence -

Clerk had received an email from residents who had taken it upon themselves to clean up and weed an area near their home.

Clerk updated the members on the most recent correspondence for the Leisure Centre Committee.

Clerk had been in contact with the new PCSO, Rhian Davies and shared her details.

Clerk had received further comments regarding the re introduction of yellow near the Spar from a resident.

**Actions:**

i.Cllrs G Jones, C Evans and K Roberts to remove the leave debris and rubbish near school crossing collected by residents.

ii.Clerk to write to the above and thank them for all their effort and hard work cleaning up.

iii. Cllr K Roberts to make a statement to PCSO regarding dog fouling in the town.

iv. It was agreed that possible new parking restrictions would be placed in the Town Plan consultation for residents to have their say.

v.Clerk to write to above resident to explain this.

9.PCC Matters -

Cllr G Jones confirmed that the Budget meeting for PCC would take place on Thursday 25th January. It was expected that there would be a 5% rise in council tax.

He also reported that street lights LC 90 and 97 now had a power supply to them following a visit by Scottish Power on the 16th Jan.

10.Montgomeryshire Local Council Forum - Clerk confirmed she would be attending the next meet on the 23rd Jan

11.Road Safety- Nothing further to report

12. Any other business –

Clerk confirmed that she had the forms for a new bank account for Deri Woods.

Cllr G Jones took details of potholes and blocked drains for him to report to PCC.

**Actions:**

i.Clerk , Cllrs G Jones and K Roberts to fill in forms for new bank account and return to Barclays.

13.Date of next meeting\_

Monday 26th Feb 2018