

Forden with Leighton and Trelystan Community Council

Cyngor Cymuned Ffordun gyda Thre'r-Llai a Threlystan

Minutes of the meeting held on 27th October 2016

At Forden Community Centre

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PRESENT:

Cllr D T Jones	(DTJ)	Cllr W Jones	(WJ)
Cllr R Dawe	(RD)	Cllr N Edwards	(NE)
Cllr D Clare	(DC)	Cllr L Corfield	(LC)
Cllr M Williams	(MW)	Cllr D Jones	(DJ)
Cllr S Rowlands	(SR)	Cllr C Alexander	(CA)
Ms H Stanier	(Clerk)		

MINUTES OF THE MEETING held on 29th September 2016, as circulated, were agreed as a true record and were signed by Cllr D T Jones (Chair)

Proposed by Cllr S Rowlands and seconded by Cllr R Dawe – all agreed.

Declaration of Interest: None were recorded.

MATTERS ARISING

1. Risk Assessments. It was confirmed that the Junior Pitch had been checked, rabbit holes were found but no gravel. SR confirmed that the assembly of the goal posts was in progress. The Clerk confirmed that the “No Dogs” signs were on order and that the Caretaker had not yet put the “Steep Slope” signs in place; he had been reminded of this job. All documentation regarding goal post checks and copy of the Test Certificate were passed to SR. The Clerk confirmed she had not yet spoken to the school regarding Dog Fouling and placement of the nets.

ACTION: The Clerk to again remind the Caretaker regarding the “Steep Slope” signs. The Clerk to contact the school regarding Dog Fouling and where the nets are to be kept (awaiting the assembly of the goal posts first)

2. Bus Shelter. Councillors assume this work is now complete. **This matter is now closed.**

3. Coat of Arms. DJ confirmed this is not now going ahead, the reasons being: Damp on the walls in the church, concerns about the cost including fuel and keeping the church open, declining members at the church and it becoming a mission area. It was also felt there was not enough enthusiasm for the project. Councillors confirmed that it was too big for the Community Centre. DJ confirmed the different ideas as far as what would happen to the Coat of Arms now, these being that it would possibly go out on loan or that it might be sold and that it had been mentioned that it could go to the Judges lodgings in Presteigne. **This matter is now closed.**

4. Kingspan Sensor Smartserv. NE confirmed that Kingspan had been out and corrected the Compressor noise. The Clerk advised that we are still waiting for Robert Walton to proceed with the work on the Plinth.

ACTION: To await Robert Walton to proceed with the work on the Plinth.

5. Tennis Courts/All Weather Pitch. Councillors expressed concerns about the fact that the court was still sodden in a certain area and the reasons why this might be happening. It was felt that if the court was left then it could suffer in the future. Although it had been decided to look into a drainage channel being put by the side of the court, it was now felt that potentially it would be better if a trench could be dug. The Clerk was requested to remind Robert Walton regarding this work and that MW and NE were to be on site when he came to look.

As this looks to be more cost, it was advised that 2 quotes would possibly be needed. SR confirmed that new goal posts were in the storage area and that we still had the old ones, these are sound in condition but slightly rusty. The Clerk to diarise these to go into Forden and Leighton Newsletter as being available if anyone wants them. It was decided that the new ones would be secured in place with a chain once they are ready to be assembled in place.

ACTION: The Clerk to contact Robert Walton regarding the change in requirements for the drainage work. The Clerk to diarise the availability of the old goal posts.

6. Forden Football Pitch. The Clerk confirmed that she had contacted Lee Davies and he advised that the affiliation problem had now been sorted but that their own pitch and changing rooms were available so they had started to use these. **This matter is now closed.**

7. Caretaker. The Clerk confirmed that the Caretaker is happy to meet up with a few Councillors although he was not available on Thursday evenings. DTJ confirmed that he will email the Caretaker to arrange a time and place.

ACTION: DTJ to contact the Caretaker to arrange a time/place for informal get together.

8. Flood Light – Tennis Court (RH side). The Clerk confirmed that the Flood Light was the same one that had been replaced last year by Pete Sheppard. NE advised that he had checked the Flood Light and it was fine. The Clerk confirmed that she had put up the poster relating to contacting Neil Edwards if the lights are not working in future. **This matter is now closed.**

9. Tavern Park, Forden. The Clerk confirmed that Bryn Pryce had advised that he was looking into this and LC said that she would try and get a response from him. LC pointed out that the County Council can object and that this would carry more weight than any objection from a Community Council. Councillors advised that they are concerned about the size of the development and that there is a principle of adhering to Planning rules. MW raised a resident complaint regarding burning on the Tavern Park and also that the site seems to be open longer than the set period. Councillors requested the Clerk to report the burning problem to the Environmental Health Department.

ACTION: LC to chase a response from Bryn Pryce. The Clerk to report the burning problem to the Environmental Health Department.

10. Clerks position/Terms and Conditions. The Clerk showed the draft of the Terms and Conditions to Councillors. The Clerk accepted the conditions and it will be finalised and signed off. **This matter is now closed.**

11. Telephone Boxes, by Church House Forden and the one in Leighton. The Clerk confirmed that she had contacted PCC to confirm that the Community Council wanted to keep and adopt the Payphone by Church House Forden and also the one in Leighton. Tamsin Law at PCC had confirmed that once this is done that they would forward the information to BT, they then will make contact regarding adoption. LC had also contacted PCC on 3.10.16 to advice that this is what we wanted to do. Councillors discussed what to do with the Phone Box at the Cock Hotel, Forden and confirmed that this one was to be left so removal could take place.

ACTION: Await reply from BT regarding adoption of the 2 Pay Phones.

12. Map of the Village. RD advised that he had not had much success looking for a suitable map. Councillors discussed aspects of having a map available. Councillors to asked the Clerk to write to Richard Davys-Jones to let him know that this would not be feasible but to thank him for his idea.

ACTION: The Clerk to write to Richard Davys-Jones.

13. Road/Highway situations. WJ confirmed that the work with metal drain grid outside Pant Y Bwlch had been completed. It was noted that the other 2 situations were still outstanding. Councillors asked the Clerk to contact Ken Llewellyn at PCC and report these again.

- Flooded entrance to Dykelands, The Barn, Cefn Derw, Forden. The Clerk pointed out that residents are concerned with the continuing flooding in the main entrance to the properties.
- Ménage, Upper House, Leighton. Boulders have been put at the side of the road, in very close proximity to the roadway which in fog or ice would be dangerous for drivers.

ACTION: The Clerk to contact Ken Llewellyn at Powys County Council.

14. Safety on the Leighton Road. MW pointed out that there had been another incident where a vehicle had hit a ditch along the Leighton Road and ended up on the other side of the road, he gave photographic evidence to the Clerk who will now scan and send to Chris Lloyd at PCC.

ACTION: The Clerk to send information regarding the latest incident along with photographic evidence to Chris Lloyd PCC.

15. Street Lights by Forden Chapel. LC had reported this situation to PCC; this has now been dealt with by PCC. **This matter is now closed.**

16. Heritage Green, Proposed Development. The Clerk confirmed that there had been no reply from David Parker regarding points raised at the last meeting that he had not been able to answer at that time. LC confirmed that there had been worries regarding wear on the tarmac and also the children from the new development filtering back onto the original play area in Heritage Green. No other situations reported.

17. Pavilion Checks. The Clerk confirmed that she had contacted the Caretaker and requested him to purchase the chain to fix the Burco Boiler loosely in the Pavilion; she also confirmed contact had been made with Robert Walton regarding the guttering repairs.

ACTION: Await these jobs to be completed.

PLANNING:

New Applications:

Application Ref	Grid Ref	Description	Comments
P/2016/1024	324750.19/305094.87	For Listed Building consent: Internal and external alterations at Park Cottage, Leighton, Welshpool, Powys	Supported
P/2016/1068	323502.91/300117.18	For Demolition of existing dwelling, construction of a replacement dwelling, garage, installation of a septic tank and change of use of land to domestic cartilage at Lower Hem Farm, Forden, Welshpool, Powys	Supported

FINANCE:

1. Payment of the following bills was proposed:

Payee	Details	Power to Pay	Chq	£
Mr N Lloyd	Wages	s.164, s.44, ss 9&10	867	£115.20
Powys County Council	Business Rates	s.164, s.44, ss 9&11	DDR	£136.00
PWLB	Loan Repayment		DDR	£971.63
Forden Recreation Assn	Room Hire (29.9.16)	LGA1972 S.12	868	£12.00
Nigel Price	Multi Surface Court Resurface	s.19,s.54	869	£15,630.00
	TOTAL			£16,864.83

Current Account Balance		£33,384.24
Business Premium ME	(Balance transferred to Current Acc - Multi Purpose Courts)	NIL

Payment of the bills proposed by Cllr R Dawe and seconded by Cllr D Jones – all agreed.

2. Business Premium ME Account. The following decision was made by Councillors:

- For the Clerk to transfer £100 per month from the Current to The Business Account
- For the Clerk to transfer £10,000 back to the Business Account.
- For the Clerk to claim VAT refund back as soon as possible and ensure this is then transferred to the Business Account.

All this being part of the Community Council budget plan.

The transfer of £10,000 back to the Business Premium ME account, proposed by Cllr R Dawe and seconded by Cllr D Jones – all agreed.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Citizens Advice Bureau – Financial Assistance requested. Councillors confirmed that unfortunately we could not offer financial assistance to the CAB. **This matter is now closed.**

2. LDP Schedule of Proposed Further Focussed Changes. This is now subject to a 6 week consultation period between Monday 10th October and Monday 21st November 2016. The Clerk confirmed that there was a link available so Councillors could read the information online and also pointed out that she had a CD available if Councillors wanted to look at it.

MATTERS RAISED:

1. Cae Post. WJ raised the issue regarding Cae Post not doing the recycling for PCC. Councillors confirmed that PCC would be doing that work themselves after the contract had finished with Cae Post, spring next year.

2. Charity Lunch. DJ confirmed that the Charity Lunch supporting Lingen Davies and Forden Church raised £2300.00

3. Parliamentary Boundary proposals. LC confirmed that we will not really be affected from the first proposal some time back. The new constituency will be called Radnor, Brecon and Montgomeryshire and the question was raised as to what area Councillors wanted to be in. A vote was carried out and a decision was made to be located in the South Powys – Radnor, Brecon and Montgomeryshire – all agreed.

ACTION: LC will report back to confirm that Forden with Leighton and Trelystan Community Council would like to be in the South Powys area – Radnor, Brecon and Montgomeryshire.

4. Notice of Adoption of amended Code of Conduct. RD confirmed that he had seen a section in the County Times where Churchstoke Community Council was advising on a notice of Adoption of amended Code of Conduct. Councillors asked the Clerk to look into this as we had not taken any action.

ACTION: The Clerk will look into this and report back.

5. Crossing of the road by the Cock Hotel, Forden. SR pointed out that residents had spoken to her regarding the fast moving traffic and trying to cross the road across to the Cock Hotel. Councillors asked the Clerk to speak to Highways regarding having a pedestrian crossing.

ACTION: The Clerk to request a pedestrian crossing.

6. Fron Bank, Forden. DJ reported that Lorries were reversing into Mellors, Contracting entrance; she confirmed that this was a blind bend and was dangerous for oncoming traffic. Councillors requested the Clerk to report this situation to the Highways Dept, PCC.

ACTION: The Clerk to report to Highways PCC.

7. Andrew Lloyd Football Festival Funds. DTJ read out an email from Sian Knowles, Chair of the Andrew Lloyd Football Festival regarding a discussion that had taken place after the event to discuss what to do with the money raised from that year's event. The Festival Committee suggested a second Defibrillator for the village as there is quite a distance from one side of the village to the other; Councillors felt that The Cock Hotel would be a good place to keep it, keeping it outside the property with a key coded system. Councillors asked SR to speak to Gary Roberts and report back.

ACTION: SR to speak to Gary Roberts and report back.

8. Electric gates behind the Hall, Leighton. CA confirmed that she had received an email from a resident who was concerned about the sale of the Goppas, Leighton and that if James Potter purchased this property that gates would be put here and the right of way blocked. Councillors asked CA to get back to the resident and advise that if gates were put up on a right of way then it would be an offence.

ACTION: CA to report back to the resident.

9. Sewage Treatment Plant. The Clerk raised the issue of emptying the plant. Councillors requested that she diarise this for spring 2017. **This matter is now closed.**

TIRDU CHARITY:

Update: Helen Stanier advised that she would contact Mr Derek Clare at a later date with an update.

Signed _____
Cllr D T L Jones (Chair)

Date _____