

## MINUTES OF THE LLAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

**Location:** Llay Resource Centre  
**Date & Time:** 21<sup>st</sup> March 2018 @ 18:30

### In Attendance:

Councillors B Apsley (Chair), D Owen (V Chair), S Roberts, S Watson, S Apsley, L Jones, J O'Keefe, P Taylor, K Cupit, J Osbourne, R Walsh, D Adams & Clerk  
3 members of the public. PCSO Harris

- 1. Apologies for Absence:** Cllrs T Boland, W Austin and N Hughes  
**Declarations of Interest :** RW (Planning)
- 2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting:** The Minutes of the **February meeting** were accepted as a true record, proposed by RW, seconded by JO'K and carried unanimously.
- 3. Public Questions:** On this occasion, no questions had been received by the Clerk.
- 4. Matters Arising:** RW led a short discussion regarding **new bins**. It was agreed that six new bins would be purchased with locations decided later. This was agreed unanimously. RW led a general discussion regarding the **Foregolf** situation. The Chair also mentioned that this subject would arise during the LDP discussion later. Regarding the **Alyn Waters car parking** DA requested that the original letter is sent to all so that this can be resent to WCBC within the consultation period. The Clerk will ensure this is done. The Chair raised the **GDPR** issue and the Clerk informed all this is ongoing and will be sent to all when clear guidelines are obtained. The Chair gave an update regarding the recent planning matter involving the supported housing application.
- 5. Police Matters:** PCSO Harris elaborated on the figures that had been distributed ahead of the meeting. The latest Go safe figures were also given. KC mentioned that **anti-social behaviour** is still causing major problems and the levels are very disturbing. Recent incidents have severely frightened older residents. A number of councillors and a member of the public also spoke passionately about recent behaviour problems with gangs of youths. SR asked if there has been progress regarding the visit to the **CCTV** company. PCSO will now progress this as he is aware of the names who wish to attend. DA raised the point of lack of youth club facilities to divert children from the streets. The Chair asked about the recent incidents involving bolt cutters. SR asked how to implement dispersal orders and PCSO Harris gave a brief response. The Chair thanked PCSO Harris for attending.
- 6. New Matters:** RW raised the election issue of wards within the Llay area. He gave some background to how Bryn and Park came into being. However, RW felt that it would now be far better to be one ward all representing Llay. SR and DA felt the current system ensures all geographical areas of the village are represented. The Chair suggested this is relisted for April Agenda.
- 7. Finance and Appeals:** The Clerk sought **approval for the expenditure** for the past month, £8,573.46p. This was approved unanimously. All expenditure items were approved, having been sent for approval during the month. The Clerk raised the issue of renewing various annual expenditure items. First was **One Voice Wales** (£537 pa). DA proposed and SR seconded renewing this contract, carried by 11 votes with one abstention. The Chair raised the renewal of the currently vacant **School Crossing Patrol contract**. JO'K proposed and KC seconded renewing this and it was carried unanimously. Final contract was for **Ash waste** which was proposed by DO, seconded by SA and carried unanimously. The Clerk will ensure all three contracts are now formally renewed/implemented before April 1<sup>st</sup>.
- 8. Street Lighting:** RW gave an update on current lighting issues and a small number of councillors updated RW with new lights that required repair.
- 9. Planning:** The Chair raised the first planning matter concerning the orientation of the **Asphalt Plant**. SR asked for the updated dust report. The Chair instructed the Clerk to contact planning to enquire about this.

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The Chair gave a short presentation regarding the second application regarding new shutter doors and ducting at the **Magellan A'space** site. RW gave some information regarding the rules on retrospective planning application. There were no comments regarding this application. The Clerk will inform planning on both applications. As a general point, the Chair emphasised the need for the community council to ensure they **always formally respond** to planning applications, to avoid the risk of those within planning claiming there has been no response from the community affected by an application. All councillors agreed this would be best practice going forward.

**10. Burial Matters:** JO/SA gave a full report following their recent **inspection**, highlighting the general appearance of the cemetery. Some overgrown graves require attention along with areas where the ride on mower does not catch the grass. There were issues regarding the edges of paths, which the Clerk was already aware of and he asked for assistance in finding suitable quotes. The Clerk will approach the asphalt plant to see if they are willing to donate materials. The toilet area requires closer inspection. The Clerk will ensure all pick up points are passed onto the Cemetery Groundsman and implemented. The Chair opened a short discussion regarding charges for interments. DA proposed, SR seconded that Llay CC increase their non resident charges to match WCBC and also increase residents charges by £5. This was approved unanimously, and it was noted this was the first increase since 2012. The final point on the cemetery was raised by SR who emphasised the need to finalise land ownership surrounding the cemetery in light of LDP matters. The Chair agreed and this will be progressed. The Cemetery Inspectors for April will be DO and JO'K.

**11. Reports:** The Chair raised the issue of the Local Development Plan, highlighting the upcoming public meetings on 22<sup>nd</sup> March and 4<sup>th</sup> April. It is his hope that the public will lead on this matter at the meetings. He emphasised how important it is for member of the public to also be pro-active. RW also asked for maximum support at the public meetings. It was generally felt that if the local community do not act decisively together, there was little chance of success.

**12. News/Website:** DA gave a short report highlighting that issues with e mail addresses is now resolved.

**13. Correspondence:** No separate correspondence had been received by the Clerk.

There being no further business, Standing Orders were moved and seconded and the Chair declared the meeting closed at 2100.

The next meeting will be held on **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> April at 1830** in  
Main Hall Llay Resource Centre

Signed: .....

Mr B Apsley  
Chair  
18<sup>th</sup> April 2018