

## MINUTES OF THE LLAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

**Location:** Llay Resource Centre  
**Date & Time:** 16<sup>th</sup> October 2019 @ 1830

### In Attendance:

Councillors B Apsley (Chair), D Owen (Vice Chair), S Apsley, J O'Keefe, K Powell, R Walsh, J Osborne, P Taylor & Clerk. 1 member of the Press.

- 1. Apologies for Absence:** Cllr T Boland, W Austin, K Cupit, D Adams, L Jones, S Roberts, S Watson. PCSO Sawyer also sent apologies due to being on active duty.  
**Declarations of Interest:** Nil on this occasion
- 2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting:** The Chair asked for approval for the **September minutes** as published. Proposed by JO'K and seconded by KP and carried unanimously. The Chair also explained that the planned talk from Rev Gilmore will be rearranged at a future date.
- 3. Matters Arising:** DO gave an update on his meeting with Marstons regarding the **defibrillator** installation, along with different prices for the equipment. JO'K, WA will assist DO in purchasing the equipment. The Clerk will assist with any admin requirements. It was agreed that these vital machines be installed if possible before the end of November. The Chair gave a quick update regarding the **archive of old documents**. He has received these from the Clerk and after looking at them himself, they will be moved to the archive facility. PT asked if the **new street light** required on Llay Road had been progressed. After RW gave a brief report it was agreed that the Clerk will chase up. SA mentioned more examples of apparent different standards between the Gwersyllt side of Alyn Waters when compared to Llay. Following an introductory question from JO, a short discussion followed regarding the parking fees and issues around machines not working, or not having a ticket roll after monies have been paid into the machine.
- 4. Public Questions:** No questions from the Public had been received by the Clerk on this occasion.
- 5. Police Matters:** In the absence of PCSO Sawyer (absent on duty), the Chair elaborated on the figures for September that were distributed ahead of the meeting. A discussion followed involving some local incidents that had occurred recently. The Clerk was instructed to enquire as to the location of the dog incidents mentioned in the figures. KP mentioned yet another incident involving people being released from the cells and wandering through the village.
- 6. New Matters:** Nothing on this occasion.
- 7. Finance and Appeals:** The Clerk sought approval for the **expenditure for September totalling £3179.67p**. The Chair asked for approval of these payments. This was proposed by JO'K seconded by DO and carried unanimously. The Chair then signed a copy of the Inc/Exp Schedule. The Chair asked for approval to purchase a **wreath for Remembrance Sunday** from the RBL costing £27. This was proposed by PT and seconded by SA and carried unanimously. The silhouettes to the fallen will also be displayed again. After a suggestion by JO it was agreed to display the silhouettes all year round going forward. RW also invited anyone to attend the ceremony in Wrexham.
- 8. Street Lighting:** RW gave a brief report relating to lighting issues, with three new ones reported today and already passed onto the WCBC Lighting department.
- 9. Planning:** The Chair outlined the planning matter as listed on the Agenda. This was a replacement garage and there were no comments at this stage.
- 10. Burial Matters:** The **inspection report** by KP and PT was presented and discussed briefly with no major issues being raised. There was a loose headstone and the council benches need repair and repainting. Also the moss on the paths is dangerous. A discussion followed on how to solve this problem. The Clerk will arrange temporary signs to highlight this matter. New trees will be carried over until November as SR was absent and SA asked for the new bench to be relisted too as she is still waiting for an answer.

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**11. Reports:** RW mentioned that some consultations are taking place. Firstly, there is a review of **Libraries**, including Llay. He asked everyone to make their thoughts known via the consultation process. He gave dates and times when this could be done. RW stated that the consultation of **three weekly bin collections** is also current. He also gave an update that the **water works on Gresford Road** is not happening, contrary to some reports that had circulated recently. He also mentioned the mud problem on Gresford Road. Some patching to the road surface will be taking place at the Crown crossroads. RW has also received complaints about the **traffic lights** being very slow in this area. Overall, concerning the Gresford Road development, both RW and BA, as the County Councillors for Llay, urged everyone to continue to complain formally if breaches to the planning application do occur. RW mentioned that a consultation would take place in the New Year regarding installation of double yellow lines along **Park Road**. BA emphasised the importance for all the community to try and ensure they contribute towards the Library consultation on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October at 1500-1700. BA expressed concern regarding the **lack of opportunities for young people in Llay** and expressed a wish to get the Youth Committee up and running as agreed previously. Finally, BA mentioned some matters relating to the ongoing LDP, in particular, issues relating to the reduction in affordable housing that forms part of the plan. This relates to a reduction in numbers of over 50% of affordable houses now in the plan. This is now going out to consultation again.

**12. News/Website:** No issues to report on this occasion.

**13. Correspondence:** None on this occasion that had not already been discussed earlier.

There being no further business, Standing Orders were moved by KP seconded by RW and the Chair declared the Meeting closed at 1955.

**The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2019 at 1830 in  
Main Hall Llay Resource Centre**

Signed: .....

Mr B Apsley, Chair,  
20<sup>th</sup> November 2019