

Llanfihangel Rhydithon Community Council

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting held on Thursday 28th January 2016

Present: Cllr. D Lewis (chairman), M Jones, S Powell, R Shelton, R Watkins

1 Apologies for absence: Cllr K Bufton, County Cllr H Lewis (he arrived ten minutes after the start following the early finish of another meeting elsewhere)

2 Minutes:

2.1 **Minutes of the meeting held on 3 December 2015:** These were taken as read and signed by the Chairman as a true record

2.2 **Minutes of the Extraordinary meeting held on 7 January 2016:** These were read, approved and signed by the Chairman.

3 Matters arising from the above Minutes: The Chairman reported that he had received an email from the Planning Department stating that a report from the architect working on behalf of the owners of the Craffryn was awaited, stating possible remedies for the unauthorised work which had been done. Also it was stated that a Planning Officer had visited Tynywern and discussed on-site activities with the land owners. It is likely that Development Management will be seeking the submission of a retrospective planning application in order to regularise the current situation.

Cllr H Lewis reported that Planning Application P/2015/1033 for erection of log cabins at Tanhouse had been rejected.

4 Correspondence: New refuse and recycling collection search facility has been launched. It can be found on the 'Bin Collection' page at the following address:

www.powys.gov.uk/en/bins-rubbish-recycling/bin-collection-day/

It will enable residents to enter their postcodes to check their future waste collection dates. Discrepancies may arise due to issues with postcodes: these should be reported using the feedback form at the bottom of the page.

5 Consideration of Planning Applications None received

6 Reports from representatives on:

6.1 **Dolau Primary School Governing Body:** The Chairman reported that a meeting had been held at Powys County Hall in front of Cabinet Members and representatives of a number of small schools which have low numbers of children on roll. At this meeting there had been discrepancies between the official numbers of pupils in school and the figures given by the representatives. There was disagreement also concerning the cost per pupil in each of these small schools and the average cost across the county. An

open meeting concerning the possible closure of Dolau School will be held in the Community Hall on Monday 1st February commencing at 6:00pm. Cllr Shelton proposed that the Chairman and Cllr Powell should prepare a presentation for the next Council meeting to support Dolau School.

6.2 Dolau Recreation Association: Council received a statement of DRA's Receipts and Payments for the year ended 31st October 2015. The Chairman reported that there had been a large increase in the consumption of heating oil but the reason for this was not fully understood. Council instructed the Clerk to hand over the grant of £720 owing for the year. The Chairman reported that the DRA intend to celebrate the Queen's anniversary on the second Sunday in June with an Afternoon tea. Also there will be two Nights Out events, the first being on 6th May with Arabian Nights produced by Shifting Sands Theatre, and the second in October.

7 Appointment of new Clerk: Councillors decided that a good prospective candidate for the post should be interviewed as soon as possible.

8 Any other business (at Chairman's discretion): The Chairman reported that there had been a delay in obtaining a grant from the British Heart Foundation towards the cost of a defibrillator. The next allocation of grants will be made in the first week in April when we expect to be at or near the top of the waiting list. The Clerk reported that the documents submitted to Lloyds Bank for new signatories to the Relief in Need Charity had gone through to the Business section for approval.

9 Dates of future meetings: The next two meetings will be held on 18th February and 17th March.

R K J Trend
Clerk/RFO