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**Draft Minutes of a meeting held on Thursday 28th March 2024 in Four Crosses Village Centre
at 7.30 p.m**
(Meeting also available via zoom)

Present: Chairman Cllr C M Jenner presided, Cllrs Frances Buckingham, D C Harris, D M Foulkes, Mrs D Kendall, Mrs V Holloway, E A Jones and W J Lee

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs N H Savage and D M E Lloyd 2024/135

Minutes of the last meeting held on Thursday 22nd February 2024 had been circulated. The Minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman. 2024/136

Matters arising from meeting of 22nd February 2024.

2024/137 (2023/549) Thanks were given to Cllr Mark Foulkes who has installed the sign by the second Lime Tree

2024/138 (2024/71) County Cllr Jonathan Wilkinson has been on holiday in Australia but is now back and had been invited to join the meeting as Chairman of the Severn catchment liaison group. – Invitation had been accepted but no attendance. Clerk to find latest position.

2024/139 (2024/72) Replanting of the roundabout on A483 has now been completed – Clerk to send a freedom of Information request as to the cost of this work. Councillors were concerned that this work has been done but still no signage to show that there is a Pedestrian Crossing – Clerk also to point out that once the trees get established and grow that the line of vision to the Pedestrian lights will be impaired.

2024/140 (2024/73) Severn Trent have replied to say that the results of the Drainage surveys of neighbouring properties at Canal Road have highlighted 3 leaking manholes – repair work has now been for June – it was agreed to delay holding a meeting until this work has been completed.

2024/141 (2024/77) Chris Gilliard, NIB's has replied to say sorry no second-hand Defibrillator's available at the moment. Clerk has made contact with an Electrician re: giving an estimate to wire a Defibrillator into the Phone Box at Llys Rhysnant but was unable to locate the sources of the Electric. Clerk to contact B.T

2024/142 (2024/82) CCTV photos have been supplied to Dyfed-Powys Police as requested. Clerk to check with ORP as to why the CCTV File had been imported onto the memory stick and also to ask if one of the cameras could be changed to Infra-red.

2024/143 (2024/95) Russell George M.S has replied to say that NRW are still in discussion with Welsh Gov re; ratification of extension to Sarn Wen boundary

2024/144 (2024/124) Planning permission has now been granted re: Calcott Hall and the property will be up for Sale. It was a shame that a potential buyer had walked away due to the length of time it has taken the Planning Dept to grant the planning permission. Current owners have made the property as secure a possible.

2024/145 (2024/129) Reply received from Highways Dept re: 20mph & 30mph signage in the Village to say that the section running past Morrison's Local/Garage was accidentally missed off the Order and so remains 30mph until the next review. It also confirmed that no repeater signs are necessary on City Lane as this is automatically a 20mph and also confirmed that the 30mph speed roundel will be reinstated shortly on the B4393 by Maesteg.

Sports & Recreation

2024/146 Maintenance log for March completed by Cllr Donna –other maintenance work on the Play equipment has been completed & Invoice received from Mr A Jones for £106.00. Bolts on the bottom of one of the items in the Outdoor Gym need tightening. Cllr Dave offered to complete for April.

2024/147 Dogs are being left to run loose on the Playing Field despite the signage which asks them to be on a lead – Cllrs were asked to get a name & address of such people which will then be passed on to the PCSO.

2024/148 Invoice received from Clira Ltd for £72.00

2024/149 Both Contractors have now sent a copy of their Third Party Liability Insurance and their Risk Assessment

2024/150 Information from Scottish Power that the direct debit will increase from £90 to £147.51 due to increased cost of standing charge – Clerk repeated the request for a smart meter

2024/151 Football Fixtures details received from Four Crosses Football Club

2024/152 Notice of Discretionary Rate Relief received from Powys County Council.

County Cllr Arwel update

2024/153 Cllr Arwel gave a verbal update on the meetings he had attended and explained that the Budget had been agreed with an increase of 7.5%.

2024/154 He had been reminding the Highways Inspector for a timescale for the work to be scheduled following the site meeting on the 26th Jan. He will now refer to the Highways Manager.

2024/155 He had also reported the addition of soil by Llanymynech Bridge to NRW and received assurance that an Exemption certificate had been given and the site monitored.

2024/156 Cllr Arwel explained that Maes Offa fields, now part of The Grange at Arddleen, have been offered to an existing tenant for 12 months but that this didn't include the field which had previously been requested for Allotments. He had brought to the attention of the Estates Manager that the roadside hedges had not been cut which affects the visibility of other properties and received assurance that this work would be carried out for safety reasons.

Planning

2024/157 Planning permission requested for 24/0279/FUL siting of 4 Geodome tents on decking areas, 4 x associated decking areas for outdoor seating baths & bbq area, provision of toilet, with connection into a new foul water septic tank, formation of access pathways and car parking (retrospective) at Laburnum House, Bryn Mawr for Mr & Mrs Pownall. Councillors considered the reasons given for the refusal of the previous application and felt that the new application did not satisfactorily address any of these concerns i.e. although green paint was suggested for the white vinyl it would have to be renewed every 6 months and would not be enforceable, septic tank not acceptable as should be a Package Treatment Plant, not adequate Car parking as this is the same area allocated for the use of the Holiday Chalets and too much extra traffic for the narrow lanes. It was agreed to Object and to ask County Cllr Arwel Jones to call the application in for determination by the Planning Committee.

2024/158 It was also noted that the applicant had still not complied with the request by the Planning Department to dismantle all the Geodomes – only one has been dismantled and the sheet taken off a further 2.- request for Enforcement action to be continued.

2024/159 Planning Officer telephoned re: planning application 24/0018/REM Section 73 application to vary condition 26 of planning permission 21/1468/OUT in respect to change of wording (open play space and equipment provision) at Wychwood, Four Crosses – Clerk had sent details of the quote received to replace the Play equipment at Foxen Manor for consideration.

2024/160 Planning Officer had confirmed that a start had been made to the original application at the Four crosses Inn – Clerk has explained that this took place on the 29th Feb 2024 i.e. a day after the planning permission had lapsed. County Cllr Arwel will also raise with the Planning Officer

2024/161 Barcud were unaware that Pickstocks had arranged an Open Morning at Cae Offa building site – they would repeat this to the Community council if wanted. Clerk reported the concerns of local residents with regard to inconsiderate parking of construction vehicles on the road and the blocking of the footpath – it was agreed that an official complaint will be made. Clerk to also find out how and where the connection to the sewerage system will be made.

2024/162 Clerk to send a freedom of Information request as to the capacity of the sewerage works at Four Crosses.

Correspondence

2024/163 Details received of the Urdd's Fund for All offering free places for a child's summer camp

2024/164 Notice received from Gloversure Ltd that their hourly rate is increasing

2024/165 Invitation received to a Tree Nursery Day at Lake Vyrnwy organized by Vibrant Vyrnwy

2024/166 Details received from P.A.V.O of a new Skills for Sustainability being offered to voluntary organisations using the UK Shared Prosperity Fund

2024/167 Details received from P.A.V.O of a new Digital Volunteering pathways Project helping break own the barriers to Digital

2024/168 Details received from Powys County Council of a Webinar to discuss a ‘Sustainable Powys’ – Cllr Dave Harris represented the Community Council. Cllr Frances offered to write to the Portfolio Holder as we have been down this road before. Emphasis on meeting was to work together to create community resilience. There would be 4 key areas – nearest would be Welshpool.

2024/169 Donation request from Llandysilio Church towards the cost of maintenance of the Cemetery and the running costs of Old School House. Cllr Mrs Donna Kendall declared an interest by virtue of being a member of Llandysilio Church Committee and withdrew from the meeting. It was proposed by Cllr W J Lee and seconded by Cllr Frances Buckingham that £800 be given as a Grant towards the cemetery and £500 towards Old School House.

2024/170 Update received from Powys County Council to confirm that they are having a system of having a duty Planning Officer available by telephone 10-12 and 2-4 p.m during weekdays

2024/171 Cllr W J Lee gave an update re: Little Tysilio’s to say that the work to add a fence may have to be done by approved contractors which will increase the cost.- more details to follow.

2024/172 Report had been received from the Deytheur Trust Representative which had been circulated.

2024/173 Confirmation received from the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales that all Councillors will need to be paid £156. The Council can elect to pay £52 for consumables or to reimburse. Clerk was asked to double check whether this is indeed mandatory.

2024/174 Invitation from Canal & River Trust to attend an ‘open morning’ on Thursday 14th March – Cllr Mark Foulkes represented the Community Council – a lot of money has been spent on this Project that, without the work to replace the bridges & repair the Aqueduct, will be wasted as the Canal will re-silt.

2024/175 Donation request for Grant from Four Crosses Village Centre – Cllr Arwel Jones declared an interest by virtue of being a member of the Village Centre Committee and withdrew from the meeting. Clerk explained that there is a problem with a collapsed drain under the storeroom which has led to subsidence and a sinking of the gable end – repairs will costs £80k+. It was proposed by Cllr W J Lee and seconded by Cllr C M Jenner that a Grant of £2800.00 be awarded towards the running costs with a request that if any is needed towards the repair of the gable for the Committee to write again.

2024/176 Email received from Bus Shelter Officer at Powys County Council to say that he might be able to replace the 2 bus shelters under the Trans Cymru Funding in the next Financial year – this was warmly welcomed.

2024/177 Training dates had been received from One Voice Wales for April to June which will be circulated to all Councillors.

2024/178 Resident of Parc Hafod had written requesting that the shrubs are trimmed again , similar to 2 years ago. Clerk will request quotes and also ask for survey of the 2 trees which are close by.

2024/179 Email from Llandrindod Wells Town Council asking for support in their motion to Powys County Council seeking a referendum on the proposed Wind farms for Powys – noted.

2024/180 Invitation received from the Friends of Montgomery canal to the next Meeting of the Canal Forum on 22nd April in the Royal Oak, Welshpool.

2024/181 Details received from Llais of the Professional Standards for Health 7 Social Care Consultation – noted.

Accounts

2024/182 Bank Accounts at 28th March 2024;-

Current Account	£ 659.47
Sports & Recreation Acc	£ 1923.94
Deposit Account	£29465.74
Parc Hafod	£27622.78

Bank statements were checked and initialed by Chairman Cllr C M Jenner

2024/183 Permission granted to pay;-

- i) Mr Arwel Jones £106.00 under s19 (3) L.G (misc purposes) Act 1976
- ii) Clira Ltd monthly maintenance £72.00 under s19 (3) L.G (misc purposes) Act 1976
- iii) Mrs C E Davies Salary + Expenses 01.01 – 31.03.2024 £1224.38 under L.G.A 1972 s112
- iv) H M Revenue & Customs (P.A. Y.E + N.I.C) £329.95 under L.G.A 1972 s112
- v) Membership of One Voice Wales £217.00 under L.G.A 1972 s112
- vi) Shaw & Sons Ltd £222.00 under L.G.A 1972 s112
- vii) Gloversure Ltd £113.28 (Update Website) under L.G.A 1972 s112

- viii) One Voice Wales Training x 2 £76.00 under L.G.A 1972 s112
 - ix) Llandysilio Church £800 under L.G.A 1972 s214 (6)
 - x) Old School House £500.00 under s 19 (3) L.G (Misc purposes) Act 1976
 - xi) Four Crosses Village Centre £2800,00 under s 19 (3) L.G (Misc purposes) Act 1976
 - xii) Mrs C E Davies (reimbursement of Defib battery/pads) £126.00 under s 19 (3) L.G (Misc purposes) Act 1976
 - xiii) Mrs C E Davies (reimbursement of Viking stationary) £107.39 under L.G.A 1972 s112
- 2024/184 Budget as at 31.03.2024 was discussed and agreed.

Complaints

- 2024/185 Update re: planeings for Village Centre/School Carpark and also requested for Carpark by St Tysilio Church – Cllr Arwel will remind Powys County Council and Clerk will also ask Criggion Quarry to see if they would donate any scalpings or tarmac.
- 2024/186 Extra bollard requested by the Underpass to prevent vehicles entering the Underpass
- 2024/187 Llandysilio School have also reported the problem with the light in the Carpark to Powys County Council and it has now been repaired.
- 2024/188 County Cllr Arwel has reported a problem with drainage at Haughton – Highways have confirmed that they will investigate
- 2024/189 Notice of road closures received of the A458 between Ford and Churncote and also A483 at Mile End
- 2024/190 Still waiting for the pothole on Courthouse Lane to be repaired.
- 2024/191 Concern over the finish of the recently re-surfaced section of the A483 from the Roundabout to Maerdy Junction – Clerk to ask Mid Wales Trunk Road Agency if this meets the required standard.
- 2024/192 Dog fouling along the Canal remains a problem – Clerk to look for appropriate signage
- 2024/193 Blocked drain at the entrance to Foxen Manor would be reported to the Highways Dept

Any other business

- 2024/194 Thanks were given to the residents who had done a recent litter pick – very much appreciated.

Meeting closed 9.25 p.m

Next Meeting;- Thursday 25th April 2024