

Felinfach Community Council
Minutes of Regular meeting held on
Wednesday 18th November 2015
Llandefalle Hall 6.30pm

Present: G Jones(Chairwoman),C. Morgan, R. Carrotte, J.Owen-Lowe
S. Brown, J.Pryce .W. Thornton
D. Rowlands(Clerk)

Apologies I. Robinson, G.Price

Declaration of interest -None

Minutes of last meeting we signed and dated as a true account.

Matters Arising

1. Clerk Researched the new prices for The Audit General for Wales, who will become the statutory Auditor for the Town & Community Councils for the foreseeable future, the estimated charges on their website for the Councils expenditure will most probably increase , from the BDO's charges, previous years charges have ranged from £175-£350, where as we paid £210, last year. .

2. Concurrent Functions and Village Hall Grants - Future funding

Clerk contacted Powys County Council with regarding this year's funding, the payment is being processed and should be paid direct into the bank, but they were unable to advise how much the grant would be.

It appears that Powys have concluded discussions relating to the village Hall Grants, as Cllr J.Owen-Lowe (Llandefalle) and Cllr Thornton(Llanfilo) who are on the Hall Committee's have already received notification that the grants will be reduced, for next year, and will be phased out the year after.

3. **Repairs to Cattle Grids** - Clerk was contacted by Trevor Tame of Powys County Council advising that he has put into place for the rail and post to be renewed adjoining the Cattle grid leading on to Llangloed Common, and for the cattle grids to be cleaned, when the machine has finished cleaning on the trunk roads. also that the back road between Bronllys & Brynhaul will hopefully be swept through within the next 2-3 weeks.

Planning

1. **P/2015/0958** - Application for removal of conditions 3,4 & 5 from planning P/2012/0896 (code of sustainable homes) at Trebarried Farm Llandefalle, Brecon. - no objection
2. **P/2015/0966** - Change of use of Stables to include residential conversion as part of a scheme for economic re-use at the Stables, Llandefalle, Brecon. - lack of detail for end use, more information needed. Clerk to write to Planning Dept.
3. Clerk received notification from Planning Dept. that as from 1st January 2016 all planning consultations to Town /Community Councils will be sent electronically.

Correspondence

1. **Gwernyfed High School** - Clerk received a request from Cllr Andrew Jones, chairman of Gwernyfed Community Council, for Felinfach Community Council to support them with their fight to keep Gwernyfed High School open, he has forwarded e-mails that he has sent to County Councillor Arwel Jones, regarding this issue, along with a reply from Cllr Arwel Jones, explaining that Powys is currently reconsidering the future direction of high school provision in the Brecon & Gwernyfed catchment area.
If the Cabinet decides to proceed with any recommendations that the School Organisation review Panel (SORP) makes, then a formal consultation process will commence and then the Communities will be able to contribute. Cllr Morgan suggested that Felinfach C.C. should start to collate information in preparation for the consultation.
Clerk to write to Mr Arwel Jones, asking to be kept informed of any developments, especially when the consultation period will commence.

- 2. Bronllys Wellbeing Park** - Clerk received an e-mail from Lydia Powell, requesting that Bronllys Park be included in the Councils Neighbourhood /community plans, enclosing a proposed plan of the site. She has offered to attend a C.C meeting to give a 10min presentation which includes their plans for the site and a recently completed outline business plan. Clerk to reply to Lydia Powell inviting her to the next meeting.
- 3. Web-site Advertising** - Clerk raised the idea of having an advertisement page on the website, that could possibly increase revenue, to go towards funding the Community Halls, due to the pending support from Powys County Council being withdrawn. It was deemed that entering into charging for adverts would raise issues with vat, and Cllr Morgan was not in favour of having adverts for local business and establishment, as it could be deemed as favouritism. Cllr Owen-Lowe suggested that what would be helpful was to put an advert, advertising that Llandefalle Hall and Llanfilo Old School was available to hire, Cllr Thornton & Cllr Owen-Lowe to forward charges for the halls to the Clerk, who will put details on the web-site.

Finance

1. Balance of current account £8571.54
2. Balance of reserve account £ 346.81
3. Invoice Paid K.Williams - £ 300.00

A.O.B

The date for the next meeting has been arranged for the_ Tuesday 19th January 2016 6.30pm at Llanfilo Old School

Signed

Date