Minutes of a meeting of Meifod Community Council, held on Monday, 28th July, 2014, in the Village Hall, Meifod.

Present:

Cllrs. J. Wilkinson(in the Chair), D.F. Breeze, Mrs R.H. Jones, A. Williams, W. Evans, G. Owen and Mrs E.Jones.

Two members of the public present who were reminded that this was not an open meeting, and comments could not be made, and secondly, in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to meetings) Act 1960, it is unlawful to make a tape recording of this meeting.

1. Apologies for absence: Cllr. P. Mace.
2. Minutes of the last meeting: Proposed by Cllr G. Owen and seconded by Cllr. A. Williams that they be signed by the Chairman. All agreed.
3. Matters arising from the Minutes:
4. Item 10b – Cllr. Mrs E.Jones reported that a new Liaison Officer has been appointed by Powys C.C. – Sue Simpson. Her role will be to liaise between town/community councils and Powys C.C. All agreed that Sue Simpson be invited to a meeting in the Autumn. Clerk to email expressing our support.
5. Correspondence:
6. Newsletter from Russell George regarding the Mid Wales Conjoined Wind Farm Inquiry. Contents noted.
7. Powys C.C. Grounds Maintenance Service 2014 – letter advising of the service available for this year.
8. Local Development Plan – responses to be received by 8th September, 2014. Clerk to place on agenda for next meeting.
9. Email from Barbara Dennis, The Smithy, Bwlchycibau (copy of email sent to Mark Chapman, Rights of Way, Powys C.C.) regarding various public rights of way in Bwlchycibau, and clay shooting taking place near these paths. Cllr. J. Wilkinson declared an interest and temporarily left the meeting. Clerk requested to email Mark Chapman to ask for an update, and to express the support of the Community Council in keeping the public footpaths clear and safe.
10. Planning:

Cllr. Mrs E. Jones does not vote on planning issues.

1. VAR/2014/0045 – Application to discharge Section 106 planning obligation attached to planning permission M/2001/0992 (occupancy restriction) at Spring Bank, Geuffordd, Guilsfield.

Members agreed that as this was a legal agreement, then they were not in a position to make a decision, but they did feel that they were not supportive of lifting Section 106’s generally, as this was the reason for the granting of planning permissions in many cases.

1. P2014/0573 – Erection of a single storey side extension and installation of sewerage treatment plant with soakaway at Pwll y Hwyaidd, Trefnanney.

Cllr. D.F. Breeze reported that this was a necessity – to provide accommodation for elderly parents.

Proposed by Cllr. G. Owen and seconded by Cllr. D.F. Breeze that this be supported. All agreed.

1. P2014/0696 – Internal alterations to include installation off structural restraints and replacement ceiling joists at Tanyfron, Meifod.

Proposed by Cllr. G. Owen and seconded by Cllr. A. Williams that this application be supported on the grounds that it was all internal works that would not affect anyone else, and it was necessary works in order to continue the upgrading of the property. All agreed.

6 Finance:

1. Donation from Severn Trent Water – letter received from Meifod Recreation Ass. Requesting that an amount out of this be considered towards the refurbishment of the Village Hall toilets.

A number of other projects were also brought to the attention of members, including the upgrading of the Interpretation Board in the Car Park, improvements to the kitchen facilities in the Church(Cllr. Mrs E. Jones declared an interest) and flower containers for the village. The Chairman agreed to obtain an estimate from Hugh Morgan for the Interpretation Board and the Clerk requested to place this on the agenda for the next meeting.

1. Highways and Footpaths:
2. The Chairman reported that a meeting had taken place with Carl Hobbs, Site Manager for Severn Trent, and the Car Park was due to be resurfaced w/c 11th August.
3. Concern expressed regarding the congestion on Cil/Glyndwr Road – a number of HGV’s are using the road due to the Pontscowrhyd diversion. Cllr. Mrs E. Jones stated that she had requested some signs advising that this road was not suitable for large vehicles, except for access.
4. National Grid road counters – these had been put in place without many members of Powys C.C. Highways being aware of them. They had now been removed.
5. Any other business: None.
6. Press Release: Clerk to advise of main contents of meeting.

Meeting concluded at 8.35pm.

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Date: ……………………………………………………………………………………….