Minutes of a meeting of Meifod Community Council, held on Monday, 29h February, 2016, in the Village Hall, Meifod.

Present:

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

The first part of the meeting was addressed by Tim England (NRW), Martin Cox(NRW), Noel Hughes(STW) and Martin Turner(STW).

Matters under discussion included details of the Vyrnwy Flood Drawdown and the condition of the argae in the Meifod area.

They were thanked by the Chairman for attending.

Condolences expressed to Cllr. A. Williams and family on the death of his father.

1. Apologies for absence: None.
2. Minutes of the last meeting:

Proposed by Cllr. A. Williams and seconded by Cllr. J. Williams that they be signed by the Chairman. All agreed.

1. Matters arising from the Minutes: None.
2. Correspondence:
3. Powys C.C. Local Dev. Plan 2015 – Schedule of Focussed Changes now available for public consultation for six weeks.
4. Powys C.C. – Glyndwr’s Way National Trail – changes to public Rights of Way at Ty Newydd, Meifod. Following discussion, it was agreed that there were no objections to the proposals.
5. Letter from Meifod Recreation Ass. Thanking for the donation of £1,000.00 and £350.00 towards the Play Area.
6. Letter from Meifod Parochial Church Council, thanking for the donation of £100.00.
7. North Montgomeryshire local Council Forum – minutes of meeting held on the 12th January, 2016, and agenda for next meeting on the 15th March.
8. Letter from Jeremy Patterson, Chief Executive, Powys C.C. in response to letter sent regarding the breakdown of the “clustering” project. Members agreed that this response was very “general” and was not specific to the Llanfyllin project. Clerk requested to forward a copy to Russell George A.M.
9. Copy of email from John Brautigam to Lisa Griffiths, Powys C.C. in response to the letter from Jeremy Patterson. Contents noted.
10. Planning:

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

1. P/2016/0098 – Erection of an agricultural building for livestock housing and all associated works at Land at Broniarth Farm, Pentrebeirdd.

No objections received.

Proposed by Cllr. A. Williams and seconded by Cllr. Mrs R.H. Jones that this application be supported. All agreed.

1. TREE/2016/0003 – Proposed works to two trees in a conservation area at Afallon, Meifod.

Following discussion it was agreed that there was not enough information within this application to make a decision. The reason for the felling was not stated. Clerk to request further information.

1. Finance:
2. Invoice from D.M. Johnson for the cleaning of the toilets – 26.01.2016 to 26.02.2016 = 19hrs @ £9.00 per hour = £171.00. Proposed by Cllr. P. Mace and seconded by Cllr. G. Owen that this be paid. All agreed.

The Chairman advised that there had been a leak in a pipe in the storeroom at the back, which had been repaired by Tomi White(Plumber). He had advised that all the pipes are corroded and could do with being replaced in the near future at an approximate cost off £500.00. All agreed that the Clerk contact Powys C.C. to see if a contribution could be gained from them.

1. Highways and Footpaths:

Cllr. Mrs E. Jones reported that a bid had been submitted to the Welsh Assembly for capital funding for works to improve the A495 at Ceunant.

Clerk requested to inform Powys C.C. Highways of the following:

1. A495 by Kings Head, Meifod – erosion of tarmac around manhole cover and sinkage around the highway verge.
2. A495 – road surface breaking up by Afallon and by the entrances to Cae Robert and Cae Dafydd.
3. A490 – Bwlchycibau bank – road surface is again breaking up.
4. Interpretation Board:

Mr & Mrs Ward attended the meeting to give an update on the work being undertaken on the new board. Final draft of the information to be put on the board was presented, and all members agreed that an excellent job had been done. The Chairman expressed the thanks of the Community Council to Mr & Mrs Ward. It is hoped to have the Board ready for Easter, with an official opening by Russell George A.M. It is also hoped that leaflets will be produced at a cost of £233.00 for 1,000 or £388.00 for 5,000 – these are to be A3 in size and in full colour. They could be sold at 25p per leaflet and this would recuperate the cost.

1. Any other business:
2. Old School Building, Meifod – a meeting took place recently to discuss the future of the building which is in disrepair. Cllrs. Mrs E. Jones, Mrs R.H. Jones and J. Williams attended the meeting. A number of suggestions were made, including the conversion to two dwellings, a meeting room, shop. Anyone with further suggestions were requested to contact Nigel Baldwin.
3. Congratulations were extended to members of Meifod Panto, who have raised in excess of £2,000 towards local causes.

The meeting concluded at 9.20pm.