Minutes of a Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 24th November 2015 at 7.30pm.

Present: Mrs Margaret Price(Chair), Mr David Williams, CCllr Rosemarie Harris, Mrs Elizabeth Gibbs, Mr David Mantle & Mr David Filsell.

Guests: Mr Simon Smith who came to talk about defibrillator training, Mr Jody Oliver who came to talk about the Primary School.

- 1. **Apologies for absence:** Mr David Evans, Mr Brian Griffiths, Mr Gene Taylor & Mr Paul Lindoewood.
- 2. Declaration of interest in items of business listed below: None.
- 3. The Minutes of the council meeting held on 27th October 2015. The minutes were approved and signed by the Chair. Proposed by GM and seconded by DM.

4. Correspondence:

- a. Remittance Advice from Powys County Council for recycling £363.66. *Circulation*
- b. Zurich offer of insurance renewal see item 14.
- *c.* Powys County Council planning consultations to be issued electronically from 1st January 2016. *Circulation*
- d. Welsh Government Alternative delivery methods in public service delivery: An action plan for consultation. *Circulation*
- e. Thank you letter from a young resident. Circulation
- f. Letter from Llangynidr Agricultural Show Society see item 15.
- g. Letter from a resident applying for a Young Person's Award. See item 9.
- *h.* Powys County Council letter raising the County Council's current and future financial situation. *Circulation & copy to MP*
- i. "Paths for people" a guide by Ramblers Cymru.
- j. Email from Chair of Bronllys Well-being Park Steering Group requesting to present about the well-being park to the Community Council. *Possibility for 5 Councils' next agenda*.
- k. Public Services Ombudsman for Wales's casebook July to September 2015. *Circulation*
- l. Friends of Crickhowell Library Newsletter November/December 2015. Circulation
- *m.* Welsh Government Community and Town Councils, a newsletter October 2015. *Circulation*

5. Clerk's Report.

Late correspondence for information only:

Powys County Council – letter to apprise the community council of changes to the planned support for community delivery. *Circulation*

Sustainability Training in Builth Wells, Wednesday 9th December in the Strand at 6.30pm. *Circulation*

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Powys County Council - Notice of rubbish collections moving to 3 weekly collections from November. *Circulation*

Police and Crime Commissioner – request for participation in a consultation about the cost of policing. *Circulation*

One Voice Wales response to the Welsh Government's consultation on the statutory guidance for the well-being of future generation (Wales) Act 2015. *Circulation*

Brecon Beacons Nation Park - Agenda for BBNP Local Access Forum, Thursday 26th November at 2pm, Libanus. *Circulation* Board of Community Health Councils – request for members of Community Health Councils. *Circulation*

Red Cross, appeal for funding. Circulation

Powys County Council – notice of amount of rates due on the public conveniences (£428.98) covered by a grant from Powys County Council. *Circulation*

A report on the costs involved in running the public conveniences has been completed. A copy will go on circulation.

All actions from October have been completed.

6. Finances.

- *a.* **Statement of accounts -** balance per Cash Book was £28399.42 on 31st October 2015.
- *b.* Cheques approved for payment in October 2015.

£37.50
£306.21
£114.50
£86.47
£246.00

c. Cheques to be approved for payment in November 2015.

Cleaning the Car Park (Nov & Dec)	£75.00
Clerk's Wages & Stationery Allowance (Nov&Dec)	£612.42
Cleaner's wages (Nov&Dec)	£229.00
Grass Cutting Contract 2015	£575.00
Maintenance for the public conveniences(SDale)	£50.00
Village Hall contribution	£3000.00
Young Person's Award	£50.00
Gift in lieu of service (SDale for Internal Auditor)	£17.99
Poppy Wreath	£17.00
Young Person's Award	£50.00
Initial-rentokil sanitation (SDale)	£191.52

7. Report from the County Councillor. There is a comprehensive spending review in the county council and services will be cut. Melin homes had an open day at the Castell Clos development,

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attended by Kirsty Williams AM, the Chief Executive of Melin Homes and representatives of the builders, R and M Williams. The future of designated landscapes report is being discussed within the County Council and considered by the Welsh Government.

- 8. Training Training to use the village hall defibrillator may be arranged if enough volunteers can be found in the village. To be discussed and action agreed. Adjourned from October meeting. Each session of the defibrillator training takes about 1 hour and 15 minutes, 12-15 people can be trained. If anyone would like to be trained, set to take place in January next year, please contact the Clerk on 730 202. The Clerk is also to write to Crickhowell Volunteer Bureau, who maintains the defibrillator, to ask for an additional set of adult pads and a set of pediatric pads as recommended by the trainer.
- 9. Young Person's award appeal from a resident raising funds for charity. To be discussed and action agreed. £50.00 awarded, Clerk to write to resident.
- 10. Website updating worth up to £140 could be done. To be discussed and action agreed. Agreed. Clerk to arrange.
- 11. Pont Ganol Wood DW has talked to the Headteacher at the Primary School who is interested in utilizing Pont Ganol Wood for her school if it can be arranged with Wales and West. To be discussed and action agreed. Clerk to write to Wales and West.
- 12. The Clerk has nearly finished the land registry work for the Community Council. The final stage involves obtaining valuations of each piece of land. The cost of this is likely to be about £500. To be discussed and action agreed. Resolved that the Clerk will arrange the valuations and complete the work.
- 13. Recent planning events have raised the issue of the ownership of the wash lanes off Mardy Lane and James Street. To be discussed and action agreed. Resolved that the Community Council will visit the wash lanes in the Spring.
- 14. Insurance for the community council 3 quotes have been sought. To be discussed and action agreed. Only 2 quotes were sent to the Clerk, they were near each other in terms of cost but the Council choose the quote from Zurich as the established insurer.
- 15.LASS request for the Community Council's help with signposting for Llangynidr from the A465. To be discussed and action agreed. After completion of the next phase of building work, access to Llangynidr should be easier. The Council decided not to take any action at this time. Clerk to write to LASS.
- 16. Powys County Council's car parking review is underway, are there any car parking concerns to raise. To be discussed and action agreed. *Uplands, Pencommin junction and outside the*

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shop have all been identified as difficult for parking. Clerk to update the parking map. Anyone with additional parking concerns, please contact the Clerk on 730 202.

17. Reports from other meetings attended: The 5 Councils' Liaison Committee went well on the 3rd November with the Chief Executive of Powys County Council speaking to the meeting.

- 18. Any agenda items for the next meeting from Councillors. Post of the Hall gate into the Car Park is loose. Correction to October 2015 planning minutes to be made.
- 19. Date of Next Meeting: 26th January 2016. 20th January 2016 Precept meeting.

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