**Trefeglwys Community Council**

**Minutes of the Meeting held on**

**Tuesday 23rd January 2024 at Trefeglwys Memorial Hall**

**Councillors:** Cllr. D Jerman

Cllr. B Crone

Cllr. E Short

Cllr. N Bennett

Cllr. M Smith

Cllr. J Anwyl

**Present:** Heather Cockcroft

The Chair welcomed Heather Cockcroft as the new Clerk.

The Chair informed Members that Paul Tranter had resigned as a Councillor.

1. **Apologies** Cllr. E Meddins
2. **Declarations of Interest**Cllr. N Bennett and Cllr. D Pugh queried Green Gen Proposal and are seeking legal advice.
3. **Confirmation of the minutes of the meeting held on 19th December 2023** The minutes were proposed as an accurate record by Cllr. D Pugh and seconded by Cllr. B Crone

1. **Matters Arising**
   1. **Appointment of Clerk -** Contract given, Clerk to sign and return at next meeting.
   2. **Notification of road closures-** Discussed.
   3. **Bus service through Trefeglwys**- Still under discussion with PCC
   4. **Precept request 2024/2025** Has been acknowledged, sent and received by PCC
   5. **Council website –** Clerk to provide 3 quotes for TCC Website. Clerk to email agendas and minutes to community members who request them. *Clerk to action*
   6. **Green Gen**- Cllr. E Short is to send an approved letter to Cllr. Mitchell in regard to Green Gen Cymru and local community concerns. It will be advised that Cllr. Mitchell initiates meetings to discuss local community concern and formulate a strategy for going forward. *Cllr. Short to action*
   7. **Digital switchover** – Service Provider will contact individuals before switchover
   8. **Hybrid meetings**- Cllr. E Short has contacted PCC and awaiting reply
2. **Correspondence**

* 1. **Welsh Government** Consultation on future spending purposes for dormant assets funding in Wales - Noted
  2. **Welsh Government** Consultation on the enquiry into fiscal intergovernmental relations **-** Noted and discussed in detail
  3. **MAWWFIRE** consultation - Noted and Discussed
  4. **OVW** Digital Health of Community & Town Councils programme training sessions – *No action*
  5. **GoSafe** Community Speed watch- Forwarded to Tony Orme *Clerk to action*
  6. **PCC** Powys Replacement Local Development Plan (LDP) - Noted
  7. **EMRTS** Air ambulance update- Noted

1. **Planning**
2. **Application Ref: 23/1817/FUL** Grid Reference: E:296137 N: 290913 Proposal: Erection of a building to cover an existing manure store Site Address: Pen Y Graig , Trefeglwys, Caersws, Powys SY17 5RG – Members had previously approved by email due to time constraints
3. **Reports**
4. **OVW**

Cllr. D Pugh, Area Representative of OVW Montgomeryshire attended the Area Committee Meeting on the 15th January 2024.

The Chief Executive of PPC Emma Palmer attended the meeting to address members and outline three main strategic priorities :

1. To put in place a corporate leadership team structure
2. To achieve a sustainable Powys, especially with regard to its future budget and funding arrangements
3. To enhance and develop existing and new partnerships between Powys CC and others across the county, including town and community councils.

There was discussion regarding what role town and community councils had in the future work of the Powys Public Service Board. It was stated that membership of PSB’s was fixed in legislation and that town and community councils needed to play an active an active role in assisting the strategic work of the PSB and helping it to achieve its broader strategic objectives. The CEO also put forward that she didn’t see the County Council making significant progress without effective and meaningful joint working between PCC and local community and town councils.

The next meeting will be on the 16th April.

1. **Finances/Accounts**
   1. Account Balances
2. Current account - £11,973.97
3. Windfarm account - £12,686.29
   1. Payments:
4. Payment to former Clerk- Defer until February
5. HMRC - Defer until February
6. Laptop battery PC-q – Defer until February.
7. Bank charges - £18
   1. Receipts:
8. Precept - £1,666
9. Interest on Windfarm account- £92.14
   1. Bank account access:
10. Cllr. Short signatory
11. Access for new Clerk
12. Removal of former Clerk - Defer until February for previous Clerk
13. Removal of former Counsellor Tranter

The above bank account charges were agreed unanimously by Councillors. *Clerk to action*

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1. **Any other business**

**a) Resignations** - Cllr.Tranter resigned due to personal and family reasons

**b)** **Election of new Councellor** - Members have decided to defer discussion regarding the election of new

Counsellor until February meeting

1. **Time and date of next meeting -** Tuesday 27th February 2024 7.30pm at Trefeglwys Memorial Hall