Minutes of a meeting of Meifod Community Council, held on Monday, 25th April, 2016, in the Village Hall, Meifod.

Present:

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

1. Apologies for absence: Cllrs. P. Mace and W. Evans.
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 7c - Meifod Toilets Water Bill – email sent by Cllr. Mrs E. Jones to Alastair Knox, Powys C.C. read out, and as a consequence, Powys C.C. have agreed to reimburse the Community Council some of the amount of the large bill. As the repairs to the water system has only just been done, the Clerk is requested to write to Severn Trent Water and request a reduction in the next bill.
5. Item 8b – the Chairman reported that he had cleared his section of the footpath.
6. Item 8a – the Chairman reported that a productive site meeting had taken place on the A495 by Ceunant, with Cllr. Mrs E. Jones, Toby Everard (Powys C.C.) and Alan Davies (Powys C.C.). Funding was now in place for the works that will commence as soon as possible, and in the meantime additional signage will be erected. A number of issues have been highlighted and these will be investigated – the kerbs on the road edge the road surface and the camber of the road.
7. Correspondence:
8. Letter from Local Development Plan Programme Office advising that an Exploratory Meeting will take place on the 10th May, 2016. Representatives can attend, but will not be allowed to speak.
9. Planning:

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

1. P2016/0363 – Bryn Teg Land at Cilmawr, Meifod – Erection of two mobile free range egg production units including silos, formation off access track and associated works (retrospective).

Cllrs Mrs E. Jones and A. Williams declared an interest and left the meeting.

A background to the application shows that this development started approx.. 12 months ago without planning permission, and stop notice was issued, but construction of the development continued despite this. Following discussion it was proposed by Cllr. G Owen and seconded by Cllr. Mrs R.H. Jones that the following comments be submitted –

Members wish to support the principal of a young family trying to set up a business within the community, but express concern that the applicant did not stop work in May 2015 when ordered to do so, and has taken until now to submit a planning application. Members were also concerned that as the applicant did not own land – how were lay-by’s to be constructed? If the Planning Authority were mindful to grant planning permission, then the applicant should adhere to any conditions imposed, diligently, and take notice of the concerns of members of the public. All agreed.

1. P2016/no number provided or on the web site – Erection of one detached private dwelling and all associated works, Llwynderw, Bwlchycibau. Proposed by Cllr. G. Owen and seconded by Cllr. A. Williams that this be supported – this is a starter-type, within the village boundary and the exit from the site is onto the A490. All agreed.

RESULTS:

TREE/2016/0003 – Removal of one cherry tree and one silver birch tree at Afallon, Meifod – permission given for the works to go ahead.

P2015/0998 – Conversion of outbuilding to residential dwelling etc. at Bryn Dial, Guilsfied – full planning permission granted.

P2015/0593 – Construction of new access and driveway at Plas, Cwmnantymeichiaid full planning permission granted.

P2015/0678 – Erection of an extension to free range egg production unit att Lower Fawnog, Sarnau – full planning permission granted.

P20160098 – Erection of an agricultural building etc. at Broniarth Farm, Guilsfield – full planning permission granted.

P2015/1054 – Reserved matters application for access, appearance etc. for P2011/0572 – Coedcowrhyd, Meifod - reserved matters approved.

1. Finance:
2. Aon Insurance – premium due 1st June, 2016 = £776.38. Proposed by Cllr. G. Owen and seconded by Cllr. A. Williams that this be paid. All agreed.
3. Invoice from Steve Adams for supply of toilets rolls and gloves £43.50 + VAT £8.70 = £52.20. Proposed by Cllr. G. Owen and seconded by Cllr. J. Williams that this be paid. All agreed.
4. Invoice from D.M. Johnson for the period 29/02 to 28/03/2016 – 17hrs @£9.00 per hour = £153.00. Proposed by Cllr. J. Williams and seconded by Cllr. Mrs E. Jones that this be paid. All agreed.
5. Invoice from Tomi White (Plumber) for upgrading the pipework in Meifod Toilets - £870.00 + VAT £174.00 = £1044.00. Proposed by Cllr. J. Williams and seconded by Cllr. Mrs R.H. Jones that this be paid. All agreed.
6. Invoice from Gloversure for Domain - £20.00 + VAT £4.00 = £24.00. Proposed by Cllr. A. Williams and seconded by Cllr. Mrs E. Jones that this be paid. All agreed.
7. Approval of accounts – copies of accounts for 2015/16 passed to all members present.

Asset Valuations – all members present agreed that the valuations remain as previously:

3 public Notice Boards £3,000.00

Interpretation Board £2,500.00

Bus Shelter £8,000.00

6 public seats £2,500.00

Bwlchycibau Bus shelter £7,000.00

Seat by Village Hall £ 400.00

Public Liability to remain the same.

Proposed by Cllr. A. Williams and seconded by Cllr. Mrs E. Jones that the accounts be approved, and that Mr Roy Jones be once again asked to audit them. All agreed.

1. Highways and Footpaths:

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

1. The deteriorating road surface of the A490 on Bwlchycibau bank.
2. The poor road surface between Coedcowrhyd and Haufryn.
3. The 30mph sign and the “pedestrians” sign by Broniarth Bridge have been uprooted in a recent flood.
4. Any other business:
5. Clerk to contact Powys C.C. to see if its possible to have a “dog bin” erected by Troedyrhiw, and who will then empty and dispose of its contents.
6. Congratulations card to be sent to John Andrew, Tony Isaac and Wyn Pugh on their recent charity event which raised in excess of £10,000.
7. Press Release:

Clerk to advise of main contents of meeting.

Meeting concluded at 8.20pm.

Signed: ………………………………………………………………………..

Date: ………………………………………………………………………….