Minutes of a meeting of Meifod Community Council, held on Monday, 26th October, 2015, in the Village Hall, Meifod.

Present:

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

1. Apologies for absence: Cllrs. D.F. Breeze and G. Owen.
2. Minutes of the last meeting: Proposed by Cllr. A. Williams and seconded by Cllr. Mrs R.H. Jones that they be signed by the Chairman. All agreed.
3. Matters arising from the Minutes:
4. Interpretation Board – Cllr. Mrs E. Jones advised that more information had now been gathered by Mr & Mrs Ward, and that it would be appropriate now to meet by the Public Toilets to agree on a location for the new board. Cllr. Mrs E. Jones and the Chair to arrange a meeting.
5. Correspondence:
6. Details of the launch of the Best Kept Village Competition – contents noted.
7. Newsletter from Russell George giving an update on the Mid Wales Connection Project. The Chairman advised that National Grid have now closed their office in Shrewsbury, and staff have been transferred onto other project. A leave to appeal will not automatically be granted – it will need to be proved that the Public Inquiry had not been conducted properly. A letter advising of the outcome of a meeting that occurred with Natural Resource Wales regarding the Clywedog and Vyrnwy Flood Benefits Review was also forwarded. Contents of letter read out and noted.
8. Email from Jonathan Bellingham, Clerk to Llanfyllin Town Council, advising of a meeting on the 22nd October, 2015 at Llanfyllin, to discuss a possible cycle network in the Cain, Tanat and Vyrnwy valley to connect the communities. No one attended the meeting, but Clerk requested to advise of the interest of the Community Council and requesting to be notified of any further meetings.
9. Letter from County Cllr. Barry Thomas regarding Community Delivery. Letter read out and its contents noted.
10. Email from Awi Williams, Powys C.C. Highways – A495 at Ceunant corner – slow/araf signs to be placed on the road and a survey to be undertaken on the camber of the road.
11. Email from Awi Williams advising that the lack of grass cutting by Plasiolyn, Bwlchycibau is to be looked at, and the caravan sited in a lay by at Cwmnantymeichiaid is to be investigated.
12. North Montgomeryshire Local Council Forum – agenda for next meeting on the 3rd November, 2015, together with minutes of last meeting.
13. Email received congratulating the Community Council for keeping Meifod Public Toilets open and in good repair.
14. Email from Jonathan Bellingham advising of a “cluster” meeting, on Wednesday, 28th October, 2015 at Llanfyllin. Proposed by Cllr. J. Williams and seconded by Cllr. W. Evans that Cllr. A. Williams attend and be given a mandate to vote on behalf of the Community Council. All agreed.
15. Email from Chris Lloyd, Powys C.C. following a report regarding parking issues on Cae Robert, Meifod. He advises that no further traffic orders can be considered in Meifod, and that the problem should be brought to the attention of the residents there in the first instance.
16. Email from Powys C.C. giving details of the new three-weekly refuse collections as of the 2nd November, 2015. All households to receive this information in the next week or so.
17. Planning:

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

1. P2015/0925 – Erection of a free range egg production unit including silos and associated works at Land at Ceunant, Meifod.

Cllrs. A. Williams and J. Williams declared an interest.

The Chairman advised that this application was slightly different to the other two received and approved in that is was two-floored and on a different site. There does not appear to be any problems with the site. It was Freedom Food approved and no objections had been received.

The Planning Officer has no issues with the application and is awaiting a report on Ammonia and Nitrogen levels.

Proposed by Cllr. J. Wilkinson and seconded by Cllr. P. Mace that this application be supported on the grounds that it was furthering an already successful business, and employing local people. All agreed.

1. Finance:
2. Invoice 32 from D.M. Johnson for attending to Meifod Toilets for the period 01.09-28.09.2015. Proposed by Cllr. A Williams and seconded by Cllr. Mrs E. Jones that this be paid. All agreed.
3. Invoice 34 from D.M. Johnson for attending to Meifod Toilets for the period 29.09.-24.10.2015. Proposed by Cllr. P. Mace and seconded by Cllr. J. Williams that this be paid. All agreed.
4. Powys C.C. Concurrent Functions Scheme application form. Proposed by Cllr. A. Williams and seconded by Cllr. W. Evans that the following be submitted:

Meifod Recreation Ass. £1,000.00

Bwlchycibau Recreation Ass. £1,000.00

Meifod Play Area £ 350.00

All agreed.

1. Newtown Citizen’s Advice Bureau – donation request. All agreed that we only consider a donation request from the Oswestry Branch.
2. Payment advice received from Powys C.C. – grant of £5,000.00 received for the upkeep of the toilets, and £105.00 received for the refund of the cost of changing the locks.
3. Highways and Footpaths:

Clerk requested to notify Powys C.C. of the following:

1. Unsafe stile on footpath between Cobra and Pentrego land.
2. C2004 towards Cobra – hole in the highway verge.
3. Cwmnantymeichiaid – “Trout corner” – water is running down the bank and when it it’s the drain, is blowing the cover off. Cover needs re-setting and drain jetted.
4. Road surface at the entrance to Pentre Barog, Meifod is breaking up.

Clerk to notify BT that the works opposite Bronymaen is not satisfactory, as it is sitting too high off the ground and is a danger to cyclists and pedestrians.

1. Any other business:
2. Cllr. Mrs E. Jones reported that the application for a wind turbine at Alltgoch, which had gone to appeal, has been dismissed.
3. Cllr. W.G. Jones advised that the Powys Eisteddfod next year, is in Park Hall, Oswestry, but no local people were invited to the welcoming ceremony at Welshpool, last week.
4. Press Release:

Clerk to advise of main contents of meeting.

Meeting concluded at 9.00pm.

Signed: ……………………………………………………………………………….

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