Minutes of a meeting of Meifod Community Council, held on Monday, 27th October, 2014, in the Village Hall, Meifod.

Present:

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

Two members of the public present, who were reminded that this was not an open meeting, and comments could not be made, and secondly, in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to meetings) Act 1960, it is unlawful to make a tape recording of this meeting.

1. Apologies for absence: Cllr. J. Wilkinson.
2. Minutes of the last meeting: Proposed by Cllr. G. Owen and seconded by Cllr. Mrs R.H. Jones that they be signed by the Chairman. All agreed.
3. Matters arising from the Minutes:
4. Item 6c – Cllr. Mrs R.H. Jones declared an interest, and not Cllr. Mrs E. Jones.
5. Item 6c – the donation of £5,000 has now been received and is in the bank.
6. National Grid has booked the Village Hall for a number of dates in the forthcoming two months, for the purpose of community consultation.
7. Severn Trent Water works at Meifod has now more or less been completed, but the tarmacking has not been sealed, and the rail by the toilets has not been repaired.
8. Item 7b – works to the Peniarth Road has not been done. Clerk to contact Highways Dept.
9. Planning:

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

1. P2014/0949 – Erection off an agricultural building (implement store), creation of a hard standing and new vehicular access at Field No. , Meifod, for Mr Roger Hughes.

Cllr. A. Williams declared an interest.

Meeting chaired by Cllr. Mrs R.H. Jones.

Cllr. J. Wilkinson commented (via Cllr. Mrs E. Jones) that he had not received any objections from neighbours, and the proposed building was hardly visible.

Proposed by Cllr. G. Owen and seconded by Cllr. W.G. Jones that this be supported. All agreed.

1. P2014/1065 – Reserved matters application to include vehicular access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale in connection to erection of affordable dwelling and garage (P2014/0128) land opposite Springbank, Guilsfield.

Proposed by Cllr. G. Owen and seconded by Cllr. W. Evans that this be supported. All agreed.

1. TEL/2014/0026 – Notification of installation of cabinet o/s Old Lion House, Meifod, for BT.

Proposed by Cllr. G. Owen and seconded by Cllr. W. Evans that this equipment would be better placed off the highway and behind the railings on BT land. The proposed siting of the equipment, on the pavement, would be an obstruction to pedestrians, and is also unsightly. All agreed.

1. P2014/1002 – Change of use of land together with engineering operations to form a horse menage with associated landscaping works at Geuffordd Farm, Guilsfield.

Cllr. D.F. Breeze reported that no objections received.

Proposed by Cllr. D.F. Breeze and seconded by Cllr. P. Mace that this be supported. All agreed.

1. Correspondence:
2. Copy of letter sent by Jeremy Patterson, Powys C.C. to the Montgomery Local Council Forum, regarding the proposals for community delivery.

Cllr. Mrs E. Jones reported that Llanfyllin Town Council are to hold a meeting in January 2015 regarding this matter.

Following discussion it was agreed that Powys C.C should be speaking to all town and community councils, and not just to the Montgomery Local Council Forum, and a letter should be sent to this effect.

1. Powys C.C. – re: transfer of toilets – advising of the current costs of providing the facilities. All agreed that this be left to the sub-committee.
2. Email from Clive Jones, Powys C.C. advising that works to Pontscowrhyd Bridge is still scheduled to be completed around the 28th November, 2014.
3. Email from National Grid regarding works recently undertaken on the Pontrobert road. Cllr. Mrs E. Jones reported that “Freedom” had been seen undertaking surveying work on the Pontrobert road, and Powys C.C. had confirmed that this had not been licenced by them. Jeremy Lee from National Grid stated that the contractor had been engaged in assessing highways conditions in advance of potential survey work for which licences may be required. He will seek further advice from Powys C.C.
4. Finance:
5. Severn Trent Water Donation:

Cllrs. P. Mace, Mrs R.H. Jones and Mrs E. Jones declared an interest.

Proposed by Cllr. G. Owen and seconded by Cllr. W. Evans that a donation of £4,000.00 be made to the Village Hall, towards the upgrading of the toilets, and £1,000.00 to Meifod Church towards the upgrade of their kitchen facilities and repairs to the clock. All agreed.

1. BDO Auditors – invoice for works done £175.00 + VAT £35.00 = £210.00.

Proposed by Cllr. G. Owen and seconded by Cllr. W. Evans that this be paid. All agreed.

1. Powys County Council Concurrent Functions:

Proposed by Cllr. J. Williams and seconded by Cllr. Mrs E. Jones that the following be applied for:

Bwlchycibau Recreation Ass. £1,000.00

Meifod Recreation Ass. £1,000.00

Meifod Play Area £ 350.00

All agreed.

1. Highways and Footpaths:

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

1. Pot holes in the lay-by’s on the Peniarth road out of Bwlchycibau.
2. Pot hole on the A490 on Bwlch Bank.
3. Overhanging trees on Sarnhir Bank.
4. Amber light on Newbridge traffic lights, out.
5. Poor state of the C2004 past Penylan.
6. Any other business:
7. A pupil at Ysgol Meifod has won a competition organized by the River Vyrnwy Community Group – Nell Walsh. Clerk requested to send a congratulations card.
8. Press Release:

Clerk to advise of main contents of meeting.

Meeting concluded at 8.35pm.

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

Date: ……………………………………………………………………………..