

Cyngor Cymuned Nantmel Community Council

Minutes of a meeting held on Thursday 27th October 2016 at Nantmel School

Present: Cllr C Lewis, K Curry, P Bowen, J Harris
Cty Cllr D Evans

Apologies: Cllr J Price, Cllr R Lewis, Cllr J Morgan, Cllr G Price,

NC 60/16 **Minutes:**
The minutes of the last meeting held on 21st September 2016 were confirmed and signed.

NC 61/16 **Information from Minutes**
None.

NC 62/16 **Planning Applications**
None.

NC 63/16 **Correspondence**
a) Powys County Council – Recycling Point, Nantmel
Confirmation that posters have been placed on the banks to notify residents of their removal.

b) Powys County Council – LDP Consultation
Following the submission of the Powys Local Development Plan to the Welsh Government and the Planning Inspectorate for Public Examination in January 2016 and following the Exploratory Meeting held with the appointed Inspector, Mrs Nicola Gulley, on May 10th 2016, Powys County Council is undertaking a further period of public consultation on a proposed **Schedule of Further Focussed Changes October 2016**.

The Further Focussed Changes are subject to a formal **6 week public consultation between Monday 10th October and 5.30 pm Monday 21st November 2016**. The proposed Schedule of Further Focussed Changes and supporting Assessments/Appraisals and a form for making representations are available online at

<http://www.powys.gov.uk/LDP>.

and available for public inspection at the Council's main offices (plus local libraries) below:

**County Hall, Llandrindod Wells,
Wells**

The Gwalia, Llandrindod

Neuadd Brycheiniog, Brecon

Neuadd Maldwyn, Welshpool

Representations at this stage should specify the matters and grounds to which they relate and **must only relate to the Further Focused Changes**. Representations should not propose further changes to the Deposit LDP 2015 and the Schedule of Focussed Changes January 2016;

any such representations will be disregarded as they should have been made during the earlier stages of the Plan preparation. Duly made representations will be forwarded to the Planning Inspectorate for consideration by the Inspector appointed to examine the soundness of the Plan.

Completed Representation forms should be returned to The LDP Team, Planning Policy, The Gwalia, Llandrindod Wells, LD1 6AA or via email to ldp@powys.gov.uk

c) British Telecom – Removal of Red Phone Boxes

Notification of a consultation with regard to removal of phone boxes. This will mean removal of the following:

01597 822293 – Nantmel, LD1 6EH
01597 822646 – Nantmel, LD1 6DY
01597 810200 – Nantglas, LD1 6PA

As there has been no calls made from any of these boxes for 12 months, members felt they could not challenge these removals.

d) Powys County Council – Hollow Oak -Re: VAR/2015/0036 - Hollow Oak, Carmel Lane, Nantmel

Confirmation from the Planning Officer that he will open up an enforcement case immediately and complete a land registry search today. Once we have received the land registry search results, I will send out a prompt letter requesting that an application is submitted for this unit within 21 days of the date of the letter. Await receipt of the application.

e) Chris Davies MP – Type 1 Diabetes

Information on a campaign that Chris Davies MP is fronting to raise awareness of Type 1 Diabetes. This was noted.

f) Powys County Council – Llandrindod High School

Notification of an Open Public Meeting on Tuesday 1st November at 7pm to discuss the future of Llandrindod High School. Members to notify local residents.

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Accounts

- a) Royal British Legion – Poppy Wreath - £30 – approved
- b) Clerks’ Expenses - £88.58 – approved.

Future Meetings - Nantmel School

The Clerk had contacted the Diocese on 2 occasions but had received little detailed information. She then contacted the Tim Davenport, Diocesan Registrar and obtained the following information:

1. The School belongs to the Educational Trusts of the Swansea & Brecon Diocesan Trust (Incorporated), a registered charity the charitable purposes of which are to provide education in the Diocese of Swansea & Brecon.
2. Powys County Council as the Education Authority use the Trust land and buildings until such time as they decide (as they have now done) that they will provide alternative education arrangements for the area. However until the School is actually closed and the Council have removed their possessions and handed the building back to the Trust nothing can be done.
3. Once the School is handed back to the Trust the Trust has to deal with the land for the charitable purposes, ie the provision of education in the Diocese. This can be achieved either by selling the site and using the capital raised or by renting it out for a commercial rent and using the income (rent) for those same purposes.
4. A decision about what will be done will take place after the school has been handed back (which can take up to six to 12 months from closure) with professional advice being taken on the options.
5. It is not possible to simply give the School to anybody. It has to be a commercial transaction in the best interests of the charitable trusts. This is not negotiable. We will be bound by Charity Law.

If the community want to use the building after the School has closed then they could negotiate to buy it or to rent it and those proposals would be considered alongside the professional advice.

Members discussed this matter at length and it was agreed to hold a Public Meeting at 7pm on Thursday 17th November to discuss the future use of the building. Members would publicise this meeting and the Clerk will contact the press and local groups to encourage people to attend. The Community Council will then make a decision with regard to entering into discussions with the Diocesan. Cty Cllr Bowen will speak with Rev Helen Rees, Director of Education for the Diocesan to establish further information.

Resolved: It was also decided that member of the Community Council will meet up on Sunday 6th November at 1.30pm to sort out the shed and label up all Council and community property to prevent its removal by

Powys County Council. The Clerk will print labels for the day. The Clerk will also look into the possibility for the Community Council to take out a public loan.

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Any Other Business

a) War Memorial

Cllr Bowen had spoken to Maldwyn Wozencraft to ask for a quote for the work on the War Memorial. The Clerk had not received this.

Resolved: Clerk to contact Mr Wozencraft directly.

b) Cash Machine

Cllr Bowen congratulated Cllr Curry for his involvement in getting a cash machine installed at the Smithfield. There have been some teething problems but on the whole this has been well received within the community.

c) Defibrillator

Cllr Curry informed members that a Defibrillator has now been installed on the shed at Ashfield which was funded by Rhayader & District Defibrillator Group and with a donation from Nantmel Show Committee. Thanks go to Margaret Thomas for allowing the machine to be sited on her property. Training will be arranged short.

Next Meeting Date – Thursday 17th November 2016 at 7pm