

KERRY COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Cyngor Cymuned CERI /KERRY Community Council –

Serving the villages of Kerry, Sarn and Dolfor

Wednesday 26th October 2022 19.30, Kerry Village Hall

Clerk: Louise Evans, Forest View Kerry, Newtown, Powys SY16 4NP. Phone: 07960930247

Minutes taken by incoming Clerk: Ria Roberts

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MINUTES

Chair	Cllr. D. Jones (Sarn)
Vice-Chair	Cllr. C. Seal. (Kerry)
	Cllr. V. Wildish (Kerry) Cllr. S. Holloway (Kerry) Cllr. D. Lush (Kerry) Cllr N. Hayward (Kerry) Cllr P. Jenkins (Kerry) Cllr I. Jones (Dolfor) Cllr. G. Evans (Kerry) Cllr. R. Gardner (Dolfor) Cllr. B. Pryce (Sarn)
County Cllrs	0
Other Officers	G.Gough – Biodiversity Officer
Members of the Public	0
Clerk.	Louise Evans (Ria Roberts)

1. **Apologies** – Cllr Lloyd Powell (Kerry), Cllr. M. Morgan (Sarn)
2. **Declaration of Interest of any items on the agenda** –
 - V. Wildish 22/1643/RES
 - I. Jones 22/1597/FUL
3. **Confirmation of Minutes** of meeting held on 28th September 2022 – Approved & signed for publication.
4. **Matters Arising**

No	Outcomes/Decisions	Actions to be taken/ Communications required
1	Introduction of new Clerk Chair thanked outgoing Clerk, Louise Evans, for her hard work and support during her employment and introduced incoming Clerk, Ria Roberts, to the council.	
2	Clerk contract Approved & signed. Start date Oct 17 th . Handover period until 31 st October although it is anticipated that there may be ongoing involvement from former Clerk throughout November.	Outgoing/Incoming Clerks to coordinate.
3	Clerk's training courses Approved - Introduction to Local Council Administration (ILCA)& Financial Introduction to Local Council Administration (FILCA). Progressing to Certificate in Local Council Administration (CiLCA) upon completion of the introductory courses. Bursaries to be applied for.	Clerk to arrange.
4	Playground – ROSPA report/ Zipwire follow up Cllr V Wildish reported that a quote had been received, in response to the ROSPA report, for repair and maintenance inspection of the Zipwire of £1,300.00. According to the manufacturer's instructions the aerial runway should be checked every 2 months with a full inspection and strip down annually. Recommendation for	

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	the cable to be replaced every 5-10 years. The council have requested a second quote due to the cost involved.	Cllr G.Evans to contact Newtown Council for a quote.
5	Dolforgan Park Play area Cllr N Hayward – requested a public consultation for the new playground to involve the local community. The playground is to be a LEAP playground suitable for 4–8-year-olds. Questionnaire to be available for residents at the Winter Fayre 3 rd December. The project will be self-funding and will come under the management of the Amenity Committee.	Cllr N Hayward to coordinate.
6	Independent Remuneration draft annual report Responses required - OVW response required by 15 th Nov & Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings sent to councillors for individual comments by 1 st December Response to OVW – remuneration not mandated & consumables not mandated.	Clerk to respond to OVW by 15/11 & the Annual Survey to be emailed to councillors for an individual online response.
7	Finances going forward Clerk proposal for accounting software to be utilised by the council to ensure good financial governance. Council Agreed in principle.	Clerk to obtain costings & report to Council.
8	Area Reports All area reports have been reported to PCC by the Clerk.	
9	Nominating councillors for laying of the Poppy Wreaths 2022 Wreaths to be delivered to the outgoing Clerk and collected by councillors.	Nominated Councillors B.Pryce (Sarn), G.Evans (Kerry) & I.Jones (Dolfor).

5. Amenities Report – Cllr Hayward's report:

Cllr N Hayward presented the current finances related to Phase 1 of Kerry Toilets Renovation –

Total Contract Value for Phase 1: £31,000 inc VAT

Opening Balance as of 06/07/2022: £46,0005.35

Balance as of 21/20/2022: £24,172.90

Current Spend: £21,832.45

In addition, external works nearly complete and internal works on going. Phase 1 to be complete by end of November.

Action: The Amenity committee to meet, review and commence with Phase 2 – Cllr Hayward to coordinate.

6. KCC Web-site/KCC Facebook. Biodiversity Reports. Kerry Cemetery Butterfly Garden/Biodiversity Report

Gareth Gough, Biodiversity Officer,

Presentation to the council based on the "How to create a green and resilient community" course together with biodiversity proposals for the community. This included wild flower meadows, tree planting, bat boxes and involving the local community. Chair thanked G.Gough for the presentation.

Cllr N. Hayward advised that there will be a bat box on the renovated Kerry Toilet Block.

Actions:

- Field behind Kerry cemetery - Cllr P Jenkins to approach owner re wild flower meadow planting.
- Clerk to contact PCC - PCC Highways about replacing trees/ and planting heather where a tree has been removed from the embankment opposite Kerry Village Shop alongside the A489 Kerry.
- G.Gough to prepare a proposal for highlighting the Conservation area in Kerry.
- Cllr S Holloway to buy bird seed for Kerry Cemetery Butterfly Garden
- G.Gough to complete Biodiversity Report December 22.
- Biodiversity display at the Winter Fayre.

KCC Web-site/KCC Facebook - Nothing to report

7. Visits and meetings attended –

Cllrs C. Seal and Wildish attended the OVW Montgomeryshire Area Committee Meeting on 29th September 2022.

Summary of matters covered – A presentation by Sarah Pearson from Natural Recourses Wales. Other matters – covered the Self-Assessment Toolkit. Opposing the moving of the Air Ambulance base joint response with Brecon & Radnorshire.

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Newtown council obtained funds for circular economy. Warm Spaces initiative. Help for households – Powys. Councillor Training courses highlighted including Biodiversity – annual training record to be submitted by 5th November 2022 (template available). Farmers Land Management grants available.

Thanks and appreciation were expressed by the OVW Chair to Kerry WI for the refreshments provided.

Actions: Clerk to complete Training Report

Cllrs V. Wildish & C. Seal attended a VMRC Meeting on 17th October - Hosted by Berriew Community Council at the Andrew Logan Museum of Art.

Summary of matters covered - Community connectors Powys ensuring residents in need of assistance are put in contact with local facilities that can offer help. VMRC bank account opening. Biodiversity course VMRC obtained a 3 for 2 deal. Footpaths/ Planning liaison meetings.

Cllr V. Wildish 12th October - completed an online course “**Introduction to Planning Enforcement**”.

Cllrs D. Jones & I. Jones attended Garreg Lwyd Hill Wind Farm meeting 19th October

Summary of matters covered - Community Benefit Fund is now open. Projects must benefit the wider community, applications should be from groups in the following areas: Beguildy, Bettws y Crwyn, Kerry, Llanbister, Llanbadarn Fynydd. Applications for funding opened 24th October and close on 21st December 5pm - awarding 31st January 23.

8. Correspondence/ Response

Email re traffic through Kerry - **Clerk responded**

Email from Russell George re closures of Post Offices - **Clerk to invite Russell George to meeting at end of November.**

Email re Sarn development Section 106 - **No further comment/action**

9. Planning

Application Reference	Summary	KCC Response
Application Reference: 22/1597/FUL Barn At Labour In Vain, Dolfor, Newtown, SY16 4AA	Conversion and extension of agricultural building to create a dwelling, to include improvements to existing access, installation of sewage treatment plant and associated works	Support
Application Reference: 22/1643/RES Land Adj Uchel Dre, Kerry, Newtown, SY16 4PS	Reserved matters application (appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) in respect of outline planning permission P/2017/1144 for the erection of 5 affordable dwellings, detached garages and associated works	Object as the initial Highways assessment detailed in the outline planning application P2017/1144 stated that the application should not significantly increase traffic flow and therefore the additional traffic calming measures proposed in 22/1643/RES should not be required. In addition, the route via B4368 over Pentre bridge is not a viable alternative for access to Common Road and significant farm traffic/ heavy vehicles use the Common Road route.
22/1566/FUL Upper Cefnperfa , Kerry, Newtown, SY16 4DW	Relocation of existing access road further to the east Site	Object to application as current access considered suitable and no explanation has been provided as to the change applied for.

10. Finances Income and expenditure for September/October 2022. Bank balances

Income

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Date	Payer	£
08/09/2022	LEACH & SON	192.50
27/09/2022	J Gallagher refund	16.84

Expenditure

Date	Payee	£
01/09/2022	EDF	31.92
06/09/2022	Powys Building Cont inv 30	5000.00
14/09/2022	Biodiversity Training	50.00
20/09/2022	The Plumline PN339581	31.15
20/09/2022	Boys Boden N365403	430.86
20/09/2022	Boys Boden N365147	340.44
20/09/2022	Boys Boden N365522	292.86
26/09/2022	HSBC	5.00
27/09/2022	Boys Boden N365964	480.01
27/08/2022	Boys Boden N366334	148.52
28/09/2022	Powys Building Cont inv 3	5000.00
28/09/2022	L Evans Clerk Wages	481.20
28/09/2022	HMRC	52.40
29/09/2022	Hafren Dyfrydwy	253.41

Balances as at 30th Sept 2022 – Comm Acc - £41,051.78 Money Manager - £30,764.82

Any payments for the toilet renovations including VAT reclaimed have to be paid from the current account, which is then replenished from the savings account straight away.

11. Area Reports

Cllr N. Hayward

- Obtained contact additional details for Strimming, if required – £150 per day

Cllr B. Pryce

- Asked Cllr Breeze to review the planning application for the development at Brynllwarch Hall School.

Cllr I. Jones

- Ensure that Cllr C. Lewis - PCC Landinam ward is kept apprised of matters related to Dolfor, as appropriate.
- To advise Powys Highways that the give way white line is missing at Cwm Graig, Dolfor. **Clerk to action**

12. Items arising for next meeting - none

Date of next Meeting: The next meeting will be held on 30th November in Kerry Village Hall at 7.30pm

Meeting concluded at 21.13