

LLANFAIR YN NEUBWLL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council's Meeting - 7.00 pm, Tuesday 21st February 2017

Present: Cllr. Gwilym O. Jones (Chairman)
Cllr. Gordon Owen
Cllr. William Victor Owen
Cllr. Beryl Salisbury
Cllr. Eimir Thomas

Apologies: Cllr. Gwynfor Lloyd Jones
Cllr. Dyfed Williams

Presentation by Mark Sobczak, Alyn Jones and Claire Duffy on behalf of SP Energy Networks.

It was noted that SP Energy Networks are investing £13m to reinforce the electrical infrastructure across Anglesey. This included a plan to construct a new 132,000 volt circuit and install a new grid transformer on the existing site on Cymyran Road, Caergeiliog. This would be connected to the National Grid at a point to the north of the village by a new overhead line and an underground cable that would be installed underneath the access road through Treifan Estate.

The investment was expected to facilitate future growth and development across the island and increase the resilience of supplies to the existing 38,000 homes and businesses.

The Council was informed that the initial studies were complete, that landowners had been approached and that this proposed route was being put forward for consultation prior to submitting an application in Spring 2017. If approval was given it was anticipated that the work would commence in September 2017.

It became very apparent during the presentation that not all landowners had been consulted and that the route through Treifan Estate was favoured because it was deemed to be the one where the company would meet the least resistance from landowners.

Several members expressed grave concerns about the project as the huge and prolonged disruption for residents was a major factor for consideration.

SP Energy Networks agreed to make further contact with the landowners.

1. **Declaration of Interest:** – Cllr. Gwilym O. Jones and Cllr. Gordon Owen - item 3 Village Hall and item 8.1 SP Energy Networks, Cllr. E Thomas - item 8.1 SP Energy Networks.
2. **Minutes of the meeting held on the Tuesday 17th January 2017**

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The minutes were accepted as being correct (Prop. Cllr. William Victor Owen, sec. Cllr. Beryl Salisbury.)

3. Matters arising from the minutes:-

1. Playing Field: - It was agreed to ask Mr Frank Rowlands whether he could paint the play equipment and G.L. Jones Playgrounds Ltd. for a quote for making good the surfaces around the play equipment.
2. Footpaths: - The work on footpath 8 and around the bridge on footpath 25 was still outstanding.
3. Village Hall:- It was reported that a solicitors had been appointed to deal with the matters on behalf of the Village Hall Management Committee.
4. Electoral Review: - The number of constituencies in Wales must reduce from 40 to 29 and the Isle of Anglesey was considered too small to stand alone. It was therefore proposed that the new constituency should include parts of Arfon. The responses to the proposals were due to be published shortly.
5. Standards Committee – Declarations of Interest:- The register if interest was up to date and was to be included on the website.
6. Community and Town Council Elections 2017: – It was reported that election packs would be issued via the clerk after 2nd March 2017.
7. Any other matters arising from the minutes - none

4. Town and County Planning:-

32C123 Bryn Ednyfed, Caergeiliog - Full application for the use of the lawful site for no more than 20 caravans at any one time all year round together with increased winter storage for no more than 10 caravans - no objection.

32C200 - 1 Bryn Trewan, Caergeiliog - Full application for alterations and extensions - no objection.

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5. Isle of Anglesey County Council Correspondence:-

1. Executive's forward work programme:- update noted.
2. Community Emergency Plan – it was agreed that the Community Council would work with the County Council and RAF in the event of an emergency.

6. Financial Matters:-

Bank Balances 21.2.2017 Current Account £9257.33, Deposit Account £3,921.11

Payments to be made:

Clerk's Salary (January.)	£178.14	HMRC	£44.54
One Voice Wales	£209.00	Welsh Audit Office	£323.55
Translation	£70		

It was agreed to pay these (Proposed Cllr Beryl Salisbury, seconded Cllr. Gordon Owen)

9. Statutory Documents: - The Standing Orders would be considered at the next meeting.

10. Other Correspondence:-

1. SP Energy Networks - Anglesey Reinforcement Project – see above.
2. Reform of school governance: regulatory framework – Cllr. Beryl Salisbury confirmed that the school governors had been made aware of the framework.
3. Communities Committee - consultation into the Trade Union (Wales) - noted
4. One Voice Wales' information bulletin. – This included items on Financial Management and Governance in Community Councils 2015-2016, Audit programme and themes for 2016-17 to 2020-21, recent consultations etc.
5. Wales Audit Office Newsletter – noted.

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6. PRESS RELEASE: Community councils need to improve financial management and governance – noted.
7. White Paper 'Reforming Local Government: Resilient and Renewed'
8. Report on workshop on disposal of radioactive waste – minutes of a stakeholder meeting held in Cardiff.
9. ECO Scheme – Energy saving schemes for residents in receipt of low incomes - noted.
10. The Ombudsman's Casebook - Issue 27 – there was no reference to Anglesey Councils here.
11. RHUN AP IORWERTH's Newsletter (February) - noted.

11. Any Other Matters: -

It was reported that the bus shelter by Junction 4 of the A55 had been damaged again, the clerk was asked to obtain an estimate for repairs and reinforcement from Mr William Evans (Pentre Berw).

12. Next meeting 21 March 2017.

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