



**CYNGOR TREF
YSTRADGYNLAIS
TOWN COUNCIL**

**Ordinary Meeting of the Council held at the Welfare Hall on Thursday
5th July 2018 at 6.30p.m.**

**Present : Councillor Tristan Davies , Chairman,
Councillors D Lewis, E Evans, M Donnelly
N Craddock, L Evans, A Davies
G Davies, C Nickels.**

46. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors W Thomas, M Evans, Ms R Phillips, R Millington, A Williams Mrs B Paulett and R Lock.

47. DISCOVER YSTRADGYNLAIS – PROPOSED EVENTS AT YSTRADGYNLAIS.

E mails had been received from the above apologising that representatives of the Group would not be in a position to make a presentation to the Town Council meeting this evening as a substantial amount of information needed was not currently available. Hopefully this information will be gathered shortly and the Group would be able to address the Town Council on the proposed events in September on a date to be agreed.

48. MINUTES

a) Resolved that the Minutes of the Councils meeting held on the 7th June 2018 and the Minutes of the Management Sub Committee meeting held on the 27th June 2018 be confirmed as accurate records and signed by the Chairman.

49. CITIZEN ADVICE BUREAU.

Further to Minute 41 of the Town Councils meeting on the 7th June it was reported that the local CAB representative had requested that the Town Council grant award be spent on renting a further room at the Welfare Hall as the Bureau had recently employed two extra volunteers.

Resolved that the Town council agrees to the request and that the £500 grant award be released to the CAB.

50. STAFFING REVIEW TEMPORARY INTERIM ARRANGEMENTS.

Further to Minute 28c) of the Town Councils meeting on the 7th June the Clerk reported that following a discussion with the Powys County Council a letter dated 26th June was received offering the Town Council an independent inspection arrangement for the Play areas and land owned by the Town Council in order to cover its health and safety duties. On completion of the inspections reports to the RPII (Register of Play Inspectors International) Operational Standard) etc. would be forwarded to the Town Council. The cost being £50 per site per visit/inspection.

Also the issue regarding dealing with future planning applications as from October 2018 was discussed and it was agreed with the Technical Adviser that he would assist the Town Council on a fee-paying basis until such time as a suitable arrangement could be established to cover this duty.

51. SUB COMMITTEE MINUTES – 26th June 2018.

Resolved that:

- a) The recommendations contained in Minute 1a), b) and c) (Financial Reporting Procedure) and Minute 2 (Car Park Report) as detailed be agreed.
- b) The recommendation contained in Minute 3 (Cwmtwrch British Legion Cabinet) be deferred for further consideration at the next Town Council meeting in September.

52. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

Resolved that the accounts as detailed in Appendix 1 be paid.

53. PUBLIC CONVENIENCES – THE CROSS, YSTRADGYNLAIS

Further to Minute 33 of the Town Councils meeting on the 7th June asbestos and building conditions report was received from the Powys County Council in relation to the above premises. Further consideration was given to the correspondence received on the 5th June from the Ystradgynlais Amenity and Convenience Association. Following consideration of the position **it was resolved** to grant aid the Group up to £3000 in this financial year towards keeping the public conveniences at Ystradgynlais open to the public. The money required being obtained from the Town Councils critical reserve fund. For the next financial year the Town Council will consider the position for continuing funding at the Budget meeting in January 2019.

54. COUNCIL MEETINGS AT THE CWMTWRCH AND ABERCRAVE WELFARE HALLS.

The following Notice of Motion was received from Cllr R Millington, which the Town Council agreed to consider:

‘That the Town Council should meet at least once a year each at Cwmtwrch and Abercrave Welfare Halls’

The Town Council **resolved to agree in principle** to the proposal and that the Welfare Halls be consulted on the matter and the necessary arrangements required to hold a public meeting of this kind.

55. EXTRAORDINARY MEETING IN AUGUST 2018.

The following Notice of Motion was received from Cllr R Millington, which the Town Council agreed to consider:

‘that an extraordinary meeting of the Town Council be held in August on Thursday 2nd August at the normal time’

The Town Council **resolved to reject** this proposal and reiterated the Town Councils Standing Orders with respect to the calling of an Extraordinary meeting of the Town Council’.

56. TRIUMPH PUBLIC MEETING 12 JUNE – ABERCRAVE WELFARE HALL.

The Town Council received a written report from Cllr R Millington in relation to the above public meeting. Representations in the form of e - mails were received from Cllr A Williams and Cllr Mrs R Phillips, which indicated that they did not agree with the content on the report. Also Cllr E Evans rejected the content of the report as being inaccurate. It was agreed that the Abercrave Members give a detailed report on their observations with regard to the public meeting at the next Town Council meeting in September.

57. PROVISION OF LITTER BINS.

Further to Minute 35 of the Town Councils meeting on the 7th June 2018 it was agreed that once the respective Wards had identified the areas where litter was creating a problem then a meeting should be arranged with the local Area Inspector of Powys County Council to discuss the matters further with a view to the reinstatement of these litter bins.

58. DATA PROTECTION BILL.

Further to Minute 38 of the Town Councils meeting on the 7th June 2018 the Clerk advised that work was continuing in relation to the Town Councils draft policy in response to the Data Protection legislation. It was the intention to complete the first draft in preparation for the Town Councils meeting in September 2018.

59. CORRESPONDENCE.

a) Notification was received from the Care & Repair Team for Powys that its 30th Anniversary AGM was to be held at Ystradgynlais. Councillors were invited to attend.

b) An invitation was received from One Voice Wales for the Town Council to appoint up to two representatives to the Conference and AGM on the 29th September at the Royal Welsh Showground. Agreed that Cllrs Wayne Thomas and M Evans attend the Conference on behalf of the Town Council.

c) A letter was received from a local resident seeking the Town Councils permission to install a wooden bench at the Gorof Cemetery in memory of her parents and in-laws. The location was near the car park in the lower part of the Cemetery. Resolved that permission be granted.

d) Barclays Bank Ystradgynlais. Notification was received from the Bank that it would be closing its Ystradgynlais branch to the public on the 5th October due to low and failing transactional volumes at the branch. Representatives from the Town Council and other Councils had met with representative from the Bank and with the local AM Kirsty Williams. However the meeting had not been successful and the closure programme was going ahead. The Town Council expressed its deep disappointment over this position and the assistance that the bank had given to the local public in the past would now no longer be available.

e) Development at Gurnos, Lower Cwmtwrch. Pobl Group was currently consulting on considering proposals with regard to the naming for the new development at Gurnos. The Cwmtwrch Ward put forward the name Heol Mai (May Road). In recognition of the family name associated with a Farm that once occupied the site. Resolved that the suggestion be forwarded to the Company.

f) Local Wellbeing plans - Workshop 17th July Llandrindod Wells. Resolved that the Chairman and the Clerk be appointed to attend the course.

g) A local resident queried the Town Councils decision with respect to offering assistance to CME Ltd with regards to dealing with knotweed at the Coronation Park site. It was agreed to advise the resident that this was a joint venture to deal with the knotweed which was on the Town Councils land on the Coronation park site and the other patch which was on the CME Ltd land. The Council was not dealing with the knotweed that was on the private land.

h) Ystradgynlais Garden Party. – The staff at Ystradgynlais Library were extending an invitation to Councillors to attend a garden party at the library on Thursday the 12th July at 10.30am. Brecknock Wildlife Trust and local volunteers had turned the neglected garden at the library into a wildlife area. Agreed that as many Councillors as possible attend the event.

60. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

The Town Council received the Technical Advisers report on the planning applications received from the Powys County Council.

Resolved that the Town Councils observations on planning applications considered as detailed be forwarded to the Powys County Council.

61. MEMBERS AND OFFICERS REPORTS

a) Cllr C Nickels asked for an update on the position in relation to the Council land at the rear of Touratech and asked for a further letter to be sent to the Company on the matter with a view to bringing the matter to a conclusion.

b) Cllr M Donnelly reported that the Headmistress of Maesydderwen School was retiring at the end of this school term and it was agreed that a letter be sent wishing her a long and happy retirement.

c) Cllr L Evans reported that the stile on path 109/84 needed to be urgently renewed. Agreed that the Ward contacts the Town Councils contractor Mathew Thomas on the position.

The meeting terminated at 10.00pm

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Planning matters considered by the Town Council on Thursday 5th July 2018.

1.0 Applications granted consent

From information posted on the Powys County Council web site the following applications have been granted approval:

P/2015/0176	JUWI Renewable Energy Land at Brynhenllys opencast site Cwmtwrch	Installation of a Solar Photovoltaic (PV) Farm with ancillary infrastructure capable of generating 20MW.
P/2018/0390	Mr G .Jones Land off Bryn Road Bryn Road Ystradgynlais	Erection of a new dwelling

2.0 Applications refused consent

From information on the Powys CC web no application has been refused consent.

3.0 Applications for consideration

From information posted on the Powys County Council web site the following applications require consideration:-

P/2018/0595	Mr & Mrs Richards 56 Brecon Road Ystradgynlais	Partial demolition of the existing rear extension and rebuild to form a porch and utility room.
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Resolved: No observation

P/2018/0605	Mr & Mrs Hagger 199 Brecon Road Ystradgynlais	Erection of a single storey extension to the rear of the property.
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Resolved: No observation.

P/2018/0606	Mr Davies Gnoll House Neath Road Ystradgynlais	Erection of a boarding kennel establishment, formation of an access road, parking and turning area for five cars and all associated works (revised proposal)
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Resolved: No observation.

P/2018/0657	Mr M Stoneman Golwg y Bannau Neath Road , Ystradgynlais	New driveway adjacent to existing one.
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Resolved: No observation.

NMA/2018/0041	Mrs J Clancy 36 Ynyscedwyn Road Ystradgynlais	Non material amendment to remove condition No.5 from granted planning consent P/2018/0447
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Resolved: It was the opinion that the applicant should meet condition No.5.

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4.0 Miscellaneous

Powys LDP Update

As you will be aware, the Powys Local Development Plan 2011-2026 (LDP) was adopted by Powys County Council on the 17th April 2018. Appendix 2 of the LDP outlines a programme of Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG) that the Council intends to produce to support the LDP's policies.

(see <http://www.powys.gov.uk/en/planning-building-control/local-development-plan/adopted-ldp-2018/>)

The County Council has started preparing the first set of draft SPG as outlined in Appendix 2 and I am writing to you now to give your council **advance** notice that we will be holding a **six week public consultation** on the first set from **Wednesday 11th July – Tuesday 21st August 2018**.

Representations must be returned by **5pm on Tuesday 21st August** – any received after this time will be disregarded. This should allow you time to notify your councillors and local people of the forth-coming consultation and to make any special arrangements to consider the SPG that you may consider appropriate.

The first set of SPG includes:

- **Biodiversity**
- **Affordable Housing, and,**
- **Planning Obligations**

Powys County Council will notify again at the start of the consultation and the draft documents will be available on our LDP website at that time.

Resolved : To note the position.

**P/2017/0812 for Section 73 application to remove Condition 19 of approved Outline Consent P/2014/1133 relating to affordable local needs housing at:
Development at Brynygroes Farm, Ystradgynlais,**

For information the above planning application is being considered at the County Planning, Taxi Licensing and Rights of Way Committee on 05/07/2018 in the Council Chamber of County Hall, Llandrindod Wells, Powys, LD1 5LG at 9.30 a.m.

Resolved : To await the outcome of the planning meeting

J.G. Jones - Technical Adviser