



**CYNGOR TREF
YSTRADGYNLAIS
TOWN COUNCIL**

**Ordinary Meeting of the Council held at the Welfare Hall,
Ystradgynlais on Thursday 8th January 2015 at 6.00p.m.**

Present : Councillor Aneurin Davies, Chairman, Presided,

**Councillors J D Coombe, R Curry, Canon D Roberts
E Evans, J Steadman, D Lewis,
L. Evans, W Thomas, M Evans,
Mrs A Jones, Goronwy Davies
Graham Davies, C Nickels.**

163. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors, Mrs W Williams and Mrs B Paulett.

164. COMMUNITY LED PLANNING.

The Town Council received Officers from the County Councils Regeneration Department in relation to the above matter. It was essential to have the assistance from Town and Community Councils in this 'Community Led Planning' initiative and the Ystradgynlais Council had been chosen to pilot the project with another three Authorities. The concept of this proposed initiative was discussed at length.

Resolved that Sub Group of the Town Council agrees to meet Powys County Council representatives in the near future to progress this initiative further with regards to the community of Ystradgynlais.

165. TOWN COUNCIL BUDGET AND PRECEPT FOR 2015/16.

**A) ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2014
FINANCES FOR 2014/2015.
PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2015/2016.**

The Clerk submitted his report to the Council containing a balance sheet for the year ended 31 March 2014, details relating to the Councils finances for 2014/2015, and a recommended budget for 2015/2016.

The Council considered and discussed the Clerks report in detail.

B) COUNCIL BUDGET AND PRECEPT FOR 2015/2016.

Resolved that :

1) The following estimates of expenditure for 2015/2016 be approved :-

Parks & Open Spaces	36,360
Gen Administration	91,950
Gorof Cemetery	25,500
Grants	14,000
Paths	43,180
Welfare Halls (Ystrad, Cwmtwrch)	37,000
Ystrad Hall,Maint, Market & Insurance	29,980
Business Reserve Fund	26,000

TOTAL **303,970**

2) The above-mentioned total expenditure and reserves of £303,970 for 2015/16 be achieved as follows: -

Estimated Balance for 2015/2016	£77,970
Estimated Income for 2015/2016	£8,000
Precept 2015/16	<u>£218,000</u>

3) A precept of £218,000 for 2015/16 be signed by the Clerk and served upon the Powys County Council.

4) The Council received the detail and new pay rates contained in the National Joint Council for Local Services Government Services, which are implemented from the 1st January 2015. The agreement was an average increase of 2.2% over 2 years. This increase had been incorporated into the budget estimates for the financial year 2015/16 and implemented within the February payroll.

5) The Clerk be thanked for the budget report and presentation.

166. MINUTES.

Resolved that the Minutes of the Councils meeting held on the 5th December 2014 be confirmed as an accurate record with an amendment to Minute 162 as detailed.

167. MEMBER TRAINING COURSE

The content of the Minute written by Cllr J D Coombe on the above matter was approved.

168. FOOTPATH 6 BRYN-Y GROES

The Town Council received a copy of the Powys County Councils Planning transcript in relation to the effect on the rights of way in the area of the development proposed. Cllr Graham Davies advised that he would speak to the Technical Adviser about the detail contained in the County Councils submission.

169. TOWN CENTRE REGENERATION.

Information was received in respect of the above matter that the following works would commence on the 12th January :

- New Zebra Crossing
- Installation of street furniture
- New signage
- Pavement maintenance.

It was noted that during the works to the Town Centre public car parking would be free.

Resolved to note the position.

170. REGISTER OF ELECTORS.

The Town Council received information from the County Councils Electoral Section in relation to the above matter.

Resolved that a request be made to receive an one updated copy of the list of electors for the community area.

171. YSTRADGYNLAIS WELFARE HALL.

Since the Town Councils meeting on the 4th December two meetings had taken place between the Welfare Hall Board and the Town Councils Sub Committee. The meetings had been convened to review progress on the capital works scheme at the Welfare Hall. The Sub Group advised the Town Council that all tendering exercises on the works identified within the contract had now been completed.

Resolved that:

a) Permission be given to Hall Board to commence with the capital works programme at the Welfare Hall.

b) the Technical Adviser oversees the external works part of the contract.

**172. SALE OF LAND AT THE REAR OF CARINGDALE,
YNYSCEDWYN ROAD**

a) A letter dated 10th December 2014 was received from the Councils Solicitor enclosing the contract in relation to the above conveyance, which needed to be endorsed by the Town Council.

Resolved that the Chairman of the Town Council signs the conveyance on behalf of the Town Council.

b) A further letter was received from the Councils solicitor updating the Town Council in relation to the release of the covenant from the transfer of land dated 22nd December 2010. It was confirmed that a release fee of £12000 had been agreed in accordance with the latest District Valuers report. District Valuers fees also to be payable in addition to the sale price. A draft deed of release in relation to the restrictive covenant had been sent to the buyer for consideration.

Resolved to note the progress being made in relation to this conveyance.

173. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS.

Resolved that the monthly accounts as detailed be paid.

**174. POWYS LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN – OPEN SPACE
ASSESSMENT**

It was reported that an Open Space Assessment to support the Local Development Plan had been circulated to the Town Council for comment on its accuracy. The assessment had mapped various types of open spaces including play areas, sports pitches and amenity land. Each ward was provided with a copy of the settlement plan for perusal. The main open spaces under the control of the Town Council appeared to have been included and it was noted that policies were being suggested regarding the protection of such open spaces. Wards were asked to advise on any inaccuracies they may notice as soon as possible.

175. 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 be forwarded to the Powys County Council.

176. MEMBERS AND OFFICERS REPORTS.

a) Cllr E Evans advised that the Doctor service at the Ystradgynlais Hospital on Sunday mornings had ceased for some reason. Agreed that the Chairman looks into this matter and reports back to the Council on the enquiry.

b) Cllr W Thomas asked for information relative to the Powys and Town Council pension Scheme. Cllr Thomas was of the opinion that the Sub Committee should discuss pension matters further.

c) Cllr R Curry reported on the problem relating to the sewer on path 110a. Agreed that the Chairman and Clerk investigate the problem further with the Water Board.

d) Cllr M Evans advised of the failure of the Highways Dept to collect the recycling refuse over the Christmas period at Dolfaen and Lluet. Also the situation was the same at Lower Cwmtwrch. Agreed to register a complaint with the highways department of the Powys County Council.

The meeting terminated at 8.00pm

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Planning matters considered by the Town Council on Thursday 8th January 2015

1.0 Applications granted consent

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

P/2014/0902	Mr A Laugher Glanyronnen Cottage Gurnos Road	Extension of front and side of existing building
P/2014/0984	Mr W. Davies 29 Heol Maes y Dre Ystradgynlais	Change of use of existing flat roof to a pitch roof and external alterations to dwelling.
P/2014/1003	Mr & Mrs A. Jones Anwylfan Hennoyadd Road Abercrave	Proposed first floor rear extension and loft conversion to include dormer windows, external and drainage works.

2.0 Applications refused consent

From information posted on the Powys County Council web site the following application has been refused consent.

No matter to report

3.0 Applications for consideration

P/2014/1180	Mr D .Craven 10 Heol Rheolau Abercrave	Upgrading to central heating system to include replacement of free standing solid fuel appliance, replacement of all existing radiators and installation of new radiators in the bathroom and the lounge.
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Resolved: No observation

P/2014/1222	Mr M. Bayliss 247 Brecon Road Ystradgynlais	Construction of detached garage with associated external and drainage works.
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Resolved: No observation

P/2014/1232	Mr C. Northey 89 Cwmpnil Road Lower Cwmtwrch Ystradgynlais	Demolition of existing garage and construction of a two storey extension to the front, side and rear of the property with detached garage and associated external and drainage work.
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Resolved: No observation

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P/2014/1238 Mr A. Alrkayan Erection of a single storey extension.
 Carringdale
 Ynyscedwyn Road
 Ystradgynlais

Resolved: No observation

4.0 Miscellaneous

Powys County Council have notified the Town Council of the following appeal :

PCC ref: P2014 0548

APPEAL BY: Mr Julian Smith

LAND AT: Land to the rear of No 160 Brecon Road, Ystradgynlais

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT: Full: Construction of a single storey detached dwelling with associated access and landscaping works.

APPEAL REFERENCE: APP/T6850/A/14/2229268

APPEAL STARTING DATE: 28 November 2014

Resolved: To note the appeal.

J G Jones - Technical Adviser