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CHURCHSTOKE COMMUNITY COUNCIL
 2 Rowes Terrace, Plough Bank, Montgomery, Powys. SY15 6QD

MINUTES of PLANNING and FINANCE Meeting on 23rd August 2006
 at Churchstoke Community Hall, at 7.30 p.m.

1.0 Attendance, Apologies and Declarations of Members' Interests – Cllr Mrs B J Davies (Chairman), Cllr G F Griffiths, Cllr D H Latimer, Cllr D A Paterson, Cllr D L Powell, Cllr Mrs B A Rowley

Apologies – Cllr E Evans, Cllr M J Jones, Cllr Mrs P J Jones, Cllr Mrs A R Stephens

Declarations of Members' Interests: Members declared interests as follows,

Agenda Number	Item	Councillor	Nature of Declaration
None	None	None	None

2.0 Minutes of Meetings – to approve and sign the minutes of 26th July 2006 at Hyssington Village Hall, as a correct record

The minutes of the business meeting 26th July 2006 were approved and signed as a correct record with one amendment as follows:

(1.0) Attendance – Cllr D H Latimer was present at the meeting

3.0 Matters Arising from minutes for Information – to report matters for information arising from minutes of 26th July 2006 at Hyssington Village Hall

3.1 (9.0) Dog Fouling at the Churchstoke Recreation Field

The Clerk reported that anti-fouling signs have been requested from Powys CC, and that Powys CC has also agreed to provide bins at no cost to CCC. The Chairman reported meeting Powys CC officers to agree the locations for three new bins (plus new dog waste sign on existing bin).

4.0 Planning Matters

4.1 Planning Appeals – notifications/reports (if any) of Planning Inspectorate Appeals.

The Clerk reported on notification of planning appeals decision as follows –

Plan Ref.	Appeal Ref	Site	Planning Inspectorate Decision
None	None	None	None

4.2 Powys CC Site Inspection Panel – notifications/reports (if any) of Site Inspection Panel

The Chairman reported on attendance at site inspection panel visits as follows –

Ref.	Site	Description	Date & time
None	None	None	None

4.3 Powys CC Planning Determinations – to report recent Powys CC planning determinations

The Clerk reported notification of planning determinations by Powys CC as follows –

Ref.	Site	Powys CC Planning Decision
M20060385	Mellington Hall, Mellington	Listed building consent granted
M20060386	Mellington Hall, Mellington	Full planning permission granted

M20060531	Fishpool Farm, White Grit	Full planning permission granted
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4.4 Planning Specific Correspondence – to receive correspondence (if any)

None.

4.5 Planning Applications/Notices – to receive and resolve responses to consultations by Powys CC including –

RESOLVED *‘to respond to consultation on applications as follows’ –*

S = support, O = object, N = note,

Ref.	Applicant	Site	Description	rec.
<i>New Plans</i>				
None	None	None	None	

Action – Clerk to process

4.6 Planning Enforcement – to report on planning enforcement matters within the community

The Chairman invited Members to bring forward planning enforcement matters for discussion. Members discussed enforcement matters and resolved as follows –

Ref.	Site	Description
None	None	None

5.0 Other urgent non-planning, non-finance matters

5.1 BMX Area – to receive status report

The Chairman reported that a meeting with the BMX Group is arranged for 29th August.

Action – Chairman

Cllr P A Rees

5.2 Application for registration of Village Green in Churchstoke – to report

The Clerk reported that Powys CC have published the ‘Notice of Application’ on site and in a local newspaper. The six-week period for objections and statement of facts expires on 29th September.

5.3 Welsh Assembly Government re. Electoral Arrangements in Wales – to respond to the consultation document

The Chairman reminded Members of the recent consultation by WAG particularly in regard to falling turnout and registration, and of the opportunity for CCC to make a response by 4th September.

RESOLVED *‘CCC would like to encourage and press for the need to undertake early education of young people, and continuing education of older people, in the principles of citizenship, democracy, politics, and participation. CCC sees the long term importance of generating through education, a desire to vote, as well as the shorter term objectives of addressing the means and accessibility of registration and voter turnout’.*

Action – Clerk to process

5.4 Welsh Assembly Government re. Commissioner for Older people in Wales Draft Regulations – to receive consultation documents

The Clerk reported on receipt of draft regulations for consultation, on the Commissioner for Older People (Wales) Bill, which received royal assent on 25th July 2006. Responses welcomed by 20th October 2006. Passed to Chairman.

5.5 South Shropshire District Council re. 'Draft Statement of Community Involvement' and 'Interim Planning Guidance Affordable Housing' – to receive consultation documents

The Clerk reported on receipt of two consultation documents 'Draft Statement of Community Involvement' and 'Interim Planning Guidance Affordable Housing', with responses welcomed by 22nd September on the forms provided. In addition a public meeting on Interim Planning Guidance Affordable Housing is being held 29th August, 7pm, community centre, Craven Arms. Passed to Chairman and summaries distributed to Members.

5.6 Powys County Council – to receive notice and draft agenda for Autumn Liaison Meeting

The Clerk reported on notice and draft agenda for the Autumn Liaison meeting between Powys CC and Town & Community Councils on Wednesday 4th October, 7pm, Neuadd Maldwyn, Welshpool. CCC is invited to send up to 3 representatives plus Clerk. The agenda contains an item regarding members Code of Conduct and Planning Matters, with a pre-meeting questionnaire. Further agenda items invited by 11th September.

Action – Clerk to reply

Action – Chairman

Cllr D A Paterson

Cllr B A Rowley

and Clerk to attend

5.7 Correspondence – to receive other items of general correspondence

The Clerk reported as follows,

- a) Welsh Assembly Government Beecham Review Secretariat – copy of the review on local service delivery and notice of regional events to discuss the report (nearest: Wrexham 19th September, 10am-12 noon). Noted.
- b) One Voice Wales – notice of Montgomery Area Committee 6th September 7pm, Llanidloes Town Hall. Noted.

6.0 Financial Report

6.1 Financial Accounts & Audit for Financial Year 2005-2006 – to report and to approve the pre-audit accounts (encl.)

The Clerk presented the Financial Accounts for 2005-2006, and answered Members queries. Members noted that the internal audit reported stated that the record keeping and methodology continues to be of a high standard. The Chairman thanked the Clerk for the work in the preparation and explanation of the accounts.

RESOLVED 'to approve the accounts as presented, and that the Annual Return and Statement of Assurance should now be submitted to external auditor for 20th October'.

Action – Clerk to process

6.2 Items received since last meeting – to report.

The Clerk reported on income received since the last meeting as follows,

Payer	Description	£
E R D Corfield & Sons	Cemetery burial fee (plot 297)	100.00

6.3 Items for payment this meeting – to authorise items for payment, including as follows,

cheque	Payee	Description	£
361	Ray Parry Play'nd Services	New fittings for swings (x4)	98.70
362	D P Morris	Internal Audit 2005-2006 accounts	131.00
363	E J Humphreys	Refuse bags for cemetery (x1 roll)	27.50
St.Ord	E J Humphreys	Clerk's salary Aug 2006	324.06

Action – Clerk to process

6.4 Consolidated balances at 23rd Aug 2006 after sweep, receipts & payments – to report
The Clerk reported on gross, ring-fenced funds, & net available balances as follows,

Item	Reserve account £	Current account £
Gross balances	19,531.85	418.74
Less ring-fenced funds	2,036.88	0.00
Net balances available	17,494.97	418.74

7.0 Chairman's Announcements & date of next meeting

- a) Cllr D H Latimer – environmental concerns at White Grit – reported concerns from members of the public regarding dog barking and burning rubbish at night on the White Grit-Shropshire border. Members agreed that CCC will bring the matter to the attention of South Shropshire District Council
- b) Cllr D A Paterson – village hall grant from Powys CC – reported that Village Hall Committees have received formal notification of (reduced) grant from Powys CC for 2007-08, but that the calculations are not at all clear. Members agreed that the Village Hall Committees are advised to contact Powys CC in the first instance to request clarification
- c) Cllr B A Rowley – Castle Road / Wernddu lane – reported cars parking on the pavement, causing obstruction and making it difficult for pedestrians to pass easily and safely. Members agreed that CCC will bring the matter to the attention of Powys CC
- d) Cllr G F Griffiths – garage on Cross Likey – reported concerns of local residents at the apparent running of a business from a garage on Cross Likey estate. Without any further facts on the matter, Members agreed that in the first instance the matter can be raised with Powys CC Housing Office by the residents.

Action – Clerk to process

Next meeting – Wednesday 27th September 2006, 7:30 p.m. at Churchstoke

Meeting ended 8:30 p.m.