

**CYNGOR CYMUNED YR YSTOG**  
**CHURCHSTOKE COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
 2 Rows Terrace, Plough Bank, Montgomery, Powys. SY15 6QD

**MINUTES of Meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> May 2006**  
 at Churchstoke Community Village Hall, at 7.50 p.m.

**1.0 Attendance, Apologies and Declarations of Members' Interests** – Cllr Mrs B J Davies (Chairman), Cllr E Evans, Cllr G F Griffiths, Cllr M J Jones, Cllr D H Latimer, Cllr D A Paterson, Cllr D L Powell, Cllr P A Rees, Cllr Mrs B A Rowley, Cllr Mrs A R Stephens

Apologies – Cllr Mrs P J Jones

The Chairman welcomed members of the public.

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

Agenda Number	Item	Councillor	Nature of Declaration
5.5	Planning applications	D L Powell	Interest in M20060469
5.5	Planning applications	M J Jones	Member of Powys planning authority

**2.0 Minutes of Meetings** – to approve and sign the minutes of meeting 26<sup>th</sup> April 2006 at Hyssington Village Hall, as a correct record.

The minutes of the meeting of 26<sup>th</sup> April 2006 were approved and signed as a correct record.

**3.0 Matters Arising from minutes for Information** – to report matters for information arising from minutes of meeting 26<sup>th</sup> April 2006 at Hyssington Village Hall,

3.1 (3.1) Enquiry to BT regarding Broadband

The Clerk reported on response from BT Complaint Review Service, stating that no faults have been reported on the example numbers supplied. Members agreed that CCC will not pursue the matter any further.

3.2 (12.4) Powys Local Health Board Consultation documents

Cllr D A Paterson reported on reviewing the documents and recommended a response, which Members agreed to submit.

**4.0 Application for registration of Village Green in Churchstoke** – report

The Clerk reported on the latest correspondence from the Registration Authority viz. that CCC's submissions have been considered and the authority is satisfied that the applications have been duly made.

**5.0 Planning Matters**

5.1 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

### 5.2 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

### 5.3 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
M20060206	Field encl SO2394 adj. Cockshutt	Outline planning permission refused

### 5.4 Planning Specific Correspondence – to receive correspondence (if any)

5.4.1 Re – M20050963, Land opp. Cwm Chapel, Mellington. Erection of timber shed & timber fence – to report and discuss correspondence from applicant (previously circulated)

The Clerk reported on correspondence from the applicant of M20050963 enquiring as to how CCC dealt with the application, and stated that a formal acknowledgement has already been sent. Members discussed the matter and agreed their collective reply.

Action – Clerk to process

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

Declarations of Members' Interests:

- M20060469 – Cllr D L Powell, having earlier declared an interest left the meeting for this item.
- All applications – Cllr M J Jones, having earlier declared an interest as a member of the planning authority, refrained from voting.

RESOLVED 'to respond to consultation on applications as follows' –

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

Ref.	Applicant	Site	Description	rec.
<i>New Plans</i>				
M20060415	A C Norton, 6 Marine Parade, Tywyn, Gwynedd	Land adj. Water Lily Bungalow, Churchstoke	Erection of local needs dwelling & formation of vehicular access (outline)	N
M20060469	Mr & Mrs L Powell, Todleth Farm, Old Churchstoke	Barn at Todleth Farm, Old Churchstoke	Conversion of barn to form residential dwelling & installation of septic tank	S

Action – Clerk to process

### 5.6 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

### 6.0 One Voice Wales / Society of Local Council Clerks, Guidance Notes – to receive reports of area meetings/guidance notes/correspondence

Cllr M J Jones reported on attendance at the AGM where the main topic of debate was the proposed changes to the Powys Local Health Board.

## 7.0 Playgrounds

7.1 Playground Inspections – to receive the reports of the February 2006 inspections (BMX report previously circulated)

The Clerk reported on the results of the 2006 RoSPA safety inspections of 14<sup>th</sup> February at Cae Camlad and at the BMX area, and highlighted items of low medium, high risk, at the Cae Camlad playground. Repairs have already been undertaken to the ramp (high risk) and have been requisitioned for other (low) risks.

RESOLVED *‘To continue with the requisition of repairs at Cae Camlad as appropriate’*.  
Action – Clerk to process

7.2 BMX Area – to discuss and resolve on the future of the BMX area

Members discussed the future of the BMX site in the light of the RoSPA report. It was noted that after some initial success there appeared to be a lack of commitment and participation by parents and users groups in running the site, and the site had deteriorated considerably. Members agreed to try once more to regenerate enthusiasm before any decision would be made to dismantle, but cautioned against further financial commitments.

RESOLVED *‘to arrange a meeting of interested parties to attempt to regenerate interest in running the site. Decision on the future will depend on the success and commitment of the meeting’*.

Action – Chairman,  
Cllr D A Paterson,  
Cllr P A Rees

## 8.0 Financial Report

8.1 Items received since last meeting – to report.

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

Payer	Description	£
Powys County Council	1 <sup>st</sup> installment of Precept & Recreation Grant	5,224.51
E R D Corfield & Sons	Cemetery burial & excl. right fees (plot 458)	150.00
E R D Corfield & Sons	Cemetery excl. right fee (plot 123)	75.00
E R D Corfield & Sons	Cemetery burial & excl. right fees (plot 457)	200.00

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

RESOLVED *‘CCC authorises items for payment as follows’*,

cheque	Payee	Description	£
339	Churchstoke Rec. Assoc.	Room hire Jan-Mar 2006	22.40
340	Allianz Cornhill Insurance	Insurance premium 2006-2007	451.18
341	Mr Herbert Stafford	Pest control playgr'nd & cemetery	80.00
342	Gilbert Davies & partners	Professional advice Village Green	352.50
St.Ord	E J Humphreys	Clerk's salary May 2006	324.06

Action – Clerk to process

8.2 Consolidated balances at 24<sup>th</sup> May 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 £
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Gross balances	22,709.31	500.00
Less ring-fenced funds	3,650.39	0.00
Net balances available	19,058.92	500.00

## 9.0 Highways Reports

### 9.1 Highways report from Powys/Shropshire CC to CCC – to report

The Clerk reported on replies/correspondence from Powys CC/Shropshire CC

- a) Blue Barn Corner, Green Lane – potholes, and stone protruding into carriageway on the Old Churchstoke side of corner. Instruction already issued.
- b) The View, Old Churchstoke – foul water draining onto carriageway. Inspection to be made to ascertain nature of problem.

### 9.2 Highways report from CCC to Powys CC – to report

#### Declarations of Members' Interests:

- Cllr M J Jones, declared an interest as a member of the County County Rights of Way Committee
  - a) Cllr D H Latimer – footpath and bridleway from Woodgate through Corndon farm – obstructions making passage along the rights of way very difficult
  - b) Cllr D A Paterson - at road junction with Church Lane – reminder that carriageway is now reduced to 2.7m and heavy vehicles regularly overhang the edge
  - c) Cllr M J Jones – Wernddu lane – continuing in a very poor surface condition, with flooding and silting. Members agreed to enquire whether weight restrictions could be applied.

Action – Clerk to process

## 10.0 Correspondence – to receive items of general correspondence.

### 10.1 Powys County Council

Re – Minutes of Spring Liaison Committee

Copy of the minutes of the meeting at which CCC was represented, 8<sup>th</sup> March 2006.

Noted.

### 10.2 Welsh Assembly Government – Head of Local Government Policy Division

Re – Good Practice Guide for Community & Town Councils in Wales

Copy of the new guide for town and community councillors following the earlier 2004 publication “Good Councillor’s Guide”. The guide has been prepared by University of Gloucester for the WAG, in consultation with One Voice Wales, and the Soc of Local Council Clerks. Distributed to all Members.

### 10.3 Montgomery Community Health Council – Chief Officer

Re – Powys Local Health Board current consultation exercise

Notice of consultation meeting 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 6.30pm, Maesmawr Hall, Caersws, to review the two PLHB consultation documents

- a) “Designed to Deliver – shaping Acute hospitals in Mid & West Wales”
- b) “Doing More Doing Better” – proposals for service modernisation in Powys

### 10.4 Various other correspondence, tabled

- a) Powys CC – ‘[customer@powys](mailto:customer@powys)’ newsletter, regarding progress with ‘Access to Services’ program. Noted

- b) Powys CC – Financial Accounts 2005-2006, notice of availability for inspection. Already distributed for notice boards.
- c) Welsh Assembly Government – Mid and West Wales Regional Committee, notice of meeting 19<sup>th</sup> May at Machynlleth, focussing on ‘The Potential for Green Jobs in Mid & West Wales’. Noted
- d) Welsh Assembly Government – Health Challenge Wales, Spring 2006 Newspaper 2. Tabled.
- e) South Shropshire DC – notice of public meeting to discuss changes to planning policy. Noted
- f) Environment Agency – Focus newsletter, Upper Severn April 2006. Noted.
- g) Eaga Partnership – Home Energy Conservation Scheme (funded by WAG), publicity material. Noted.
- h) Play for Wales / Chawarae dros Cymru – Spring 2006 newsletter. Noted.
- i) Menter Maldwyn – Welsh Language service, promotional literature. Noted.

#### **11.0 Chairman’s Announcements & Date of AGM and Next Meeting**

- a) Cllr D H Latimer – enquired regarding the withdrawal of county council bus tokens. Cllr M J Jones explained that bus passes are issued instead and can be obtained from the County Council offices at Neuadd Maldwyn, Welshpool
- b) Chairman – suggested that County Council news is a standing agenda item
- c) Chairman – reminded Members that an officer from the Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Service will be making a presentation at the June meeting

Next meeting – Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2006, 7:30 p.m. at Churchstoke

Meeting ended 9:25 p.m.