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

MINUTES of Meeting on Wednesday 24th November 2004
 at Hyssington Village Hall, 7.30 p.m.

1.0 Attendance – Cllr Mrs B J Davies (Chairman), Cllr E Evans (Vice-chairman), Cllr G F Griffiths, Cllr M J Jones, Cllr Mrs P J Jones, Cllr Mrs B A Rowley, Cllr Mrs A R Stephens.

Apologies – Cllr G C Hamer, Cllr D A Paterson, Cllr D L Powell.

2.0 Minutes of Meeting – to approve and sign the minutes of 27th October 2004 at Churchstoke Community Hall, as a correct record.

The minutes of the meeting of 27th October 2004 were approved and signed as a correct record.

3.0 Matters Arising for Information – to report matters for information from minutes of 27th October 2004 at Churchstoke Community Hall

3.1 (5.2) Powys CC Autumn Liaison Meeting 2004

The Clerk reported on attendance, with the Chairman and Cllr M J Jones, at the meeting. Topics under discussion were,

- Highways Improvement Programme and question and answer session
- Community Strategy and its development progress
- Freedom of Information including the implications for Town & Community Councils
- Transfer of Liquor Licensing Regime from the Magistrates Court to the County Council (Licensing Act 203)
- Communications

3.2 (8.0) Elections to Montgomeryshire Standards Sub-committee

The Clerk reported on the result of the election to the Montgomeryshire Standards Sub-committee as follows,

- Elected as members:
 - o Councillor David Breeze, Meifod Community Council
 - o Councillor Hywel Evans, Llanfihangel Community Council
- Elected as reserve:
 - o Councillor John Jones, Llanfihangel Community Council

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		

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		

4.3 Powys CC Planning Service Decisions – to report recent Powys CC planning decisions

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

Ref.	Site	Powys CC Planning Decision
M20041046	Oakfields, Coed Lane, Churchstoke	Full planning permission granted
M20041079	Penbwythyn, Priest Weston	Full planning permission refused

4.4 Planning Specific Correspondence – to receive and resolve on correspondence (if any)

The Clerk reported on correspondence relating to planning matters as follows –

Ref.	Site	Description
None	None	

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

Council RESOLVED ‘to comment on applications as follows’ –

S = support, O = object, N = note

Ref.	Applicant	Site	Description	rec.
<i>New Plans</i>				
M20041189	S Pearson, Green Acres, The Pant, Old Churchstoke	Green Acres, The Pant, Old Churchstoke	Erection of extension	S
M20041263	Mr & Mrs B Evans, Oak Haven Cottage, Priest Weston	Oak Haven Cottage, Priest Weston	Erection of extensions to dwelling	S
M20041265	Mr R Page, Acorn Workshop, Snead	Acorn Workshop, Snead	Erection of implement storage building	S
M20041283	Mr & Mrs R Page, Dolyfelin, Pentre	Dolyfelin, Pentre	Erection of extension & detached garage	S

Action – Clerk to process

5.0 Correspondence – to receive items of general correspondence

5.1 Powys County Council – Chief Executive

Re – A-Z of Services

Copy of the Powys CC booklet A-Z of Services, valid until July 2005. Noted.

5.2 Welsh Assembly Government – Rt Hon Rhodri Morgan AM

Re – Making the Connections: The WAG Vision for Public Services

Copy of the Publication ‘Making the Connections’ policy document outlining the WAG public service vision, and inviting comments to a consultation to be issued over the coming months. Also a copy of supporting paper on ICT and E-Government in Wales.

Noted

5.3 Welsh Assembly Government – Minister for Finance, Local Government & Public Services

Re – The Good Councillor’s Guide

Copy of the new guide for town and community councillors. The guide has been prepared by University of Gloucester for the WAG, and in consultation with One Voice Wales, Soc of Local Council Clerks, Audit Commission, the Commission for Local Administration, and local authority Monitoring Officers. Distributed to all Members.

5.4 Dyfed Powys Police Authority

Re – Public Meetings of Community Consultative Forums in November
Notification of Public Meetings of Community Consultative Forums to be held in November, along with notes from the February/March 2004 meetings. Noted.

5.6 Powys Substance Misuse Action Team

Re – Consultation Event and Action Plan 2005-2008
Notification and invitation to attend a consultation event Tuesday 7th December 10:00am-4:00pm, Hafod Hendre, Royal Welsh Showground, Builth Wells. Noted

5.7 One Voice Wales – Acting Chief Officer

Re – Montgomeryshire Area Committee
Copy of minutes of Montgomeryshire Area Committee meeting 10th November. Noted.

5.8 Cae Post Recycling

Re – AGM 2nd December 2004
Notification and invitation to attend the AGM Thursday 2nd December 2004, 7:30pm at the Resource Recovery Centre, Criggion Lane, Trewern. Passed to Cllr A Stephens.

5.9 Various other material

a) PAVO – notice of funding awareness events 1st-8th December. Noted

6.0 Application for Public Entertainment Licence – to receive and resolve a response to consultation by Powys CC on application at Hyssington Village Hall

The Clerk reported on consultation by Powys CC on an application for a Public Entertainment Licence,

at	Hyssington Village Institute
applicant	Hyssington Village Institute Management Committee
dates	1 st October 2004 to 30 th September 2005

Members RESOLVED that '*CCC has no objection to the granting of the licence*'.

Action - Clerk to process

7.0 Application for Occasional Theatres Licence – to receive and resolve a response to consultation by Powys CC on application at Churchstoke Community Hall

The Clerk reported on consultation by Powys CC on an application for an (Occasional) Theatres Licence,

at	Churchstoke Community Hall
applicant	Mrs J Andrew, on behalf of Corndon Amateur Dramatic Society
dates	30 th Nov., 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th Dec. 2004

Council RESOLVED that '*CCC has no objection to the granting of the licence*'.

Action – Clerk to process

8.0 Powys CC Licensing Policy – to report on draft policy issued for consultation by Powys CC and to resolve a response

The Clerk reminded Members of the consultation by Powys CC on the proposed new licensing regime. Although there was some general discussion around the subject, in the absence of the councillor leading on the matter, CCC agreed not to make a formal response.

Action – Clerk to reply

9.0 BMX Site – working party to report further on written specifications for the site improvements to be undertaken by CCC

Cllr G Griffiths reported on preparation of the written specification, and a quotation from Colley Construction.

Council RESOLVED *‘to accept the specification and the quotation from Mr Colley, and to proceed with the work as soon as possible’*.

Action – Clerk to process

10.0 Community Plan – to further consider the development and adoption of a community planning policy or planning terms of reference and to resolve on same

The Chairman reminded Members of their wish to consider the merits of developing a community plan, particularly with reference to planning developments.

Council RESOLVED *‘that CCC will develop a Community Plan incorporating Planning Terms of Reference, and that a working party of Chairman, Cllr E Evans, Cllr G Griffiths, Cllr P Jones, and Clerk convene to develop the content and report back to Council’*.

Action – for working party

11.0 Churchstoke Cemetery – to further consider requirements and implications of safety inspections, and to resolve on adoption of a policy/procedure for dealing with same

The Clerk reminded Members of their earlier discussions and their wish to review the position at the Churchstoke Cemetery. No reply had been received from the insurance company, although the Clerk was able to report on the issue was being dealt with by some other community councils and by the Diocese of Hereford. The financial implications were discussed in the light of the annual budget process

Council RESOLVED *‘to agree to proceed in principle to undertake a memorial safety project, still dependent on the response from insurers, and to allocate finance for the project phased over 5 years for the project’*.

Action – Clerk to process

12.0 Dates of Meetings

12.1 to resolve to change the date of December 2004 meeting

The Clerk reminded Members that the December meeting is scheduled for 29th December and that in view of the practicalities of the Christmas and New Year holidays, the 22nd December might be preferable.

Council RESOLVED *‘change the date of the December meeting to 22nd December 2004’*.

Action – Clerk to contact
caretaker

12.2 to resolve on dates of meetings for 2005

The Clerk presented the proposed dates for CCC meetings in 2005.

Council RESOLVED *'to set the dates for 2005 as presented (the dates to be set out in the appendix to these minutes)'*.

Action – Clerk to write
to caretakers

13.0 Financial Report

13.1 Financial Year 2005-2006 – to receive appeals for financial assistance

The Clerk reported on financial appeals received during the year as follows,

- Childline Cymru
- Hope Hose Children's Hospice
- National Eisteddfod of Wales 2005 (Bangor)
- Powys Citizens Advice Bureau
- Shelter Cymru

Noted.

Action – on December agenda

13.2 Financial Year 2005-2006 – to receive 2nd draft annual budget and to resolve on bid for Cemetery Funds

The Clerk reported for the working party and presented 2nd draft of the 2005-2006 budget. Members were reminded the need to submit the bid for concurrent funding for cemeteries immediately after this meeting.

Council RESOLVED *'to proceed with the CCC bid for cemetery concurrent function grants based on the draft as modified for the phased financing of the safety scheme'*.

The budget will be re-presented for further discussion at the December meeting.

Action – Clerk to process

13.3 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 ashes fee (plot 339)	38.00
E R D Corfield & Sons	Cemetery ashes fee (plot 113)	38.00

13.4 Items for payment this meeting – to authorise items for payment, including as follows, Members RESOLVED *'to authorise items for payment as follows'*,

cheque	Payee	Description	£
267	Churchstoke Recr'n Assoc'n	Room hire Jul-Sep 2004	14.00
268	Severn Waste Disposal	Emptying of soak-away chambers	105.75
269	G F & M Astley Landscapes	Grass-cutting contract 2004-2005	3,701.25
270	Royal British Legion	Poppy appeal 2004	25.00
271	E J Humphreys	BT Openworld calls Jul-Sep 2004	2.39
St.Ord	E J Humphreys	Clerk's salary November 2004	305.73

Action – Clerk to process

13.5 Consolidated balances at 24th Nov. 2004 after sweep, receipts & payments – to report
The Clerk reported on gross, ring-fenced funds, & net available balances as follows,

	reserve account £	current account £
Gross balances	13,963.95	500.00
Less ring-fenced funds	2,104.50	0.00
Net balances available	11,859.45	500.00

14.0 Powys County Council and Highways Reports

14.1 Highways report from Powys CC to CCC – to report items from Powys CC

The Clerk reported on a letter of acknowledgement from Powys CC regarding,

- a) C2009 Hyssington turn to Llan turn – heavy vehicles have been off the road onto the soft verge cutting large trenches in 2 places which have now filled with water. The verges need repair, and there is a risk that freezing weather may raise the tarmac.

PCC states that the verge will be inspected and filled as appropriate.

14.2 Highways report from CCC to Powys CC – to report items to Powys CC

- a) Cllr E Evans – A489 The Bridge, Churchstoke – visibility at The Willows is still slightly obstructed by trees, for traffic travelling towards Welshpool and Newtown. Although some trimming may have been done (it is not immediately obvious), there is still a problem
- b) Chairman – the Cwm to Argoed junction, Mellington – road markings at the junction are very worn, and do little to improve safety for traffic travelling to and from The Cwm. An accident involving a mini-bus carrying children has been recently narrowly avoided. In view of the increasing development at Argoed, it will become even more of a priority to have clear safety markings

Action – Clerk to write to PCC

- c) Cllr G Griffiths – car parking at the foot of Hall Bank – is once again a problem. The Clerk reminded Members of the offer of Mid Wales Housing to contact their tenants if necessary.

Action – Clerk to write to MWH

15.0 Chairman's Announcements & Dates of next meetings

Next meetings –

Wednesday 1st December 2004, 7:30 p.m. **at Hyssington** (special UDP meeting)

Wednesday 22nd December 2004, 7:30 p.m. **at Churchstoke**

Meeting ended 9:05 p.m.

Appendix to Minutes of meeting of CCC on 24th November 2003

Dates of Community Council Meetings for 2005

Meetings are normally scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m.

Day	Date	Comment
Wed	26/01/2005	at Churchstoke
Wed	23/02/2005	at Churchstoke
Wed	23/03/2005	at Churchstoke
Wed	27/04/2005	at Hyssington
Wed	25/05/2005	at Churchstoke
Wed	22/06/2005	at Churchstoke
Wed	27/07/2005	at Hyssington
Wed	24/08/2005	at Churchstoke. Planning Meeting only
Wed	21/09/2005	at Churchstoke
Wed	26/10/2005	at Churchstoke
Wed	23/11/2005	at Hyssington
Wed	21/12/2005	at Churchstoke

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