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

MINUTES of Meeting on 27th May 2009
 at Churchstoke Community Hall at 7.45 p.m.

1.0 Attendance, Apologies and Declarations of Members' Interests

Attendance: Cllr J Stelmasiak (Vice-Chairman), Cllr C S Fowles, Cllr S V Griffiths, Cllr M J Jones, Cllr L D Owen, Cllr D H Payne, Cllr P C Rigg, Cllr B A Rowley, Cllr V E D Tudor.

In the absence of the Chairman, the Vice-Chairman took the Chair.

Apologies for Absence: Cllr D L Powell (Chairman).

Declarations of Members' interests: Members declared interests during the meeting as follows:

Agenda Number	Item	Councillor	Nature of Declaration
4.4	Planning Applications	M J Jones	Personal not Prejudicial Interest as a Members of Powys CC Planning Committee

2.0 Minutes of Meetings – to approve and sign the minutes of 29th April 2009 at Hyssington Village Hall, as a correct record.

The minutes of the meeting 29th April 2009 were approved and signed as a correct record, with amendments as follows:

2.1 (1.0) Attendance, Apologies and Declarations of Members' Interests

Cllr M J Jones had declared an interest as member of Powys CC Rights of Way Committee, not of Powys CC Planning Committee as indicated.

2.2 (11.1) Public Paths Diversion Orders

Cllr M J Jones had declared an interest as member of Powys CC Rights of Way Committee, not of Powys CC Planning Committee as indicated.

2.3 (11.3d) Highways and Rights of Way report from CCC to Powys/Shropshire CC

Cllr P C Rigg reported on C2009, not Cllr P A Rigg as indicated.

3.0 Matters Arising from Minutes for Information – to report matters for information arising from minutes of 29th April 2009 at Hyssington Village Hall.

3.1 (6.0) Cemetery

The Clerk reported that Cllr B A Rowley and the Clerk will meet on site on Sunday 31st May to take advice on tree maintenance.

3.2 (12a) Powys CC

Cllr M J Jones reported that the Powys CC meeting scheduled for 30th April to discuss the Welsh Assembly Government proposals for education, and the likely adverse effects on post-16 education services, was cancelled.

3.3 (14.0b) Seat at Cemetery

The Clerk reported that Cllr B A Rowley and the Clerk have agreed terms with Mr Casewell for donation of a seat at the Cemetery.

4.0 Planning Matters:

4.1 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
P20090304	Mellington Hall, Mellington	Consent to display advertisements

4.2 Planning Specific Correspondence – to receive planning specific correspondence (if any)

None.

4.3 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
None		

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

Declarations of Members' interests

- Cllr M J Jones: all applications – previously declared a Personal not Prejudicial Interest as a Members of Powys CC Planning Committee

RESOLVED '*CCC responds to planning consultations as follows:*'

Ref.	Applicant	Site	Description	rec.
P20090482	Mr R Page, Dolyfelin, Pentre, Churchstoke	Land adj. Acorn Workshop, Snead, Churchstoke	Erection of replacement agricultural fodder and implement store building	S

Action – Clerk to process

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

Ref.	Site	Description
None		

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 as follows –

Ref	Site	Description

5.0 One Voice Wales / Society of Local Council Clerks, Guidance Notes – to receive reports of AGM / conference / area meetings / guidance notes / correspondence.

5.1 One Voice Wales

5.1.1 Notice and agenda for OVW 2009 Annual Conference and AGM, Saturday 10th October at Bont Pavilion, Pontrhydfendigaid,

- Conference: at 10:30am; two delegates per council; £70 per delegate; theme being 'Developing your Community'; booking by 31st July.
- AGM: at 2.15pm, one vote per council, free of charge. Councils are invited to submit a maximum of two motions for debate by 26th June. Cllr M J Jones agreed to represent CCC at the AGM

Action – Clerk to process
Action – Cllr M J Jones to attend

5.2 Society of Local Council Clerks

5.2.1 Details of 'Conference for Wales', Tuesday 7th July 10am-4pm, Llandudno at £49 per attendee.

5.2.2 Details of cemetery management course, Wednesday 10th June, 9.30am-4.00pm, Swansea at cost £95 per delegate.

6.0 Allotments – to report from the allotments task group.

The Vice-Chairman reminded Members of the resolution to establish garden allotments. Members note that due to council commitments with village green task group, that the allotments task group had not met in May. Cllr J Stelmasiak also reported two further expressions of interest, making 10 in total. The allotments task group arranged to meet on Monday 8th June, 7pm.

Action – Allotments group with Clerk

7.0 Village Green at Hyssington – to report from the village green task group.

The Vice-Chairman reminded Members of agreement to undertake a survey of the neighbourhood to seek evidence to support and application, and to host an open meeting in Hyssington for interested members of the public. The Clerk reported on the open meeting and that the task group will meet after the survey end date to evaluate the returns. The village green group arranged to meet on Sunday 21st June, 7pm.

Action – Village Green group with Clerk

8.0 Playgrounds – to receive the reports, of the February 2009 inspections.

Council received the results of the 2009 RoSPA safety inspections of 11th February at Cae Camlad playground. In general, items are graded as low risk but with two medium-high risks (at the entrance area and on the metal fixing of the multiplay unit).

RESOLVED *'To requisition repairs at Cae Camlad playground as practical and appropriate, with reference to the inspection results'.*

Action – Clerk to process

9.0 Financial Report:

9.1 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 st instal. precept/recr'n grant & cemet'y grant	7,110.25
J Munslow	Allotment No.3 rent 2009-2010	70.00

9.2 Items for payment – to report and resolve to approve items for payment as follows:

RESOLVED *'CCC authorises payments as follows'.*

Chq	Payee	Description	£ex vat	£vat	£inc vat
<i>To authorise items for payment this meeting:</i>					
496	E J Humphreys	BT Openw'ld Jan-Mar'09	3.65	0.00	3.65
497	Allianz Insurance plc	Insurance prem. 2009-10	510.66	0.00	510.66
<i>Total to authorise for payment this meeting</i>			<i>514.31</i>	<i>0.0</i>	<i>55.31</i>
<i>Items previously authorised (meeting 29th April 2009) for payment this meeting:</i>					
498	Bobarth Children's Therapy Centre Wales	Donation 2009-10	25.00	0.00	25.00
499	Hope House Children's Hospice	Donation 2009-10	25.00	0.00	25.00
500	Montgomeryshire Family Crisis Centre	Donation 2009-10	25.00	0.00	25.00
501	Powys Citizens Advice Bureau	Donation 2009-10	60.00	0.00	60.00
502	The Samaritans	Donation 2009-10	25.00	0.00	25.00
503	Wales Air Ambulance	Donation 2009-10	25.00	0.00	25.00
<i>Total previously authorised for payment this meeting</i>			<i>185.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>185.00</i>
<i>To report items previously authorised to be paid by direct debit or standing order:</i>					
SO	E J Humphreys	Clerk's salary May'09	383.88	0.00	383.88
<i>Total previously authorised paid by d.deb. or st. ord.</i>			<i>383.88</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>383.88</i>

Action – Clerk to process

9.3 Consolidated balances at 27th May 2009 after sweep, receipts & payments – to report.
The Clerk reported on the M&G quarterly statement for 1st Jan-31st Mar 2009,

Fund	Number of shares	Share Price (p)	Value at 31/03/2009 (£)
Charibond	100	115.10	115.10

The Clerk reported on gross, ring-fenced funds, & net available balances as follows:

Item	Reserve account £	Current account £
Gross balances	31,150.35	500.00
Less ring-fenced funds	6,585.68	0.00
Net balances available	24,564.67	500.00

10.0 Highways and Rights of Way Reports:

10.1 Highways and Rights of Way report from Powys/Shropshire CC to CCC – to report.

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

- B4385 near the Courthouse – flooding in times of recent rainfall. No reply from Powys CC.
- B4385 at Pentre Bridge – flooding and difficulties for traffic during the first rainfall for some time. No reply from Powys CC.
- B4385 at the Feeding Grounds Cottage (grid ref approx SO 267 923) – overhanging trees making for single file traffic. No reply from Powys CC.
- C2009 near Llanerch – potholes (especially near Llanerch) along the length from C2056 (Hyssington turn) to A489. No reply from Powys CC.

Cllr M J Jones also reported that surface repairs on C2149 Pullets Bank to the Moat have been completed (re: CCC March 2009 meeting).

10.2 Highways and Rights of Way report from CCC to Powys CC – to report.

- a) Cllr J Stelmasiak: A489 – pothole adj. road island near Waterlily Cottage, on left lane heading east.

Action – Clerk to process

11.0 County Council Matters– to receive and discuss other general Powys CC, Shropshire CC, and South Shropshire DC matters.

- a) Powys CC: Cllr M J Jones reported,
- Annual Meeting of Powys CC: new Chairman Cllr D Price; new Montgomeryshire Chairman Cllr R Davies
 - Changes in opening times and arrangements for Register Offices in Powys: from 1st April members for the public will be able to register at any Powys office (as opposed to only the area in which they live). Offices near to Churchstoke are as follows:

Office	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Newtown	10:00-13:00	14:00-16:00	14:00-16:00	09:00-12:00	10:00-13:00
Welshpool	13:00-16:00	09:00-12:00	10:00-13:00	13:00-16:00	10:00-13:00

- Waste Management Collections: over the next 12months, collection arrangements will be changing to weekly collections for recyclable waste, fortnightly collections for non-recyclable waste in ‘wheelie-bins’ where practical, and in black bags where ‘wheelie-bins’ are not practical
- Waste Management Roadshows: to be held 22nd June, 9.30am-12.30pm at Tuffins, then at Montgomery Broad Street 1.30pm-3.30pm.

- b) South Shropshire DC:

- No report.

12.0 Correspondence – to receive other items of general correspondence.

12.1 Powys CC – Regeneration Manager

Re: Community Benefits from Wind farms

Council received a copy of the draft protocol, amended following consultation with Town and Community Councils, as will be presented to Powys CC Board for sign off on 3rd July. Noted.

12.2 Welsh Assembly Government – Head of Local Government Finance

Re: Proposed changes to Account & Audit (Wales) Regulations 2005

Council received a consultation paper on proposed amendments to the regulations as affecting town and community councils, with responses welcomed during the consultation period 8th May to 31st July. Members asked the Clerk to report back on issues to the July meeting.

Action – Clerk to process

12.3 Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Authority – Chairman of the Authority

Re: Strategic Plan 2010-2015 and Draft Action Plan 2010-2011

Council received a copy of the Strategic Plan and of the Draft Action Plan. Comments are welcomed on the action plan during the consultation period 12th May-4th August. Noted.

12.4 Various other correspondences listed:

- a) Chairman of Powys Standards Committee – feedback on numbers of attendees at training for the new Members' Code of Conduct. Noted.
- b) Wales Audit Office—notice of Audit Office conference 20th May, Cardiff, and a late invitation to town and community councils to participate. The Clerk informed Members that CC had contact the audit office to explain that to receive invitation on 9th May for conference 20th May is too short notice to reasonable expect take up.
- c) Powys CC – notice of advertisement and period of availability of accounts for inspection commencing 1st July. Noted.
- d) Dyfed Powys Police (Chief Superintendent Gwyn Thomas) – information that Chief Superintendent Gwyn Thomas (Divisional Commander Powys) is leaving post with effect from 19th April to take appointment as Acting Assistant Chief Constable at Force HQ. Superintendent Steve Hughes is appointed as new Divisional Commander Powys. Noted.
- e) Powys CC Waste Awareness – summer newsletter. Noted.
- f) North Powys Community Councils Forum – minutes of meeting Friday 24th April, 11am at Welshpool. Noted.

13.0 Chairman's Announcements & Date of Next Business Meeting

- a) Clerk – reminded members that the closing date for Green Grants applications is 31st May.

Next business meeting: Wednesday 24th June 2009, 7:45 p.m. at Churchstoke.

Meeting ended 8.40 p.m.