

**Cyngor Cymuned MOCHDRE gyda PHENSTRYWAID
MOCHDRE with PENSTROWED Community Council**

Ashford, The Bank, Newtown, Powys, SY16 2AB

**Minutes of the Interim Community Council Planning Meeting held on Friday
14th June 2013, 8:00p.m. at Mochdre Old School.**

PRESENT:

Cllr. Russell Williams (Chairman)
Cllr. Robin Lewis (Vice Chairman)
Cllr. Linda Davies
Cllr. David Forster
Cllr. Gordon Jones
Cllr. Jean Williams
Cllr. Philip Williams
Cllr. Douglas Wood

APOLOGIES:

None

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Mrs. Kath Wigley (Clerk)

Members of Mochdre Community

1. 0. Attendance and Apologies for Absence

1.1. See above.

1.2. **Declarations of Members' Interests** – There were two Declarations of Member's Interest made.

Name of Councillor	Item	Personal	Prejudicial
Robin Lewis	2.2.	√	√
Gordon Jones	2.2.	√	√

2.0. Planning Matters

2.1. Application Ref: **DECC2013 0003** Grid Ref: 307083.57/290965.3 – for Application under Section 37 of the Electricity Act 1989 to install an 11Kv overhead line (142m in length) and a short section of underground cabling (retrospective) at Land at Penstrowed, Newtown, Powys. SP Manweb PLC propose to install an underground supply, which will be taken from an existing overhead service line (the route of which is shown in red on the supplied plan). This installation will mean that the overhead line will now supply more than one property and therefore retrospective planning is being sought. There was a majority vote in favour of the application.

IT WAS RESOLVED that the Clerk writes to the Planning Officer to convey support by the deadline of 18th June.

2.2. Planning Application Ref: **P/2013/0524** Grid Ref: 306380.94/285501.74 for Installation of a 50kW wind turbine generator (hub height 24.8m, rotor diameter 19.2m and 34.4m to its tip when fully extended) along with subsidiary infrastructure including crane hardstanding and control cabinet, plus an access track for dual purpose of agricultural access and wind turbine installation and maintenance at Land at Dugwm Farm, Pentre, Mochdre, Newtown, Powys.

Cllr Gordon Jones declared a prejudicial interest in this item, stating that he would not take part in the discussion, but would vote in his role of representative of the members of the community he had contacted with regard to the application prior to the meeting.

Before any discussion commenced the Council was made aware of a letter, and accompanying petition, in opposition to the proposed application which had been sent to the Planning Office (copies of which had been received by the Clerk just prior to the meeting).

The Chairman stated he wished to make it clear that the Community Council acts as consultee only in these matters, with its observations being passed on to Powys County Council Planning Department to assist them in making their final decision.

Councillor Linda Davies opened the discussion. Following the points she raised the Chairman stated that the views which had been expressed were those of the individual and not necessarily those of the Council. Following a lively, and sometimes heated discussion (in which Cllrs. Jones and Lewis did not take part), involving the members of the public present, the Council took a vote by ballot paper with the following result:

- 3 Councillors supported the application
- 1 Councillor abstained
- 4 Councillors opposed the application

IT WAS RESOLVED that the Clerk writes to the Planning Officer to convey the Community Council's opposition to the application by the revised deadline of 28th June.

The meeting closed at 8:47pm.

K. Wigley
Clerk/y cleric
June, 2013

