

Minutes of Meeting held on Monday 30 April 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at Mochdre Old School

1.0. Attendance, Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Members' Interests

- 1.1. Cllrs Rees Williams (Chairman), Russell Williams (Vice Chairman), John Jandrell, Robin Lewis, Derek Hamer, Adrian Owen and County Cllr Roche Davies were in attendance. Apology for absence received from Cllr Tony Leach.
- 1.2. There were no declarations of members interests.
- 1.3. The newly appointed clerk Mrs Kath Wigley was introduced and welcomed by the Chairman.

2.0. Minutes of Meetings-to approve and sign the minutes as a correct record

- 2.1. Minutes of meeting held on Thursday 29th March 2012 at Mochdre Old School, having been previously printed and circulated, were agreed to be a true record and signed as such by the Chairman.

3.0. Matters Arising from Minutes.

4.0. Finance

- 4.1. Bank statement £2088.32 - Cash book stands at £2078.32. One cheque for £10 outstanding. The breakdown of balance is £949.77 for Mochdre CC and £1128.55 for P&L Trust.
- 4.2. Annual audit has been returned from the internal auditor and despatched to BDO the external auditors. Internal auditor's invoice for £25.00 received and approved for payment.

5.0. National Assembly

- 5.1.

6.0. Planning matters

- 6.1. Planning Application P2012/0383 for certificate of lawfulness for existing use of land namely the processing (involving screening, crushing and segregation) of inert building waste imported onto site together with Associated stockpiling at Penstrowed Quarry Caersws. There were no objections.

7.0. Powys County Council

- 7.1.

8.0. One Voice Wales

- 8.1. Invitation to Renew Membership of One Voice Wales – resolved to pay at last meeting and agreed to defer until the current financial year - £56.00
- 8.2. Copy of 'Shared Purpose – Shared Delivery Consultation' response sent on behalf of the sector by One Voice Wales – for information and attention – Chairman gave a brief overview of the document. The response was considered well thought out and comprehensive.

9.0. Zurich Insurance

- 9.1. Invitation to renew insurance cover due 1st June 2012, there will be no changes. Resolved to renew
- 9.2. Quote for insurance cover for bonfire event during Queen's Jubilee Celebrations of £106 additional payment. It was agreed to accept this quote and pay it from the P&L Trust Fund.

10.0. Lord Lieutenant of Powys

- 10.1. Invitation to attend a Powys Celebration for Her Majesty the Queen's Diamond Jubilee at Glanusk Estate Crickhowell on Friday 27th April 2012

11.0. Charities

- 11.1. Montgomeryshire Family Crisis Centre – request for financial assistance – resolved to 'leave on the table'

12.0. Play in Powys

12.1. Play in Powys Newsletter – Spring 2012 - Chairman gave an overview

13.0. Russell George AM

13.1. Letter from Assembly Member for Montgomeryshire, giving an update on Windfarms and the Mid Wales Connections, encouraging continuing opposition to them. Chairman read the letter to the council

14.0. Community Health Council

14.1. Review of Community Health Councils across Wales by the Director of the Welsh Institute for Health and Social Care. Professor Marcus Longley (The Director) and his team will be at the Montgomery CHC in Newtown on Friday 18th of May 2012 and will be available for appointments between 10:30 and 11:30am for anyone wishing to talk to them – noted. Information will be posted on notice boards

15.0. Queen's Diamond Jubilee

15.1. Application for financial assistance to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee by Mochdre with Penstrowed Community. It was resolved to approve a payment of £1000.00 from the P&L Trust Fund, with an initial £650.00 being made, in advance, today. It was proposed by Cllr Russell Williams and seconded by Cllr Adrian Owen that in the event of an underspend of the £1000.00 grant that the surplus be donated to the Mochdre Old School for maintenance and running costs.

16.0, New Clerk to the Council

16.1. There were two responses to the advertisement placed in the County Times. Mrs Kath Wigley was interviewed, proved to be very satisfactory, and will commence duties on 21st May 2012 at a salary of £900.00 per year paid in four quarterly instalments of £225.00 per quarter, the initial payment being made On 30 June 2012

17.0. Correspondence

17.1. Letter from Mochdre with Penstrowed Jubilee Committee

17.2. Reply to Council's response to Local Development Plan Preferred Strategy Consultation, informing Council that the comments made about the improvements needed to be carried out on the road C2025 below Stepside and the upgrading of the sewage system, before any further housing development in the area, had been noted, and added to the Local Development Plan database, for future reference. County Councillor confirmed that he had spoken to Highways Dept appraising them of the situation re road C2025 below Stepside and was assured that it had been discussed in County Hall and that it would be reviewed and reported on.

18.0. Chairman's Announcements.

18.1. Chairman read out his valedictory letter. He has been a member of the council for 35 years, and Chairman for 21 of them. He recounted one of the most satisfying actions taken during his tenure of office, and thanked all councillors and clerks, present and past, for their support. His good wishes were sent to all candidates standing for office during the imminent election. County Councillor Roche Davies then thanked Rees Williams for his service to the community, and to the clerk on his retirement

19.0. The date of the next meeting

19.1. Annual General Meeting held on 21st May 2012 followed by an ordinary meeting

The meeting closed at 20:00 hrs