

Minutes of a meeting of the Manafon Community Council held on Wednesday the 2nd of April 2014 at 7.30pm. at New Mills Village Hall.

- 1) Present – Cllrs. R. Benyon, Chairman, J. S. Davies, J. Hall, E. A. Lewis, H. Lewis, T. Jerman and the Clerk Mrs. Rosemary Davies.
- 2) Apologies for absence – An apology for absence was received from Cllr. C. Davies.
- 3) Declaration of Interest – There were none.
- 4) Minutes of the last meeting – It was proposed by Cllr. H. Lewis, seconded by Cllr. J. S. Davies and agreed by all to approve the minutes of a meeting held on the 5th of March 2014. They were then signed by the Chairman.
- 5) Matters arising from the minutes.
 - a) P.C.S.O. Liann Astley – It was discussed and decided that the Clerk get in touch with Liann Astley to see if she can attend the June meeting as the May meeting is the Councils' Annual General Meeting.
 - b) Eisteddfod – There was no response to the notice placed by the Council in the Manafon Messenger. The Council discussed the ways in which they could try and raise the £1,000 which the Council had been asked to raise. One suggestion was to have a prize draw and ask local businesses if they would donate a prize. Before a decision is made the Council would have to find out about a betting and gaming license and cost of printing etc.
 - c) War Memorial – The Clerk reported that she had heard back from Mr Hughes from Welshpool who will visit the War Memorial, Cllrs. R Benyon and J. S. Davies will meet him there to explain what is needed for the estimate. The Clerk will try to get another stone mason to give an estimate.
- 6) Correspondence.
 - a) A letter was received from Powys County Council regarding a planning application for the installation of a 50 KW micro generation wind turbine with control box, installation of an under ground and over ground electricity cable and construction of a temporary access track at land west of Wylt at Cefn Coch. It was decided that we make no comment on this as it is not in our parish.
 - b) A letter was received regarding the application by Vattenfall Wind Power Ltd for an order granting development consent for the Mynydd Lluest y Graig Wind Farm. Scoping consultation and notification of the applicants contact details and duty to make available information to the applicant if requested. It was proposed by Cllr. R. Benyon, seconded by Cllr. E. A. Lewis and agreed by all that we make no comment at this stage but may wish to be involved in the future.
 - c) A letter was received from Mrs. Chris Lewis, Secretary of New Mills Village Hall on behalf of the Hall committee thanking the Council for the £400 revenue grant.
 - d) Russell George – Copies of Russell's surgery times were received, these had been placed on the notice boards by the Clerk.
- 7) Highways – The following highway matters were discussed..
 - a) Road signs in New Mills – some of the signs on the side of the road are facing the wrong way, the Clerk to get in touch with Chris Lloyd to see if they can be turned around to face the right way.
 - b) New Mills bridge – this was discussed again, none of the improvements that have been promised by Powys County Council have been carried out. The Clerk to contact Chris Lloyd and ask if the 30 mile an hour speed limit sign could be moved so that the bridge

is in the 30 mile an hour speed limit zone.

- 8) Manafon Charities – The Trustees of the Charity are Cllrs R. Benyon, J. S. Davies and the Vicar of Manafon, the Reverend David Dunn. As the Vicar has changed a new mandate has to be signed. Cllr. R. Benyon has obtained a mandate and will arrange a meeting to get the mandate signed.
- 9) Financial risk assessment – This was examined by the Council. It was proposed by Cllr. J. Hall, seconded by Cllr. E. A. Lewis and agreed by all that no changes need to be made.
- 10) Investment strategy – This was examined by the Council and the changes were agreed by all.
- 11) Report on meetings attended – There were none.
- 12) Payment of accounts – There were none.
- 13) Agenda items for next meeting – Manafon Charities and War Memorial to be added to the next agenda.
- 14) Date of next meeting – The next meeting of the Council will be held on Wednesday the 7th of May which will be the Council's Annual General Meeting. This will be followed by a meeting on the 4th of June.

As there were no other business to discuss the Chairman thanked everyone for attending and the meeting closed at 9.40 pm.