

Minutes of a meeting of the Manafon Community Council held on Wednesday the 5th of March 2014 March at 7.30pm.at New Mills Village Hall.

- 1) Present – Cllr. R. Benyon Chairman, Cllrs. C. Davies, J.S.Davies, E. A. Lewis, H. Lewis, T. Jerman and Clerk Mrs. Rosemary Davies.
- 2) Apologies for absence – Apologies for absence – Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. J. Hall and County Cllr.Mrs. Joy Shearer.
- 3) Declaration of Interest – There were none.
- 4) Minutes of the last meeting – It was proposed by Cllr. T. Jerman, seconded by Cllr. C. Davies and agreed by all to approve the minutes of a meeting held on the 9th of January 2014. They were then signed by the Chairman.
- 5) Matters arising from the minutes.
 - a) Circular route – Apart from one outstanding finger post, works have been completed on the Manafon trail. The walk will now be advertised on the 'Leaping stiles' web site.
 - b) Buckingham Palace invitation – As the Chairman was unable to attend the form was passed to the vice-chair to complete and return.
- 6) Correspondence.
 - a) Planning application – Planning consent was given to Mr Ross Cameron, Ceunant. This was for alterations and extension to an existing dwelling, erection of a domestic outbuilding and change of use of agricultural land to provide additional domestic curtilage.
 - b) Powys County Council - A register of electors request form was received. The Clerk to fill in and return.
 - c) Community Health Council – A notice was received from PAVO advertising a vacancy for a voluntary position on the Community Health Council.
 - d) Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) - An email was received from PCSO Liann Astley offering to attend a Council meeting to discuss any concerns and issues the Council may have. It was agreed that the Clerk contact Liann to arrange a convenient time for her to attend a meeting.
 - e) One Voice Wales – A membership renewal form was received, It was proposed by Cllr. R. Benyon, seconded by Cllr. J. S. Davies and agreed by all to renew membership which is £40.00.
 - f) Society of Local Council Clerks (SLCC) - A membership renewal form was received. It was proposed by Cllr. T. Jerman, seconded by Cllr. H. Lewis and agreed by all to renew membership which is £ 64.00.
- 7) Highways – Cllr C. Davies reported that he had contacted Mr. Alan Davies from the highways department regarding a serious pot hole on the road by Ty Mawr. Mr. Alan Davies filled the pothole that afternoon. Cllr. C. Davies thought he should be thanked for such a prompt response.
- 8) Eisteddfod – Following the notice that had been put into the Manafon Messenger inviting members from the community to make suggestions or indicate they wish to be involved in fund raising activities, no responses were received. One idea discussed was to have a prize draw in order to help raise the funds required. This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

- 9) War Memorial – The Clerk was instructed to follow up the enquiry to the Stone Masons to try and arrange a site meeting in order to obtain quotes for the work required.
- 10) National Grid Connection – There was no additional information to report.
- 11) Report on meetings attended – Cllrs C. Davies and R. Benyon had met with one of the owners of the Gwernydd Caravan Park to discuss road safety with regard to people, especially children crossing the road to the caravan park on the other side of the road as a number of concerns had been raised to the Council. These concerns were pointed out to the owners of the park. The building of the wall together with the closure of an existing path make more people walk on the road where viability is restricted. The Council feel it is important to make this crossing as safe as possible.
- 12) Payment of accounts – It was proposed by Cllr. R. Benyon, seconded by Cllr. T. Jerman and agreed by all to pay the following accounts
 - a) Final payment of the Clerks salary £507.00
 - b) Clerks expenses £67.28
 - c) Society of Local Council Clerks membership £64.00
 - d) One Voice Wales membership £40.00
 - e) Hire of New Mills Village Hall for meetings £142.00, plus one additional meeting £12.00.
- 13) Agenda items for next meeting – Manafon Charities to be added to the next agenda.
- 14) Date of next meeting – The next meeting of the Council will be held on Wednesday the second of April. The Annual General meeting will be held on Wednesday the seventh of May.

As there was no other business to discuss the Chairman thanked everyone for attending and the meeting closed at 9.30 pm.