PAINSCASTLE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES of the MEETING of PAINSCASTLE COMMUNITY COUNCIL 14th December 2015

The Chairman, Cllr Mr R Ball, opened the meeting and the following were present: Cllrs Mr PJ Lewis, Mr M Graham, Mr DA Nicholls, Mr GD Jones, Mrs T Davies, Mr R Tyler, Mrs J Smith and Powys C Cllr Mr J Gibson-Watt.

There were no apologies.

As there were no other objections to the minutes of the meeting held on 21st September 2015 these were signed by the Chairman.

PLANNING: a. Planning Consultations, all plans in future would be sent to the Clerk via e-mail as of 1st January 2016. This could cause problems with presenting them to the Council meetings. The Clerk to clarify if they can be printed off on A4 paper or would the Council need to buy a projector to show plans at the meetings.

FINANCE: a. Accounts (i) Current a/c £1,862.76

- b. External Auditor, this has been changed from BDO LLP to Grant Thornton.
- c. Precept, it was agreed that this would stay at £1700, one of the lowest in Powys.
- d. Hire of Hall for meetings, an invoice for £35 was due for payment, this was approved.
- HIGHWAYS: a. Road repairs, the main problem in the area is the road from Rhosgoch Chapel to Hondon farm.

 No work seems to be done on this length of road even though it has been reported to highways and Boughrood depot on many occasions.
 - b. Councillor Mr R Tyler ask the Council for its support for local residents asking for a cattle grid to be installed on the 1447 where it joins Llanbedr Hill. This was fully supported by the Council and a letter to be forwarded to the highways department showing the Councils support.
- REPORTS: a. County Councillors report, Cllr James Gibson-Watt gave an update on the proposed changes to Gwernyfed High School, all options were now back on the table after the creation of a new "learning campus" in Brecon has been set aside. A meeting on 16th December at Gwernyfed will discuss all the options again, Chairman Mr Richard ball would attend.

 Funding has been secured to create 4 new-build and 1 fully remodelled primary school in the Gwernyfed catchment area. A sight-line survey has been carried out on the B4351 Clyro to Hay road due to concerns over road saftey.
- CORRESPONDENCE: a. Community health council are looking for volunteers to act as the eyes and ears of patients and put forward their concerns.
 - b. The first three weekly waste collections would start next week and the public were urged to recycle as much as possible.
 - c. Proposals for a new "Future Map of Local Government of Wales" is open for consultation.

APPEALS: Wales Air Ambulance, Bobath and British Red Cross were noted but we were unable to support them financially at this time.