## PAINSCASTLE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## MINUTES of the MEETING of PAINSCASTLE COMMUNITY COUNCIL 16th January 2017

The Chairman, Cllr Mr PJ Lewis, opened the meeting and the following were present: Cllrs Mrs J Smith, Mr GD Jones, Mr M Graham and Mrs T Davies.

Apologies were received from Cllr Mr DA Nicholls, Mr R Ball, Mr R Tyler and Powys C Cllr Mr J Gibson-Watt.

As there were no objections to the minutes of the meeting held on 14th November 2016 these were signed by the Chairman.

PLANNING: a. P/2016/1040 Demolition of redundant building and erection of agricultural building at Penllan, Painscastle. This had been passed by planning.

## FINANCE: a. Accounts (i) Current a/c £2,550.91

- b. Precept, this was discussed at length as this year there will be extra costs to the Council due to the May 4<sup>th</sup> elections. The possible cost for the election could be over £1,000.00 and the Community Council need to allow for this cost through the precept. The Councillors felt that as they had enough money in the account to cover any extra election costs then they would leave the precept at £1700.
- c. Budget, part of the external auditors report for the year 2015-16 was concerned that the Community Council did not have a budget in place at the start of the financial year. Therefore the Council fully discussed the financial needs for the coming year. The total running costs incurred by the Council the previous year was £1,500.00, as discussed in the previous minute there would be extras costs this year. It was decided to keep the precept at £1,700.00 as this would cover the normal running costs of the Council and leave a small surplus. This would mean an overall surplus of £2,700 to take forward which would easily cover the costs of a possible election.
- HIGHWAYS: a. The road near the Pant was again in need of repair, Boughrood depot to be notified again.
  - b. The road above Rhydspence was still in need of repair, the Clerk to notify Boughrood and clarify whose responsibility it was to maintain the road.

**REPORTS:** a.

- CORRESPONDENCE: a. LDP, wind and solar proposals, the date for the LDP Draft Hearings will start on 28<sup>th</sup> March at the Media Resource Centre with the session regarding the Renewable Energy starting on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May.
  - b. Independent Remuneration panel, this document was discussed but no further action taken.

APPEALS: a.

Signed by the Chairman Cllr Mr P. Lewis 20/3/2017