

PAINSCASTLE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES of the MEETING of PAINSCASTLE COMMUNITY COUNCIL 21st September 2015

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

Apologies were received from Cllr Mr R Ball and Mrs T Davies.

As there were no other objections to the minutes of the meeting held on 6th July 2015 these were signed by the Chairman.

PLANNING: a. Rhosgoch Primary School P/2015/0521, application to demolish existing school and erect 18 dwellings (5 of which are affordable) and a community shop, along with new pedestrian and vehicular access and installation of a package treatment plant. This application had been withdrawn.

FINANCE: a. Accounts (i) Current a/c £1,958.76
b. Audit, this has been completed and returned by the external auditor with no problems.
c. External Auditors fee of £96 was due and payment was approved.

HIGHWAYS: a. Areas with problems included Hondon road, the culvert near Rhosgoch and the hole in the road between Painscastle and Clyro have been discussed with Boughrood Depot and some had been repaired.

REPORTS: a. County Councillors report, Mr James Gibson-Watt was congratulated on being elected as the new County Councillor for the Glasbury area. He thanked the councillors and hoped to be able to attend the Painscastle Community Council meetings and take forward any problems in the area. He then gave a short report on the threat to close Gwernyfed School and join it with Brecon and build a new school near Brecon. Seven potential options had been put forward at a recent meeting but more information as to where pupils would have to travel to school and a full community impact assessment should be carried before any decisions are taken.

CORRESPONDENCE: a. Support your Local High Street campaign, the aim is to encourage more people to use their local high street shops. This would run from the 19th to 26th September.
b. Council electoral changes, it has been proposed to reduce the number of Councillors in Wales from 73 to 64. This would mean that each councillor would have an area with about 4000 electors. Powys is not included in these proposals.

APPEALS: a. Hay Dial-a-Ride, This was to be supported with £100 and if possible a member of the team running the service would be asked to give the Councillors a brief rundown of the service.

At the end of the meeting PCSO Emma Jackson, who has recently moved to Hay station, introduced herself to the Councillors and gave her views on what she hopes to be able to bring to the area. The Councillors were able to put forward their concerns to her and wished her success in the coming years.

Signed by the Chairman Cllr R. Ball 14/12/2015