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**The following are the minutes of an Ordinary Meeting held on Thursday 4th April 2024 at 7pm at
Tretower Village Hall**

Attendance: Cllr J Williams, Cllr S Clay, Cllr D Meyers, Cllr H Jackson, Cllr W Forster, Cllr P Silk | County Councillor S Cox,
County Councillor C Masefield | Clerk Kay Bailey

Public Participation: None

01/24	Apologies for absence: Cllr M Pearse, Cllr L Dogget, Cllr J Jones The Council would like to send their sincere condolences to Cllr L Dogget and her family
02/24	Members' declarations of Interest: None
03/24	<p>Minutes to approve from meeting of the 7th March 2024 and any matters arising: Proposed: Cllr P Silk Seconded: Cllr S Clay Resolved: that the minutes are a true and accurate record Cllr S Clay requested changes in relation to the use of initials for Councillors and County Councillors so that the minutes are clearer. Item 71 should be changed from Tretower to Bwlch.</p> <p>Matters arising: 06/23 - Storage still being considered, the Clerk is currently auditing the paperwork (KB) - noted 13/23 - The officer at Powys is speaking to Housing Services in relation to a sub-lease (Powys) - The Clerk has emailed the officer directly. The clerk confirmed that the officer had responded and that a copy of the lease had been received. She had emailed this to Cllr M Pearse for his appraisal. 42/23 - The Clerk has emailed Crickhowell and Llangattock about the printing - Llangattock Community Council has responded 51/23 - "Electronic notice board" - an informal meeting is being arranged with the IT professional. Cllr J Williams and the Clerk have reviewed the toolkit and will be moving forwards on the items pertaining to the website for compliance (KB/JW). The clerk confirmed that Stefan had responded with availability on the days he is not working, Fridays were offered 67/23 - The Clerk has sent the response to the BBNPA in relation to the comments made relating to the Electrical Point at Tretower Council and 23/22310/FUL - noted</p>
04/24	<p>Standing Item: County Councillors Report (for information only) - County Councillors S Cox and C Masefield were present and a report had been received with the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Funding for the Arts ● Tŷ Brycheiniog Multi-Agency Hub ● Digital upgrade of telephone landlines, Powys-wide – drop in information sessions ● Business Rates Relief Scheme 2024/25 ● Severn Wye Energy Advocate South Powys ● Sustainable Powys and Better Together

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Council Budget Setting - Unclassified Roads Update ● Powys County Council Cabinet Meetings ● Powys County Council – Full Council Meeting – 7th March <p>County Councillor C Masefield introduced herself formally and updated what Committees she was on and informed the Council that she is holding surgeries last Saturdays of the month in Crickhowell Library.</p> <p>Cllrs J Williams and W Forster would like to request an item for the Brecon Waste/Recycling Centre for the May meeting to discuss waste issues further.</p> <p>The matter of unclassified roads was also discussed with County Councillor S Cox stating that the suggestion made by Powys Officers in relation to no longer maintaining these roads would not be widely supported in Cabinet and she did not expect it to pass.</p> <p>County Councillor S Cox wanted the Sustainable Powys conversation to continue and to expand the engagement.</p>																												
05/24	<p>Standing item: Vedw Wood Charity (Clerk)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Clerk is researching the paperwork received and current knowledge ● A full report will be given once this has been collated ● PAVO has given their response to the paperwork provided and requested that the Clerk ask the Charity Commission for the schedule that was used to create the Charity. The Commission has confirmed that they do not hold one. ● The Clerk has now been set up as an online administrator for the Charity, and now needs to be set up as a Super Admin to change trustees. ● The Clerk has submitted the outstanding returns. ● The Charity has held their first meeting and minutes have been produced. <p>The above was noted.</p>																												
06/24	<p>Standing Item: Planning applications:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 22/21388/FUL - Wern Farm, Cwmdru, Brecon NP8 1RT - GRANTED - noted 2. Nant Helyg 23/21721/FUL - Cwmdru and District Community Council correspondence (Stage 2 Complaint) - a meeting with the BBNPA has been arranged for the 19th April 24. <p>Councillor requested that the Clerk request this meeting be face to face.</p>																												
07/24	<p>Standing Item: Finance Report (Responsible Finance Officer):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Motion: Reconciliation to 29th February to be accepted by full council - delayed due to bank account statement - noted ● Motion: Payments to be noted and approved for Feb/March: these payments were noted <table border="1" data-bbox="193 1514 1401 1812"> <thead> <tr> <th>Date</th> <th>Type</th> <th>Name</th> <th>Budget</th> <th>Nett</th> <th>Vat</th> <th>Gross</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>28/03/2024</td> <td>cheque</td> <td>K Bailey</td> <td>Salary</td> <td>486.80</td> <td>0</td> <td>486.60</td> </tr> <tr> <td>28/03/2024</td> <td>cheque</td> <td>HMRC</td> <td>PAYE</td> <td>121.80</td> <td>0</td> <td>121.80</td> </tr> <tr> <td>28/03/2024</td> <td>cheque</td> <td>Bwlch Village Hall</td> <td></td> <td>150.00</td> <td>0</td> <td>150.00</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Membership of One Voice Wales 1st April £201 <p>The Council requested to maintain their membership with One Voice Wales</p>	Date	Type	Name	Budget	Nett	Vat	Gross	28/03/2024	cheque	K Bailey	Salary	486.80	0	486.60	28/03/2024	cheque	HMRC	PAYE	121.80	0	121.80	28/03/2024	cheque	Bwlch Village Hall		150.00	0	150.00
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Audit notice for 23-24 has been received - Noted <p>Motion: to discuss the application for Funds from Living with Dementia - £50.00 Proposed: Cllr S Clay Seconded: Cllr D Meyer Resolved: for the Clerk to make a donation of £50 to living with dementia.</p> <p>Please refer to the RFOs report for more information. Noted The Clerk confirmed that the Natwest online application has been signed off, she is now awaiting correspondence for her username and passcode machine.</p> <p>There was a conversation about the Council's risk mitigation in relation to online payments and having timely access to check any payments made. Signatories have online access to the bank account statement, the Council also reconciles the bank account monthly, and the designated Councillor does a quarterly reconciliation. Once the Natwest process is known, the Council will discuss further and seek to reduce any risks inherent in the process.</p>
08/24	<p>Standing Item: Governance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One Voice Wales - governance toolkit - Clerk & Cllr J Williams • Insurance - the Clerk has contacted Zurich to update the contact details and to request policy coverage and the asset list held. Email has been received with the current insured list.
09/24	<p>Standing Item: Maintenance</p> <p>Motion: to accept the quotation for the maintenance to the broken wall. The Clerk confirmed that she had not received the quotation yet.</p> <p>Motion: to vote on the quotes to insure the War Memorial (11/23)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This will be moved if the quote has not been received in time - moved
10/24	<p>Standing Item: Speeding & other Village Matters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speedwatch & Speeding through the three villages <p>Cllr S Clay stated that she has not gathered the three volunteers needed to access the training at this stage. County Councillor S Cox requested to liaise with Cllr S Clay on the matter to see if they can progress this further by potentially merging her group of volunteers with Cllr Clay's.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fly Tipping outside of Tretower on the A479 (Cllr D Meyers) <p>Cllr D Meyers told the Council that he had been litter picking recently and had noted that a layby on the A479 seems to be a problem spot for litter and other behaviour, he asked the Council if they knew why this layby was required given that it was near to another layby. He suggested that taking this layby away would relieve the issues with litter in this area. The County Councillor will</p> <p>Cllr S Clay spoke about a verge in the area which has been obstructed, the Council requested the Clerk send a map of the location to the highways department via the County Councillor C Masefield</p>
11/24	<p>Correspondence - Councillors are notified of email from external bodies, some are listed below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 23rd March email - Llandrindod Wells Town Council - Wind Turbines <p>The Council were not aware of any proposals for their area, if there were they would expect there to be a full consultation and meaningful guidelines to be followed. The Council noted the letter but did</p>

	<p>not wish to take any further action at this stage as they did not feel they could support a referendum approach.</p> <p>Outside body reports: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Hinterland Group: not met since the previous meeting ● Five Councils: not met since the previous meeting <p>Update: The potential community use of Bwlch Church (Cllr J Williams)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Update on the project from Cllr J Williams - they are awaiting the trustees decision.
<p>12 /24</p>	<p>Date of next committee meeting to be the Annual Meeting on the 2nd May 2024 in Blwch with the Ordinary Meeting on the 16th May 2024 also in Bwlch - Noted</p> <p>County Councillor confirmed that the CEO of Powys is willing to meet the Council and communities if anyone would like that</p> <p>Cllr W Forster confirmed that the blossom day on the 16th May is still going ahead at the Paramor Orchard</p> <p>The Clerk reminded the Council that the Community Bus meeting is on the 20th April in Cwmdu.</p>

Meeting closed 20:16 pm