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The following are the minutes of an Ordinary Community Council meeting, held on Thursday 3rd October 2024 7pm at Tretower Village Hall.

**Attendance:** Cllr J Williams, Cllr W Forster, Cllr M Pearce, Cllr P Silk, Cllr J Jones, Cllr H Jackson, Cllr S Clay, Cllr M Calvin

68/24	<p><b>Apologies for absence accepted:</b> Cllr Les Doggett</p> <p><b>Also not at the meeting:</b> Cllr Siam Cox, Kay Bailey (Clerk)</p>
69/24	<p><b>Members' declarations of Interest:</b> None</p>
70/24	<p><b>Minutes to approve from the ordinary meeting of the 5th September 2024 and any matters arising.</b></p> <p><b>Proposed:</b> Cllr Selena Clay <b>Seconded:</b> Cllr Hank Jackson. <b>Resolved:</b> That the minutes were a true and accurate record</p> <p><b>Matters arising not on the agenda</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>One Voice Wales advice on complaints between public bodies, awaiting a response (Clerk) - noted</li></ul>
71/24	<p><b>Standing Item: Governance</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Short initial discussion re 5 yr vision. Agreed to form an informal sub committee to prepare (17/10/24 - WF to arrange) eg surveying residents, SWOT analysis, bring ideas.</li><li>Progress on social media and website held due to Clerk absence</li></ul> <p><b>One Voice Wales</b> - governance toolkit - Clerk &amp; Cllr J Williams</p> <p><b>Item:</b> to receive a report for the Five Year Vision (Cllr J Williams)</p> <p>Short initial discussion re 5 yr vision. Agreed to form a Task and Finish Group to prepare (17/10/24 - Cllr W Forster to arrange) eg surveying residents, SWOT analysis, bring ideas.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Training Matrix - these forms were given to Councillors, please return to the Clerk once completed. Some training matrices returned. Councillors reminded</li><li>Reports Social Media and Website - informal meeting on 16th September</li><li>HR Committee - the HR Committee is gathering documentation</li></ul> <p><b>Casual Vacancy Notice and Co-option</b> These notices are now on the noticeboards.</p>
72/24	<p><b>Standing Item: County Councillors Report (for information only)</b></p>

	<p>Cllr Chloe Masefield answered questions. Cllr John Jones was concerned about card collection changes, and the PCC cabinet making the decision. Could CDCC arrange a collection? Letter to be sent from Council.</p>
<b>73/24</b>	<p><b>Item:</b> to receive a report in relation to the recreation ground, history, current use and potential future use</p> <p>The reports from the Clerk and Cllr W Forster were shared with Councillors.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> to investigate and change the current contract with Powys County Council to allow for sub-contracting the recreation ground (map attached) to Cwmdu Campsite to allow for development and greater use (dependent on agreement from Powys).</p> <p>No movement.</p> <p>Further discussion/decision to be deferred to the next meeting.</p>
<b>74/24</b>	<p><b>Standing item: Vedw Wood Charity (Clerk)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clerk and Chair to visit the site to facilitate a new risk assessment</li> </ul>
<b>75/24</b>	<p><b>Standing Item: Planning applications</b></p> <p><b>Issues:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nant Helyg and BBNPA letter - update on the response from the Ombudsman complaint and the FOI request to the BBNPA - this will be brought forward to the next meeting, when further information has been received</li> <li>• Tretower Court and Castle, Tretower - electric point installation. Cllr S Clay gave an update regarding the letter.</li> </ul> <p><b>Current:</b></p> <p><b>24/23218/LBC: Proposal:</b> "Installation of Flood Protection to all areas on ingress/egress in line with JBAs Flood Risk Report recommendations, as part of Powys County Council Flood Alleviation Scheme. This will alter the property by installing demountable flood barriers to each doorway and window below the 600H flood threshold. Barrier side posts would be fixed to external walls at doorways, the boards only in place when in use. Cover plates would be provided to cover the side posts when not in use."</p> <p><b>Address:</b> Heoldraw Farm House , Tretower, Crickhowell NP8 1R</p> <p>No comment</p>

76/24	<p><b>Standing Item: Finance Report (Responsible Finance Officer):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>Motion:</b> Reconciliation to be accepted by full council</li><li>● <b>Motion:</b> To note payments already made and payments due in Sep/Oct:</li></ul> <p><b>Proposed:</b> Cllr S Clay <b>Seconded:</b> Cllr M Pearce</p> <p>Cheques that were completed September</p> <table><tr><th>Date</th><th>Number</th><th>Name</th><th>Budget</th><th>Nett</th><th>Vat</th><th>Gross</th></tr><tr><td>13/09/2024</td><td>001121</td><td>Scribe Accounting</td><td>Services &amp; Subs</td><td>408.00</td><td>81.60</td><td>489.60</td></tr><tr><td>28/09/2024</td><td>001122</td><td>HMRC</td><td>PAYE</td><td>121.80</td><td>0</td><td>121.80</td></tr><tr><td>28/09/2024</td><td>001123</td><td>K Bailey</td><td>Salary</td><td>486.80</td><td>0</td><td>486.80</td></tr><tr><td>03/10/2024</td><td>001124</td><td>K Bailey</td><td>ICO 23/24 fee</td><td>40.00</td><td>0</td><td>40.00</td></tr></table> <p><b>Invoices/up-coming payments:</b></p> <table><tr><th>Date</th><th>Type</th><th>Name</th><th>Budget</th><th>Nett</th><th>Vat</th><th>Gross</th></tr><tr><td>28/10/2024</td><td></td><td>K Bailey</td><td>Salary</td><td>486.80</td><td>0</td><td>486.60</td></tr><tr><td>28/10/2024</td><td></td><td>HMRC</td><td>PAYE</td><td>121.80</td><td>0</td><td>121.80</td></tr></table> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Online bank access/banking matters (JW/RFO) - report attached To be brought forward to the next meeting.</li><li>● 7th November meeting at Bwlch VH - precept will be discussed at the next Full meeting.</li></ul>	Date	Number	Name	Budget	Nett	Vat	Gross	13/09/2024	001121	Scribe Accounting	Services & Subs	408.00	81.60	489.60	28/09/2024	001122	HMRC	PAYE	121.80	0	121.80	28/09/2024	001123	K Bailey	Salary	486.80	0	486.80	03/10/2024	001124	K Bailey	ICO 23/24 fee	40.00	0	40.00	Date	Type	Name	Budget	Nett	Vat	Gross	28/10/2024		K Bailey	Salary	486.80	0	486.60	28/10/2024		HMRC	PAYE	121.80	0	121.80
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77/24	<p><b>Standing Item: Maintenance</b></p> <p><b>Wall Maintenance:</b> contractor has been engaged. This was noted by Councillors.</p> <p><b>War Memorial cleaning:</b> The Clerk was not in attendance due to unforeseen circumstances so research on further subcontractors was not available for the meeting.</p>																																																								
78/24	<p><b>Standing Item: Speeding &amp; other Village Matters</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● U0503 verge Cwmdy - Powys Highways bollards (update) - the bollards are on hold</li><li>● Speed gun/speedwatch update</li></ul> <p>Cllr Mark Calvin stated that a similar speed gun from a different group could be used, however it required new batteries. Councillor’s discussed this item and it was <b>proposed:</b> Cllr S Clay <b>seconded:</b> Cllr M Pearce to purchase the batteries. It was also confirmed that PCSO L Garrett also has a</p>																																																								

	<p>speed-gun. The Council suggested that buying via sites like Amazon needs to be reviewed as they do not produce invoices.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Greenman - update on letter from the Community Council and further correspondence from County Councillor Chloe Masefield. A draft letter was shared by Cllr J Williams, it was <b>proposed:</b> Cllr J Williams <b>seconded:</b> Cllr J Jones to send the letter as proposed.</li> </ul>
79/24	<p><b>Correspondence:</b></p> <p><b>Email:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>20/09/24 LGV Black Mountains Energy - Cllr M Calvin will be the representative for this Council</li> <li>23/09/24 Powys - request for assistance with bus timetable cases - no comment (reminder of Bus Group representative request from County Councillor C Masefield) - Cllr Chloe Masefield gave an update to the Council.</li> </ul> <p>Other emails circulated throughout the month</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Letter:</b> Cwmdu Eisteddfod 23rd September 24 invitation, programme and request for financial support</li> </ul> <p><b>Proposed:</b> Cllr H Jackson <b>Seconded:</b> Cllr M Calvin <b>Resolved:</b> for a grant of £250.00 to be given to Cwmdu Eisteddfod</p> <p><b>Outside body reports:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Hinterland Group</b> - no update</li> <li><b>Five Councils</b> - no update</li> </ul> <p><b>Update:</b> The potential community use of Bwlch Church (Cllr J Williams) - no further update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10th Nov - JW to represent CDCC at Crickhowell Remembrance</li> <li>11th Nov - HJ/JW Bwlch Remembrance</li> <li>PCC Climate Change conference is on the 10th October 24</li> </ul>
80/24	<b>Date of next committee meeting to be 7th November 2024</b>

Meeting closed 8:28pm