

TREFNANT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 19TH SEPTEMBER 2018 IN TREFNANT BOWLING CLUB (Min. Ref. 09/18)

Present

Mr. W. Kirkby (Chairman), Mr. R. Collins, Mr. W. Moran, Mr. S. Evans, Mrs. A. Maguire, Mr. R. Salvador, Mr. P. Hughes.

1. Apologies for Absence

09/18/01 Mr. A. Griffith, Mrs. S. Jones, Mr. M. Davies.

2. Declarations of Interest

None.

3. Minutes of last meeting

09/18/02 It was proposed by Mr. Hughes and seconded by Mr. Moran that the minutes of the last meeting held on 18th July 2018 be accepted as a correct record.

09/18/03 It was agreed by those Members who had been present that the minutes of the Planning Meeting held on 8th August 2018 be accepted as a correct record.

4. Matters Arising

09/18/04 Cartrefi Cymunedol Gwynedd (07/18/03)

The event was held in the Bowling Club. It was noted that the Bowling Club had been promised a donation for the use of the Clubhouse but this had not been received to date. Action: The Clerk was asked to contact Mr. Parry to see if he could chase up the matter.

09/18/05 Visit to Llannerch Treatment Works (07/18/08)

Those Members who had attended stated that it had been a very interesting visit.

09/18/06 Llannerch Bridge (07/18/16)

Mr. B. Wilcox-Jones the Senior Engineer Road safety and Sus Transportation has responded. He stated “given that there has only been one recorded injury collision on the bridge in the past 5 years we would not advocate making a change as invariably a change to the highway layout could lead to additional collisions occurring whilst road users get used to the change. I would also be unsure as to whether the pronounced crown on the bridge would prevent a priority system from working as there would not be adequate forward visibility from both directions. Although this would require more investigation”.

09/18/07 Denbighshire Refuse Collection proposals (07/18/08)

A response has been received stating the following:

- The proposals allow for the issue of larger black bins.
- The County Council believes smells are controllable.
- It remains to be seen whether there will be an increase in fly tipping.
- Refuse collection sites do take non-recyclable waste and no householder has ever been turned away.

09/18/08 Insurance Claim (06/18/09)

On the evening of 10.9.18 the Clerk received an email from Zurich plc stating “ Following our earlier closure of this claim on the 13.6.18. the third party solicitors have responded and as such we have reopened this claim. They have notified us of a Data Protection Act Breach, please find enclosed a copy for your consideration . We will require the referred to Minutes to be removed from your website as soon as possible”.

The Clerk immediately forwarded the e mail to Members of the Community Council and the Councils Data Protection Officer (DPO) so that they were aware of the situation. The June 2018 Minutes were removed from the Council website pending further advice.

The Clerk spoke to the DPO the following day and was advised to request permission from Zurich plc to contact the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) to discuss the alleged breach. The Clerk gained permission from the insurance company and contacted the ICO. Having given all the relevant information to the ICO the officer confirmed that the naming of the claimant in the Minutes was not a Notifiable Security Breach. They agreed that it was acceptable to black out the claimants name and republish the Minutes on the Council website.

The Clerk informed Zurich plc of the ICO’s decision that there was no Notifiable Security Breach and that it was acceptable to publish the Minutes with the claimants name backed out.

5. Correspondence received

09/18/09 During the summer break the Clerk had been informed that the visibility fence at Pen Cae Ddu crossroads, that was damaged in an accident, has not yet been repaired. The grazier is unable to put his livestock in the field until the repair is carried out. Action: The Clerk had e mailed the

County Council asking that the fence be repaired as soon as possible.

09/18/10 Denbighshire CC – Commuted Sums

The funding round for the Open Spaces Commuted Sums will soon be open. Trefnant is one of the areas for which a limited amount of funding is available for Community recreational open spaces.

A recent Denbighshire Open Space Assessment (Min 06/18/12) has stated that Trefnant was deficient in all types of open space according to the FIT standards.

It was agreed that this funding would be a good opportunity to improve the facilities in Trefnant. As Trefnant Village Hall Committee manages the playing field it was agreed to pass a copy of the information to them for discussion at their meeting later this week to see what proposals could be put forward to bid for the funding.

09/18/11 Independent Review Panel on Community & Town Councils in Wales

Some of the outline findings and recommendations noted in the document would have quite an impact on the administration of the Council.

09/18/12 Review of the electoral arrangements for the County of Denbighshire

The Draft proposals do not advocate any change for Trefnant.

09/18/13 All other correspondence was reviewed and filed without comment.

6. Planning Matters

09/18/14 Appl. 01/2018/0705

Development of 1.3ha of land by the siting of 24 accommodation lodges and associated works.

This application had been received during the summer break and Members had been informed via e mail of the proposal.

The following observations were made:

1. The Application is contrary to Denbighshire County Councils Local Development Plan.

2. A previous Application for 20 lodges in 2011 was rejected after a Public Hearing by the Welsh Government.

The Council can see no exceptional circumstances that have occurred since that date which would allow for an even bigger development to be approved.

3. The proposed site is in a rural landscape with open green spaces.

4. The area was mixed woodland. Did the applicant seek permission and carry out a wildlife survey before clearing the site?

5. Timber Lodges have a limited life span before they need replacing. There is concern that in a number of years, when they start to deteriorate, an application would be made for more permanent structures.

09/18/15 Appl 30/2018/0805

Erection of extension and alterations to dwelling at Middle Lodge, Llannerch Park. Action: No observations.

7. Finance

09/18/16 Balances

Current a/c £6,427.28

Deposit a/c £6.27

09/18/17 Income

Precept instalment £687.00

09/18/18 Payments due

Clerks salary (Sept) 100853 £218.99 S.112 LGA1972

Admin (Jul/Sept) 100854 £4.10 S.111 LGA 1972

Cennin Ltd (website) 100855 £44.38 S.111 LGA 1972

JDH Business Ltd (DPO) 100856 £240.00 S.111 LGA 1972

Eisteddfod (Donation) 100857 £250.00 S.145 LGA 1972

Trefnant Hall (Grass) 100858 £300.00 S.19(1)(b) LGA 1976

Action: Payments approved.

09/18/19 Budget /Cash Flow Statements

No unexpected costs in addition to those approved in the budget. The Data Protection fee includes £40 VAT which is recoverable. The external audit fees have not yet been received.

09/18/20 External Audit

The external audit of the 2018 Annual Return has been completed with no issues to bring to the notice of the Council. The Clerk has advertised the completion of the audit in compliance with Regulations.

8. Any Other Business

09/18/21 It was noted that planning permission for the conversion of the shop to a flat has been refused (Appl. 30/2018/0441).

09/18/22 Mr. S. Evans informed the Members that he is resigning his position as the Community Council representative on Trefnant School Governors. He will inform the Governing Body at the meeting this week. The Council assumes that the Clerk to the Governors will contact the Council if they require a new nomination.

09/18/23 Mr. Salvador stated that at a recent meeting of the Henllan Parochial Council a donation was approved to be given to the Positive Steps group in Trefnant.

9. Date of next meeting

17th October 2018 at 7.30p.m. in Trefnant Bowling Club.

Meeting closed at 8.40p.m.