

CAERSWS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 26th August 2015 at
Clatter Community Centre 7.30pm

Present; Cllrs Mrs R Davies, Mrs E Thomas, Mrs M Woosnam Mr P Breese,
Mr R Burrows, Mr N Francis, Mr L George, Mr B O'Sullivan, Mr T P Calvin Thomas
and Mr A Wallbank.

1. Apologies Cllr Mr I Astley

The Chairman welcomed Mrs Andrea Williams and Mrs Joan O'Sullivan from Caersws Recreation Association.

Mrs Williams explained the difficulties the Recreation Association were in their application to secure a lottery grant for the refurbishment of the play and recreation area in Main Street Caersws, this was mainly down to the planning application, the application is now at the second phase. The Recreation Association are also experiencing problems with the lack of members and also attending members. The ladies explained they had tried to recruit additional members but were not receiving any positive response.

It was suggested that the Community Council could work together with the recreation Association toward the play and recreation areas with the Recreation Association being a sub-committee of the Community Council.

A member suggested that enquiries were made to One Voice Wales with regard the charitable status the Recreation Association if it were to become a subcommittee of the Community Council as this was essential to keep in place for further funding. The member also suggested Planning office could be approached regarding the cost of the applications as they were expensive.

Cllr Mrs R Davies commented that the fee would be reduced as the size of the usable play area had been reduced in size.

Recreation Association Mrs Williams is acting secretary and Mrs O'Sullivan acting Chairman
Mr M Davies as Treasurer.

The meetings are held every other month, with eight regular members attending. Health and safety checks are carried out monthly at the play area Main Street and the recreation ground, but most of the equipment has now been removed from the play area. The junior football club pay a nominal field rent but neither football clubs are prepared to become more proactive.

Councillors are all willing to assist and support the Recreation Association and work toward keeping and maintaining both the play areas in Caersws.

2. Confirmation of minutes of the meeting held on 29th July 2015 were proposed and seconded by two Councillors.

3. Matters Arising

No matters were in need of discussion.

4. Correspondence

a, Community Health Council AGM Cllr Mrs R Davies to attend.

b, One Voice Wales Motions for AGM were discussed and comments were made to all motions. Items 1 to 8 members agreed to a yes comments but abstained on item 7. These comments will be emailed to One Voice Wales.

c. SARPA Agenda for SARPA & Cambrian Coast meeting Cllr Mr A Wallbank will attend if possible.

d, Dyfed Powys Police Pact Meeting Minutes from July dealing mainly with speeding in Caersws.

e,, Powys C C Consultation on refuse collection members were all opposed to the three weekly collections. Comments were it would encourage vermin refuse bins were already full after two weeks , also questions were made as to would there be any financial savings.

f, Public Health Wales Smoke free playground, questionnaire to be completed with agreement to non smoking also suggested E cigarettes are also prohibited from play areas.

g, WAG Local Boundaries Commission, clerk to enquire how the reduction of Powys Councillors is to be made.

- 5. Risk Assessment** Cllr; Mr L George. Reported the Cemetery was in good tidy order. The new hedge needs to be trimmed and the weeds to be sprayed on Yr Ynys. Cllr George suggested a notice to be put on the bin to indicate general waste.

6 Planning Applications

P2015/0744 Mrs Rachel Jones

Change of use from 1st Floor Hair dressing salon to 2 bedroom Flat (Rachel's Hair Salon) for residential use. Lymore, Station Road Caersws No objections or comments were made to this application.

- 7 Caersws Public Conveniences** A Councillor reported on the vandalism that had taken place on two Friday evenings. One had damaged the sanitary ware in the Gents which the member had repaired and replaced the damage. Secondly a glass had been smashed on the wall leaving glass on the floor. The Councillor and Huw Jones the cleaner cleared the mess. After discussion it was suggested that the W.C's are locked earlier and Cllr Burrows suggested 9.00pm. Both of these incidents have been reported to the police requesting visible presence on a week-end. Cllr Burrows suggested extra lighting to be installed around the W.C's with a PVI sensor The revenue from the W.C's was still averaging well and would enable upgrading to be considered. A member proposed installing a defibrillator on the outside wall of the W.C's, members agreed this was a suitable place and contact is to be made with St John Ambulance regarding acquiring a Defibrillator and how to finance it. this proposal was seconded by a member. A meeting is to be arranged with Healthmatic to discuss the items on the contract that have not yet been met and any other matters needing attention, an a.m. meeting is preferable.

8 Bills for Payment

Healthmatic Monthly cleaning W.C's
Powys C.C. Refuse Collection
Mrs L Yapp Baby change unit
Satch Norton Web upgrade
Overall Maintenance Ltd W,C.repairs

Payments were proposed and seconded by two members.

9 Any Other Business

Direct Debit for signatures for British Gas Electricity supply for W,C's saving 6% two members signed the Direct Debit forms for Severn Trent , Cemetery Water Supply & Public Convenience All members agreed for this way to make the payments.

A councillor suggested the clerk make enquires with the small project funding body regarding making trackside of the station tidy and renewing the Caersws sign.

Meeting closed at 9.15p.m.