



**CYNGOR TREF  
YSTRADGYNLAIS  
TOWN COUNCIL**

**Ordinary Meeting of the Council held at the Welfare Hall,  
Ystradgynlais on Thursday 5th February 2015 at 7.00p.m.**

**Present : Councillor Aneurin Davies, Chairman, Presided,**

**Councillors J D Coombe, R Curry, Canon D Roberts  
E Evans, J Steadman, D Lewis,  
L. Evans, W Thomas, M Evans,  
Mrs W Williams, Goronwy Davies  
Graham Davies, C Nickels.**

**179. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors, Mrs A Jones Jones and Mrs B Paulett.

**180. MINUTES.**

Resolved that:

a) The Minutes of the Councils meeting held on the 8th January 2015 be confirmed as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

b) the Minutes of the Extraordinary Council meeting held on the 29<sup>th</sup> January 2015 be further considered at the next Council meeting on the

5<sup>th</sup> March. Councillor Wayne Thomas to submit his proposed amendments of the Minutes to the Clerk for circulation and consideration at that meeting.

**181. SURPLUS LAND – YSTRADGYNLAIS AND CWMTWRCH WARDS.**

The Town Council received details from the Powys County Council in relation to land in the above Wards deemed to be surplus to requirements. It was the intention to place the land for sale in the near future. The Council considered and identified the land in question and **resolved** to note the position.

**182. DRAFT LEASE - YSTRADGYNLAIS WELFARE HALL**

The Town Council received correspondence from CISWO in relation to the above matter. Andrew Morse of CISWO confirmed that the suggestions he had made had been incorporated into the new lease. However the comments made did not offer any form of legal advice on the draft lease.

Resolved that CISWO be requested to give definitive legal advice on the content of the draft lease. Costs to be obtained for this service.

**183. CYCLE PATH – PATH 8 – Gough Arms.**

Correspondence dated 15 January was received from the County Council in relation to a proposal for the to move the cycle route to where the current disused railway line is which is path 8 on the definitive map. Should agreement be reached on this diversion proposal then the Powys County Council would seek funding to carry out the works.

Resolved that a site meeting be arranged between the Ynyscedwyn Ward Members and Powys County Council Officers to further consider the request.

**184. CWMTWRCH WELFARE HALL**

An e-mail was received from the secretary of the above Hall seeking funding from the Town Council towards repair work to the Hall roof , internal ceiling and flooring following damage that occurred during the recent bad weather. The application was discussed and considered by the Council.

Resolved that a grant of £3000 be awarded to the Hall for the purpose stated. The money to be obtained from the Cwmtwrch Ward budget in this financial year.

**185. JOINT ONE VOICE WALES/ SLCC EVENT.**

Notification was received about a joint OVW/SLCC event, which had been arranged on the 14<sup>th</sup> May at Llandrindod Wells. Key speakers were Leighton Andrews AM (Minister of Public Services and Rob Andrew from Cornwall County Council.

Resolved that Councillors D Lewis and J D Coombe be appointed to represent the Council at the above event.

**186. POWYS ASSOCIATION OF VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS.**

A letter dated the 15<sup>th</sup> January stating that at the Associations recent Annual meeting it had been decided to open PAVO membership to Town and Community Councils in Powys.

Resolved that the invitation be noted.

**187. LICENCE - LAND AT YSTRADGYNLAIS BUS TERMINUS**

A licence agreement was received from the Powys County Council in relation obtaining land for car parking purposes. The Town Council was asked to execute the Licence in the normal manner. An annual fee of £1.00 was payable for the Licence Agreement.

Resolved that the Chairman and Vice Chairman sign the Licence on behalf of the Town Council.

**188. PARKS GROUND MAINTENANCE CONTRACT**

An e mail was received from the CSP Environment Dept stating that the invoice for this years had recently been posted to the Town Council with a discount of £800 following the problems that had been experienced at the beginning of the cutting season. The quotation for the next financial year remained the same at £3058.

Resolved that the content of the e mail be noted and the quotation received for the next financial year be accepted.

**189. YSTALYFERA CISWO GROUP.**

Notification was received from CISWO that the above Group would be relocating to the Ystradgynlais Miners Welfare Hall with effect from 20<sup>th</sup> January. Posters had been circulated in the areas concerned to notify the public.

Resolved to note the content of the correspondence.

**190. WELSH ASSEMBLY –WHITE PAPER.  
POWER TO LOCAL PEOPLE.**

Town Council Members received a copy of the above consultation paper produced by the Welsh Assembly. Observation to be submitted by the middle of April 2015.

Resolved that Members submit comments either on the online survey or forward to the Clerk for consideration at the next Council meeting in March.

**191. GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE.**

- a) A letter dated 16 January was received from Roger Williams MP detailing the work he has undertaken to protect the Post Office and Royal Mail service in the constituency. Content noted.
- b) Letter from a resident from Welshpool regarding the lack of Health and care facilities in Powys. Content noted.

c) E Mail from Powys County Council regarding an online survey which was currently being undertaken in relation to next financial years budget and community delivery. Content noted.

**192. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS.**

Resolved that the monthly accounts as detailed be paid.

**193. RIVER TWRCH LANDSLIP**

The Town Council received an updated report from the Technical Adviser in relation to the above matter. The work to clear the river channel blockage was regarded as emergency works and it was to due to commence on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February.

Resolved that:

- a) The Town Council formally engage TRJ as its sub-contractor.
- b) A letter be sent to the owner of the George IV to confirm the intention to enter onto their land and subsequently reinstate.
- c) Powys County Council contacts the private landowner aware of the situation regarding the tree further up the river.
- d) The Tawe and Tributaries Angling Association be made aware of the works.
- e) Leaflets be produced for delivering to the nearby residential properties detailing the work that was to be undertaken on w/c 9<sup>th</sup> February 2015.

**194. POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL – PENSION FUND.  
EMPLOYERS MEETING**

The Town Council received an invitation to send representatives to the above meeting. The meeting is to be held on the 17<sup>th</sup> February at the Brecon Leisure Centre commencing at 10.00am

Resolved that the Chairman and Vice Chairman be appointed to represent the Town Council at the meeting. Also the Council nominated Cllr W Thomas for the Pension Board Membership position.

**195. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.**

The Town Council received the Technical Advisers report on the planning applications received from the Powys County Council.

Resolved that the Town Councils observations on planning applications considered be forwarded to the Powys County Council.

**Note : Cllr L Evans declared an interest in planning application P/2014/0929 and left the room.**

**196. MEMBERS AND OFFICERS REPORTS.**

a) Cllr L Evans advised of the need to place two new styles on path 109 in Upper Cwmtwrch. The landowner involved needed to be identified initially so that approval can be obtained to erect these structures. Also it was pointed out that possibly there was a temporary closure order on the path in question and needed to be checked out with the Powys county Council Rights of Way Section.

The meeting terminated at 8.40pm



**YSTRADGYNLAIS TOWN COUNCIL  
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**Planning matters considered by the Town Council on Thursday 6th February 2015**

**1.0 Applications granted consent**

*From information posted on the Powys County Council web site the following have been granted approval:*

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| P/2014/1222 | Mr M. Bayliss<br>247 Brecon Road<br>Ystradgynlais                    | Construction of detached garage with associated external and drainage works. |
| P/2014/1146 | Mr J.Owens<br>Adj Bus Shelter<br>Hendreladus Junction<br>Brecon Road | Erection of a heritage interpretation panel                                  |

**2.0 Applications refused consent**

*From information posted on the Powys County Council web site the following application has been refused consent.*

*No matter to report*

**3.0 Applications for consideration**

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| P/2014/0929 | Mrs K. Newton<br>Hazeldene<br>Gilfach Road<br>Upper Cwmtwrch | Retrospective erection of decking area |
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***Resolved: Whilst not objecting to the principle of a decking area to this property concerns were raised regarding the need to ensure that the privacy of nearby neighbours were not intruded upon.***

*Note: Cllr L. Evans declared an interest and left the room.*

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| P/2015/0007 | Mr I. Wilson<br>Noddfa<br>Long Street<br>Ynys Uchaf | Demolition of existing garage and erection of single storey extension to rear of existing bungalow. |
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***Resolved: No observation***



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P/2015/0042            Powys T Health Board            Change of use from current use as a mental  
                                 The Larches                            health facility to a single residential dwelling (C3)  
                                 165 Brecon Road  
                                 Ystradgynlais

**Resolved:    No observation**

P/2015/0057            Mrs J. Griffiths                    Outline: Erection of dormer bungalow  
                                 50 Heol Twrch  
                                 Lower Cwmtwrch

**Resolved:    Whilst not objecting to the provision of a bungalow on this site it was considered important that it should be conditional on the integrity of the highway embankment being protected as a turning area appeared to be proposed .**

P/2015/0085            Ms K.Mathias                      Demolition of garden shed. Construction of  
                                 7 Cwmtawe Road                    extension to provide ground floor shower room  
                                 Ystradgynlais                        disabled facilities adaptations.

**Resolved:    No observation**

DEM//2015/0001        Mr E. Thomas                      Application for prior notification of proposed  
                                 Penrhos Primary School            demolition.  
                                 Brecon Road  
                                 Ystradgynlais.

**Resolved:    No observation**

TREE/2015/0007        S.Butcher                            Works to trees subject to TPO's to include  
                                 Powys CC                            cutting back of branches overhanging gardens  
                                 15,16 & 17 DolyDderwen            and removal of any dead wood.  
                                 18 Richmond Park  
                                 Penrhos

**Resolved:    No observation**

#### **4.0    Miscellaneous**

P/2014/1180            Mr D .Craven                      Upgrading to central heating system to include  
                                 10 Heol Rheolau                    replacement of free standing solid fuel appliance,  
                                 Abercrave                            replacement of all existing radiators and  
                                    installation of new radiators in the bathroom and  
                                    the lounge.

**Resolved :    To note the above application has been withdrawn.**

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**BOC/2014/00393 Use of barn for storing/ repairing of cars at Ynys- Newydd, Ystradgynlais.**

It was reported that the following information had been received from Powys County Council Planning Department in relation to the above following a site visit on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2015.

- The first barn as approached from the highway was split into two. The first half contained a silver car, small stock trailer, fencing equipment (posts, netting etc) and some hand tools. The second half (accessed through a doorway) was split into four pens where two pigs were present.
- The second structure on site (located to the rear of the first) was a stable block and a horse was present on site at the time of my visit.
- The third and fourth units were individual pods (for animal shelter) within the fields. Whilst these structures were currently empty they did contain hay for storage.

Concerns had raised that the barns/sheds on site were being used for the storage/repairing of cars. Following the site visit it was confirmed that there has been no breach of planning protocol. Whilst a car was present on site there was no evidence by way of machinery or tools which would suggest that a material change of use has been carried out.

***Resolved: To note with disappointment that no action is being proposed by the Planning Department but to refer the matter to the highways department including making reference to two other road entrances on the A4067.***

**5.0 Powys County Council Local Development Plan**

It was reported that Powys County Council had advised on the latest position with regard to the preparation of the Powys Local Development (LDP). Representation received from Welsh Government had advised Powys County Council that further supporting evidence should have been available to support the LDP at the time of the deposit consultation. Without this in place, Welsh Government advised that there may be a risk that the LDP might be found unsound at examination or additional work would be required at that point. Having discussed and considered Welsh Government's comments, the Powys County Council is in the process of ensuring that the supporting evidence is available with a view to repeating the deposit consultation in mid-2015.

A revised LDP preparation timetable will be prepared in early 2015 through a revised Delivery Agreement.

It was noted that the representations received on the Deposit LDP 2014 will not automatically be carried forward when the revised Deposit Plan is published for consultation. Further guidance on this will be provided by Powys CC at the revised Deposit stage.

***Resolved : To note the position***

**J G Jones - Technical Adviser**