

MAELOR SOUTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting t on Tuesday, 2nd April 2019

at Bettisfield Chapel

Apologies: Cllr. Mrs. Sime, will be late, Cllr. J. McCusker, family commitment,
PCSO L. Edwards, other dutues.

In attendance: Cllr. Mrs. Sime, Cllr. P. Jones, Cllr. J. Blanchard, Cllr. Mrs. S Rodenhurst, Cllr. S. Hill,
Cllr. R. Bettis, Cllr. Mrs. Y. Lee-Jones, Cllr. J. Griffiths.

1. **Declarations of Interest.**

There were none.

2. **Minutes of the last meeting.**

The minutes were agreed to be a true record of the last meeting and were duly signed by the Vice Chair.

3. **Matters Arising.**

Councillors are concerned about the lack of response from Wrexham County Borough Council to any referrals made to them. It was agreed that the Clerk would write to the Chief Executive to discuss this situation.

Clerk will look into acquiring a Community Council log-in for Streetscene referrals.

There is a surgery being held by Susan Elan Jones MP and Ken Skates AM on Friday, 5th April at the Coco Rooms, Overton. Clerk will try to attend to report the situation to them and particularly to ask for their support regarding the lack of footpath on Penley Bank.

Representative on Dame Dorothy Jeffries Trust Board – Cllr. Mrs. Bettis volunteered to be the Community Council's representative.

4. **Police Report.**

The report was received by email. There were no further issues to raise.

Cllr. Mrs. Bettis suggested returning to the setting of monthly priorities for the PCSO's to focus on.

5. **County Council Matters.**

No report received.

6. **Open Forum**

No Community members attended.

7. **Update on Hanmer Surgery Patient Action Group.**

Cllr. Jones attended a meeting on April 1st to discuss the business plan, which is almost finished.

The Health Board is to cost the notional rent paid to the GP for the use of premises, but this has not been received. The Director of Betsi Cadwalader Estates is to visit the premises on April 4th.

Many letters containing inaccuracies have been received from the Health Board and these are to be reported to the Ombudsman.

8. **Streetscene**

a) Bettisfield

The holly hedge at Fairfields, Cadney Lane has been reported again. There is no room for two vehicles to pass each other and another near miss was witnessed recently.

b) Penley.

The street lights in Ellesmere Lane have been replaced and produce a brighter white light, but the light cast is no better on the footpath. It was suggested that knee or waist height post with lights might help and as these were originally in place, the electricity feed should be there.

9. Planning

a) Applications

P/2019/0212 – The Dymock Arms – development of four properties, preserving the listed part of the building.

Cllr. J. McCusker reported that the application is in its early stages. He is in touch with Philip Forster of Planning and Anna Irwin, CADW, and will keep the Community Council informed of developments.

A Community group has been set up to campaign for the return of the building to a Public House. The owner is not interested in a community buy-out.

There is an admission in the planning application that the listed part of the building should have been maintained. As this is not the case, the owner should be prosecuted. Clerk to write to CADW to ask for their comments. Also invite Philip Forster and Anna Irwin to meet with the Community Council and the Penley Action Group to make clear the facts surrounding this situation. Ask Cllr. McCusker to Chair the meeting.

P/2018/1089 - 7, Tudor Drive, Penley – A query has been raised regarding an extension at the property. This is confirmed by the Planning Department as permitted development and therefore does not need planning permission. The fence and sliding gate was applied for retrospectively and has been refused, so remedial action will have to be taken.

b) Decisions

P/2019/0060 – Fairview GRANTED

P/2019/0036 – Park Villas GRANTED

P/2019/0023 – The Old Shop, Bettisfield – GRANTED

P/2019/0206 – 2 houses on Land adjoining Madras School -GRANTED

APPEAL APP/H6955/A/18/3219039 – Land opposite Madras School. No further decision has been made.

10. Village Projects

a) Bettisfield

Play equipment has been ordered and is expected to arrive on April 15th.

Three unstable pieces of equipment are to be removed and the swings refurbished.

Cllr. Mrs. Rodenhurst to pursue funding opportunity from the Co-op in Ellesmere.

The Office Field has received its first cut. John Williams will continue to maintain the banks.

b) Penley

Street Lighting- discussed under Item 8.

Telephone kiosk – still looking for a firm to move the kiosk. Clerk to get in touch with other Community Councils who have done this.

Cllr. Mrs. Bettis spoke about new play equipment installed at Madras Out of School Club. Wooden blocks to form seats or stepping blocks were considered to be a good idea for Penley Playground.

11. Meetings attended by councillors

Cllr. Mrs. Bettis attended a Governor's meeting at Madras School.

12. Finance:**Payment of bills.**

Payee	For	Amount	Chq. No.	Proposed by	Seconded by
L. Houston	Clerk exps Printer ink	35.00	000841	JG	PJ
L. Houston	The Sigtist Playground signs	80.00	000842	JB	JG
J. Williams	Maintenance and bin bags	134.00	000843	RB	JB

Income and expenditure since the last meeting.

Date	Paid to/from	Amount	Cheque Number	Balance
Treasurer's Account 05.03.19				13,214.00
14.02.19	Morelock Signs Penley VAS	2994.00	000894	10,220.00
0.03.19	I. Houston Clerk expenses	28.04	000895	10,191.96
05.03.19	J. Williams Village Maintenance	90.00	000896	10,101.96
05.03.19	Penley Church Donation	410.00	000899	9,691.96
05.03.19	Penley Village Hall Donation	680.00	000900	9,011.96
05.03.19	Bettisfield Village Hall Donation	475.00	000901	8,536.96
05.03.19	Bettisfield Chapel Room hire	30.00	000902	8,506.96
05.03.19	Bettisfield Chapel	32.00	000903	8,474.96

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05.03.19	Church Wardens of Bettisfield Donation	275.00	000904	8,199.96
05.03.19	Nightingale House Donation	125.00	000905	8,074.96
05.03.19	Hope House Hospice Donation	125.00	000906	7,949.96
05.03.19	Wales Air Ambulance Donation	125.00	000907	7,824.96
05.03.19	Citizen's Advice Bureau Donation	125.00	000908	7,699.96
Bus. Instant Access 28.02.19				8,637.06
10.03.19	Interest	6.60		8,643.66
28.03.19				8,643.66

Total available funds: 16,337.62

Committed funds:

Bettisfield Playground 14,500.00

Penley Streetlights 1,658.00

16,378.00

BALANCE -40.38

+ April Precept 6,066.00

6,025.62

+ VAT reclaim

awaiting R. Parry bill.

MSCC Paypal account.

Clerk still to look further into this.

13. Nominations for Chairperson

The Chair requested that nominations be sent to the Clerk prior to the AGM so that councillors could make their choice even if they were unable to attend the meeting.

Co-option of new councillors for Penley and Bettisfield.

There has been some interest in Penley. Cllr. Mrs. Rodenhurst to speak to the persons concerned to encourage them.

14. Correspondence.

From	Subject	Action
Insp. Steve Owens	Change of role. New Chief Insp. For our area to be Insp. Darren Whibberley from Flintshire.	
Ken Skates and Susan Elan Jones	Surgery dates.	
Wales Air Ambulance	Acknowledgement of donations made	
Bettisfield Village Hall	"	
Penley Church	"	
Hope House Hospice	"	
Church Wardens, Bettisfield	"	

15. Any Other Business.

- Website needs to be updated
- Copy for Rainbow centre newsletter needs to be in by the beginning of May.
- The VAS for Ellesmere Lane has been received and will be installed within the next two weeks.
- An adult (21+)swimming session is available at the Maelor School pool, Tuesdays, 8-9a.m. The cost is £3per session, to be paid in 4 week blocks. Contact Pat Burns to book.

The AGM and next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 7th May, 7:30p.m. at Bettisfield Chapel.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9p.m.