

DRAFT MINUTES OF GLASBURY & DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL
BI MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 13th MAY 2015
AT 7.30 PM IN GLASBURY VILLAGE HALL

Present: Cllr Mr S. Lawrence (Chair), Cllr Mrs P. Yeomans, Cllr Mr R. Joseph, Cllr Mr B. Price, Cllr Mrs M. Morris, Cllr Mr W. Kilner, Cllr Mrs R. Veal. Cllr Mr C. Aldridge, Mrs J. Phillips (Clerk)
Mrs A. Boyle (Member of the Public)

1) **Apologies for Absence:** County Cllr Chris Davies **Absent:** Cllr Mrs S. Thomas

2) **Declarations of Interest** – None

3) **Minutes of Meeting held on 11/3/15, Planning meeting 22/4/15 and Play Area meeting 10/3/15**

All minutes were read and signed as a true and accurate record. This proposed by Cllr Price and seconded by Cllr Joseph.

4) **Matters Arising from above minutes**

Parking on the road at St Cynidrs Villas. PCC Housing department had been contacted and confirmed that the temporary parking of vehicles belonging to residents (not caravans etc), on the area owned by PCC to the left side of the houses, was acceptable.

5) **Guest:- PCSO Emma Jackson –speeding issues Glasbury**

Since the last meeting PCC and DPP had been contacted about speeding issues between Toll Gate Cottage and Glasbury Bridge. PCSO Jackson updated the CC with some observations she had recorded whilst standing on Glasbury Bridge, indicating the need for enforcement action. It appeared more data recording by PCC was required to action enforcement along with the need for the revised speed limit at Glasbury Bridge to have been in place for a year, which will be the case on 23/6/15. The CC felt the matter should be progressed further and it was agreed to request a meeting with PCC and DPP to discuss the matter. (Action Clerk)

Other matters were also discussed regarding rogue traders operating in the area and alleged anti-social behaviour at GlasyBont. PCSO Jackson was to contact PCC regarding GlasyBont issues as it is in their ownership.

6) **Update on all outstanding Highway matters**

- a) **Puddle in the car park by Glasybont toilets** – PCC had emptied the gully, but only when significant rain falls would it be established whether the matter was resolved.
- b) **White and yellow road markings refreshed outside GlasyBont toilets** – completed.
- c) **Road from Llowes Mill to its end in poor condition** - PCC had carried out some patching works, although it was questioned how satisfactory the work was. This to be checked and if necessary followed up. (Action Clerk)
- d) **Glasbury & Boughrood Bridge condition** - PCC had confirmed inspections had been done and capital funding was being sought as a result of the reports. Details had been requested but not received.

7) **Update on Love Glasbury**

It was understood that the group were to take over the operation of GlasyBont toilets from 11/5/15, although the date was constantly being delayed. It was agreed, however that as long as the lease was

signed the GCC grant funding could be paid as Love Glasbury were now incurring costs such as insurance etc. Cllr Kilner will now attend meetings of the Group when invited, on behalf of GCC.

Cllr Morris left the meeting at 8.15pm

Mrs A Boyle left the meeting at 8.20pm after being presented with flowers as a thank you for 25 years of service.

8) Planning Report and correspondence

Glasbury CC supported:-

P/2015/0350 7/4/15

Full: Conversion of chapel to a dwelling, amendment to P/2008/0156 to include a new garage and amended access (part retrospective) at Llanwhimp Chapel, Cornhill, Boughrood –

Mr & Mrs M Simmonds

P/2015/0166 7/4/15

LBC: Installation of a wood burning stove at The Threshing Barn, Station Road, Boughrood -

Mr J. Luckhurst

Applications granted by PCC:-

P/2015/0139 2/4/15

Full: Change of use of agricultural land to residential garden; alteration of existing property, demolition of dated extensions and replacement with a new two storey extension and erection of detached timber framed and timber clad garage/store at Upper House, Llowes – Mr & Mrs D. Taylor

P/2015/0208 24/4/15

Creation of new access and reduce existing access for pedestrian use only at All Saints Cottage, Cwmbach, Glasbury – Mr & Mrs Doyne

Glasbury CC requested further information:-

VAR/2014/0007 7/4/15

Additional Information Consultation VAR2014/0007 Modification/discharge of Section 106 Agreement in relation to provision of affordable housing (PR1540/03) at The Depot, Station Road, Boughrood- Mr & Mrs Mouncer

It was reported that Cllr Aldridge and the Clerk had attended a meeting with two Planning Officers and the Housing Strategy Officer for Powys County Council to better understand this planning application and discuss concerns previously raised in March 2014. It was recognised that 2 affordable homes was better than none as previously indicated, but that the compromised position and application still appeared to be based solely on viability of the site for the developer. The meeting had concluded that there was a recognised need for affordable homes in Boughrood and that PCC officers needed to discuss a number of issues with the developer to justify the application.

It was agreed for the CC to reply requesting further information and once received to reserve the right to respond further in due course before the application is determined by planning committee. (Action Clerk)

9) Annual Insurance Review

The insurance policy had been circulated. Subject to updating the asset list it was agreed to continue with the current company and pay the fee due. (Action Clerk)

10) Financial Matters

a) Bi Monthly Finance Report The finance report to date was distributed and approved. The payment of expenses and overtime to the clerk for two months was approved. Time sheets and expenses were signed by the Chair. Invoices due for payment were agreed. Thanks for grant applications were received from Glasbury Village Hall and Glasbury Arts.

b) Internal Audit Report

The appointed Internal Auditor had carried out the relevant duties at no cost to the CC. It was highlighted that the Play Area cheque book stubs had not all been countersigned and it was requested that cash received at the duck race and such events should be accompanied by a schedule of expenses with appropriate receipts and signed by two councillors. Cllr Aldridge as a member of the subcommittee for the Play Area, agreed to oversee that the requirements are met in future to comply with financial regulations. (Action Cllr Aldridge)

c) Presentation and Approval of External Audit report

The annual return had been completed by the Clerk and Internal Auditor and was tabled for approval. This was agreed and duly signed by the Chair. The Bank Reconciliation was agreed and signed by Cllr Kilner and the letter of explanation of variances had been written by the Clerk. This to be sent to the External Auditors (Action Clerk)

Cllr Price left the meeting at 8.45pm

11) Playground Report

Cllr Yeomans reported that a basketball hoop had been purchased, but other parts for it were needed. Cllr Aldridge to assist Cllr Yeomans with this matter, in order to ensure the item is correctly assembled to meet the required standards (Action Cllr Aldridge and Cllr Yeomans)

12) Boughrood issues:-a) Dog mess, b) Request for Recreation Area

This was deferred to the next meeting due to the time.

13) General correspondence received

Powys County Council

1. Members for Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales
2. Community Delivery - letter from Powys County Council
3. Easter & Bank Holiday recycling and rubbish collections
4. General dispensation – School Modernisation & School Transport Review

Welsh Government

1. Access to Information on Community And Town Councils – The way information is held on the webpage was briefly discussed and will be updated to reflect legislation. (Action Clerk)
2. Business Wales updates

One Voice Wales

1. The Review of Designated Landscapes in Wales Stage 2
2. Training events
3. Response to White Paper (Reforming Local Government: Power to Local People)
4. Positive Planning: Planning (Wales) Bill
5. White Paper Consultation Events
6. Access to Information on Community And Town Councils
7. Assets of Community Value
8. Code of Practice on Workforce Matters
9. NRW Come on Board Invitation
10. Consultations - Council Tax Exemptions for Long Term Empty Homes & Second Homes in Wales
11. Land Transaction Tax - Short Questionnaire
12. Local Government (Democracy) (Wales) Act 2013 (Commencement No. 2) Order 2015 - Coming into force

13. Motions for 2015 Annual Conference / AGM
14. Programme 2015 for Cymru'n Cofio Wales Remembers 1914-1918
15. Seminar with Julian Dobson, author of the book 'How to save our town centres
16. T&CC's Wales given new advice to help residents in fuel poverty
17. Trustee Shared Learning Seminar
18. WG News: Lest we forget: Communities urged to apply for war memorial grant
19. Clean Coast week 8-47 May 2015
20. NRW Management bulletin
21. Community Asset Transfer Links
22. Area Committee meeting 17/4/15 Erwood
23. The Voice booklet
24. Mid Wales Housing Consultation Launch – Shared Ownership with a Safety Net
25. Diary Marker – Climate change event

Other

1. BT Superfast Cymru E-Newsletter March 2015
2. OPCC Recruiting Volunteers!
3. Planning Aid Wales: Planning training, Brecon - 22nd April 2015
4. Plunkett Foundation Inspired by Wales - saving services and setting up community owned amenities in Wales
5. DPP Monthly report
6. Welsh Hearts promotional literature
7. Plantlife: The new National Plant Monitoring Scheme
8. Wales in Bloom Campaign 2015
9. DPP Neighbourhood Watch update
10. Powys Boat/Canoe Hire Working group update
11. Glasbury Arts & Gwernyfed High School
12. Gwernyfed High School updates - Proposed Closure
13. DPP VE Day celebration
14. BT Adopt a Kiosk
15. Clerks & Councils Direct booklet
16. Welsh Hearts recruiting Trustees
17. PAVO – Powys Volunteer of the Year

14) Reports from Councillors

None.

15) Date of Next Meeting- Wednesday 8th July 2015, 7.00pm at Glasbury Village Hall.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.03pm.