

## **RAGLAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Wednesday 15 December 2010 at 7:30pm in Raglan School.**

Present: Cllr S Thomas,(Chairman)

Cllrs T Phillips, Mrs S Price, Mrs H Williams, R Moorby, D Watkins, N Porter, R Watkins, A Crump and R Parry

In attendance: The Clerk

2285. Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Mrs A Vaughan.

2286. Declarations of interest would be made as necessary.

2287. The Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 24 November 2010 were received and adopted as a correct record.

2288. Matters arising.

It was agreed that the minutes should be in the same type-face as the Agenda.

Re minute 2275, it was confirmed that the Countryside Wardens would do work on the dog walk in liaison with Mr Bradley.

The Clerk had chased the Dog Waste Contractor again; he had `flu at present but would be contacting the Chairman soon to arrange to check the locations of the bins.

Cllr Phillips confirmed that the owner of Orchard Lea intended to cut back his hedge.

Re minute 2284a), Cllr R Watkins confirmed that to add a name to the War Memorial would mean fabricating an extra strip or replacing the whole name plate. After discussion he agreed to look into the cost of both options and then to approach the person who wished to have the name added. It was pointed out that the Council had been prepared to put the name on before but Mr Davies` wife had refused. Now that his daughter wanted it done after her mother had died, the cost should not necessarily fall on the Council.

2289. Planning Matters.

(Cllr Crump declared an interest and took no part in the discussion)

The following Planning Application was considered:

DC/2010/01033 Conversion of building to holiday let at Lower Penyclawdd Farm, Dingestow, Monmouth- Agreed.

An appeal by Mr Wilmot concerning Cavalry Barn, The Warrage was noted.

2290. Finance Matters.

a) The following payments were approved:

Clerk`s salary and expenses £401.92

Training course for 3 Councillors £75.00

b) several requests for donations were referred to the January Finance Committee.

2291 Highway Matters.

a) There were no letters to consider.

b) Members concerns.

It was noted that grit bins had appeared at Llandenny as requested, but not at Penyclawdd. Cllr Parry was advised to contact Highways directly to get quick action.

The manhole near the allotments was still dangerous. The Clerk would remind Highways about it.

BT Manholes in West Lea, Sunnyvale and Fayre Oaks were still in need of attention.

2292. General Correspondence.

The County Council strategy documents on Children and Young People, Community Safety and Health, Social Care and Well-Being would be e-mailed to those on e-mail and copied to other members for consideration at the next meeting.

The report on the Monmouth Play-scheme was received and the additional suggested contribution of £500 was noted. This will be considered at the Finance Meeting.

Other items were received and noted.

2293. Members Reports

Cllr Phillips had met Mark Watkins to discuss some Highway problems for people with disabilities in Raglan.

He had also attended the One Voice Wales Executive Meeting where the fees for next year had been discussed. They will go up by 3%.

Cllr Mrs Williams had attended a Village Hall Committee meeting. Father Christmas would be in the village next week.

Cllr Crump noted that the Director of Education had agreed to get a new fence around the school as a priority (by Easter).

2294. Any Other Business

a) The Finance Committee would be held on 11 January at 7:30pm in the School.

b) The new Christmas Lights had attracted good comments, although there were comments that more would be welcomed.

**The meeting ended at 8:20pm**