

**Raglan Community Council**  
**Minutes of the Community Meeting held on Wednesday**  
**28<sup>th</sup> May 2014 at the Fellowship Centre at**  
**7.30pm**

**Present**

Cllr Dennis Brown  
Cllr Ewen Brierley  
Cllr Vivienne Compton  
Cllr Penny Jones  
Cllr Richard Moorby

Cllr Noel Porter  
Cllr Ray Parry  
Cllr Trevor Phillips (Chairman)  
Cllr Noel Porter  
Cllr Helen Williams  
Cllr Peter Williams

**3619 In attendance:**

Adrian Edwards, Clerk to the Council.  
Plus 9 members of the public were in attendance

**3620 Agenda item 1:-Apologies for absence.**

Cllr Sylvia Price.

**3621 Agenda item 2: Declarations of interest**

None received

**3622 Agenda item 3: Motion 1.** Raglan Community Council recommends that new trustees are appointed to represent Raglan Village Hall Association.

The Chairman explained that the Raglan Village Hall Association (RVHA) held a meeting and new trustees have been elected. The Clerk explained to members that the motion is to formally record that the Council are no longer trustees for the fund which is recorded with the charity commission. Mr Andrew Johnson the newly elected Chairman of the RVHA disagreed that the Council need to pass this motion as the RVHA are a constituted organisation with the charity commission.

The Clerk reminded members and Mr Johnson that the Council needs to comply with Governance and Accountability and the Councils auditors. The Clerk also explained the Council will remain custodian trustees in line with the conveyance document. Mr Johnson stated that he will not provide the names of the newly appointed trustees as the management committee are automatically appointed trustees, and they will be removing any existing names recorded with charity commission.

The Clerk explained the Council will need to comply with the Local Government Act and good governance. The Community Council is not working under the Charity Act.

***Proposed:*** by Cllr P Williams seconded by Cllr Moorby, that the names of the Councillors recorded as trustees with the charity commission are removed.

***Resolved:*** that the names are removed and the people recorded as trustees with the charity commission are contacted explaining the current position.

**All members agreed**

**3623 Agenda item 3: Motion 2.** To consider transferring the fund held in trust by Raglan Community Council to Raglan Village Hall Association.

Without any further debate it was:

**Proposed:** by Cllr R Moorby seconded by Cllr P Williams, that the money is transferred to the RVHA.

The Clerk informed the members that the money on account at year end 31<sup>st</sup> March 2014, £8'817.62

**Resolved:** that the Clerk draw up a transfer document and transfer the money held on account.

**3624 Agenda item 5:** Ms Shirley Hughes Social Enterprise Development Officer from Adventa, to formally present the Raglan Community Plan for adoption.

The Chairman invited Ms Shirley Hughes to present the Community Plan so the Council are able to adopt the plan. The Community Plan was circulated prior to the meeting. Ms Hughes gave members a verbal report identifying a number of points contained within the plan.

The Chairman thanked Ms Hughes for the presentation. He asked the Council members or members of the public if they wished to ask any questions.

- One member asked about the numbers that participated. It was explained that 248 adults and 236 children completed the questionnaires.
- One member asked about the adoption of the plan and who will update and move the action plan on.
- A question was asked about the timeline and should this be given High, Medium or Low priorities. It was thought this could be done by a working group.
- It was thought the action points should be updated on a bimonthly basis.

It was thought the Community Council are the most sustainable organisation in the Community. After some debate it was:

**Proposed:** that the Community Council adopts the Community Plan and action plan.

Cllr Moorby thanked Ms Hughes with Cllr's Helen Williams and Trevor Phillips for their work.

It was: **Proposed:** that Cllr's Peter Williams, Ewen Brierley, and Viv Compton are co-opted onto the working group.

Community plan Appendix 1

**3625 Agenda item 6:** Any other business residents wish to raise with the Chairman and the Council members of local interest or concern.

One member of the public asked about the planning application DC/2013/00469, installation and operation of a 50kw wind turbine and associated infrastructure at Lower Pen-y-Clawdd Farm.

The Clerk explained that he contacted the Planning Inspectorate today (28<sup>th</sup> May) and all correspondence must be with the inspectorate by the 9<sup>th</sup> June 2014. There was some concern over the start date as the Clerk and Cllr Penny Jones had different start dates. The Clerk expressed concern that the comments the Community Council made have not been included in the document bundle submitted to the Planning Inspectorate.

The Clerk asked if the Council would like to make further observations. One member asked if the comments from MCC planning committee were included in the submissions sent to the Planning Inspectorate.

One member asked about the appeal process and stated this should be a public inquiry not an inquiry behind "closed doors" with written representations. It was believed the inquiry should be an open inquiry after the number of residents who objected to the application. It is believed that an open inquiry will give residents to ask open questions and cross question any items put in front of the Inspector. It was believed a substantial amount of documentation has not been challenged. Concern was also expressed that no public notices have been published in the locality, and most of the residents who objected to the application have not received any notice of the inquiry. After some debate it was:

**Resolved:** *the clerk would compile the Council's objection and submit to the Planning Inspectorate. The clerk will also write to the WG Minister asking for the inquiry to be converted to a public inquiry.*

Ms Shirley Hughes informed members that the Raglan Festival will be on the 13<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> June 2014 and asked if the Council will be awarding a grant and if the money will be received before the 13<sup>th</sup> June. It was confirmed the grant application was awarded in January this year. After some debate it was:

**Resolved:** *the Festival Committee will receive a cheque within the next seven days.*

The Chairman of the RVHA told the meeting that a working group has been set up made up of different local groups and officers from MCC. The Chairman confirmed the Council nominated two Councillors to attend that working group. The Chairman of the RVHA asked about the documents on the Councils website. He asked about the complaints procedure the Council have adopted.

The clerk informed Mr Johnson the document is a generic document. He explained that a complaint can be made to the Clerk or Chairman or anyone can write to the Local Government ombudsman.

**3626** The Chairman thanked everyone for attending. The meeting closed at 8.17pm. The date of the next meeting is 25<sup>th</sup> June 2014

Signed by \_\_\_\_\_

Chairman Cllr Trevor Phillips  
Date 25<sup>th</sup> June 2014