

*Minutes of Llangarron Parish Council  
held on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2019  
At Llangarron Village Hall 7.30 pm  
7.30pm*

Present: Councillors: Chairman (Chairman), Paul Bailey, Liz Dingsdale, John Joseph, Paul Lodge, , John Norman, , Nick Saunders, Simon Wainwright & Neil Wheeler

In attendance: Parish Clerk Kath Greenow, Ward Cllr Elissa Swinglehurst and 11 parishioners

**1. To receive apologies for absence**

Vice Chair Cllr Sylvia Matthews

**2. To receive declarations of interest & written requests for dispensation**

Cllr Neil Wheeler Declared a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest on agenda item 8.2 as he was the applicant  
Cllr John Joseph declared a Non disclosable Pecuniary interest on agenda item 8.2

**3. Minutes**

3.1 To agree and sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2019

It was **RESOLVED:** to agree and sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2019 and the Chairman signed the minutes

3.2 To agree and sign the minutes of the Extra Ordinary Parish Council meeting held 8<sup>th</sup> August 2019

It was **RESOLVED:** to agree and sign the minutes of the Extra Ordinary Parish Council meeting held 8<sup>th</sup> August 2019 and the Chairman signed the minutes

**4. Open Discussion** - To receive views from local residents on parish matters

(This period will be restricted to 10 minutes. Please note decisions cannot be made at this meeting on items not on the agenda)

A parishioner present raised concerns in relation to the detail in the ecology report concerning application 193027

At this point in the meeting Cllr Neil Wheeler and Cllr John Joseph both left the room having declared interests in the application

The applicant's representative for planning consultation 193027 gave an outline of the application.

At this point in the meeting The Chairman brought forward agenda item 8.2 followed by 8.1

**8.Planning**

8.2 Planning Consultation - 193027 - Land at Meredith Farm, Llancloudy, Herefordshire, HR2 8QR  
Description: Proposed construction of 4 no. dwellings with access.

It was **RESOLVED:** to make the following comment on the consultation: There are concerns from parishioners regarding the ecology report detail. Some members of the Parish Council would prefer a smaller development and all the dwellings to be bungalows

Cllr Neil Wheeler and Cllr John Joseph re-entered the room after the Parish Council had considered planning consultation 193027

8.1 To consider commenting on planning re-consultation 192208 Land at Llangrove Ross-on-Wye Herefordshire

Description: Site for construction of 2 no houses and 1no bungalow

It was **RESOLVED:** to make following additional comments on the re-consultation: The application is contrary to The Core Strategy policies

Policy LDI- Landscape and townscape Development proposals should: demonstrate that character of the landscape and townscape has positively influenced the design, scale, nature and site selection, protection and enhancement of the setting of settlements and designated areas;

- conserve and enhance the natural, historic and scenic beauty of important landscapes and features, including Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty, nationally and locally designated parks and gardens and conservation areas; through the protection of the area's character and by enabling appropriate uses, design and management; incorporate new landscape schemes and their management to ensure development integrates appropriately into its surroundings; and
- maintain and extend tree cover where important to amenity, through the retention of important trees, appropriate replacement of trees lost through development and new planting to support green infrastructure.

Policy SS6 - Environmental quality and local distinctiveness. Development proposals should conserve and enhance those environmental assets that contribute towards the county's distinctiveness, in particular its settlement pattern, landscape, biodiversity and heritage assets and especially those with specific environmental designations. In addition, proposals should maintain and improve the effectiveness of those ecosystems essential to the health and wellbeing of the county's residents and its economy. Development proposals should be shaped through an integrated approach to planning the following environmental components from the outset, and based upon sufficient information to determine the effect upon each where they are relevant:

- landscape, townscape and local distinctiveness, especially in Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty; biodiversity and geodiversity especially Special Areas of Conservation and Sites of Special Scientific Interest;
- historic environment and heritage assets, especially Scheduled Monuments and Listed Buildings;
- the network of green infrastructure;
- local amenity, including light pollution, air quality and tranquillity;
- agricultural and food productivity;
- physical resources, including minerals, soils, management of waste, the water environment, renewable energy and energy conservation.
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Policy OSI - Requirement for open space, sports and recreation on facilities The provision of appropriate open space, sports and recreation facilities will arise in the following proposals for planning applications;

1. all new residential dwellings; or 2. retail and employment proposals where there is need to provide informal areas of amenity greenspace for the use of employees and visitors; and 3. residential institutions, student accommodation, assembly and leisure, hotels or hostels.

4.1 To receive a report from the ward Cllr

The ward Cllrs August report had been circulated to Cllr prior to the meeting and was noted

## **5.Lengthsman**

5.1 To consider work to be carried out by the lengthsman

**It was RESOLVED: that the Clerk chases up the** lengthsman as the 2 maintenance days required in the North and South areas of the parish during September had not been carried out as previously minuted 30/07/2019

## **6. Footpaths**

6.1 To receive a footpaths report from the footpaths officer

The footpaths officer gave her report for September on the footpaths in the parish

1. LG27 - Grove Farm to Little Treerece
  - (a) 52708 19627 opposite Grove Farm there is a stile overgrown
  - (b) 52371 20074 - stile not in use anymore. Walkers are using a stile at the top of the field on LG14 and then walking along the boundary of the field where there is no public footpath.
  - (c) 52510 20329 - stile in disrepair.
  - (d) 52617 20349 - overgrown stile
2. LG39 on the main road just up from Llangarron towards Treduchan Farm on the left 52495 20954 - overgrown stile.
3. LG45 Llancloudy to Treduchan Farm
  - (a) 51642 19842 (2 fields from Treduchan Farm crossroads) - stile overgrown and leaning so very little step on one side.
  - (b) 49949 20942 - gate needs clearing (by the farmer?)
  - (c) 49705 20893 - no path through crops.
  - (d) 50361 20660 - no path through crops
  - (e) 50625 20421 - path through crops is not 1.5m wide.
  - (f) 51015 20005 - no path through crops (under the pylons)

In addition

4. LG13 and LG30 good maintenance work by Terry earlier in the year visible.
5. LG29 (through the nature reserve and the field opposite Elm Cottage) - Members of the Llangrove walking group have been busy cutting back, mowing grass and repairing catches on gates. Thank you.
6. In Llangrove in several places footpaths cut through private gardens. It is the owners' responsibility to keep the footpath clear and no-one else should be doing any clearing of footpaths in private gardens.
7. Current situation regarding the two stiles on LG14 under the pylons on the main road running from Llangarron to Treduchan Farm.

6.2 To consider footpaths work to be carried out by footpaths contractor

The Clerk reported that the agreed footpaths work identified at the last PC meeting 30-07-2019 had not been attended too. She had contacted the lengthsman to request the work is carried out a.s.a.p.

There were some issues regarding crops growing across some footpaths, which the Chairman would speak to the landowners concerned. As to the clearing of footpaths going through a private garden this was the responsibility of the property owner. The matter regarding LG14 the Clerk would contact the nation grid concerning this.

## **7. Highways**

7.1 To highways matters for reporting to Balfour Beatty concerning road issues in the parish etc Cllr Lodge reported the locality steward had contacted him to arrange as a parish walk with Cllrs to discuss ongoing issues in the parish

7.2 To receive an update on (TRO) speed reduction through Llangrove from 30mph to 20mph  
No further update

## **9. Freedom of information**

9.1 To note FOI requests attended to by the Parish Clerk

The Clerk advised that she had attended to 2 FOI request which had resulted in extra hours being worked, which was noted by Cllrs.

## **10. Finance**

10.1 To note bank balances bank balance was noted as of 30/08/2019 £20,883.52

10.2 To note bank reconciliation report considered, noted and signed by the Chairman

10.3 To note clerk's salary paid for August as per contract.

The clerks pay for August was noted

10.4 To consider payments to:

It was **RESOLVED:** to pay

K Greenow - Clerks final salary payment

Clerk reimbursement for mileage April – September £104.13

Clerks reimbursement for postage £8.40

Llangrove Academy room hire invoice for Parish Council meetings (5 evenings) £75.00

HALC invoice- H672 - Internal Audit Fee £200.00+vat & Inhouse training for Cllrs £175.00 + vat

Terry Griffiths invoice TGC0834- lengthsman work £307.00 +vat

Autela Payroll Services invoice 2625- £39.23+vat

### **11. Correspondence**

11.1 To consider HALC training schedule and book training as appropriate

HALC training was noted

**12. To note the date of the next Parish Council Meeting as Tuesday 29th October 2019 at Llangrove Village Hall**

**The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.40pm**

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Chairman - Llangarron Parish Council

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