

**MINUTES OF DEVAUDEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL  
TUESDAY 29 JUNE 2010 AT ITTON VILLAGE HALL**

**COUNCILLORS PRESENT:** J Williams (chair), C Knight, M Powell, K Reece, A Cooke, E Hall, CC Bob Greenland

**IN ATTENDANCE:** C Martin (clerk).

**APOLOGIES:** N Knowland, A Duffield, PC Cowburn

**1) OPEN SESSION**

No members of the public present. As PCC Cowburn was unable to attend, the crime report was reviewed and attached at the end of the minutes

**2) CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

Minutes from meeting of 25 May 2010 were agreed and signed by JW and CM.

**3) MATTERS ARISING**

- 3.1** Replacement for CK when he leaves. Cllr Knight confirmed that Andrew Williams of Wolvesnewton will be co-opted for the Llanvihangel/Wolvesnewton ward. CK will bring him along to the next meeting and CM will organise the acceptance of office documentation at the August meeting.
- 3.2** Highways form replies for 29/4/10 and 29/5/2010. File
- 3.3** JW reported that Mrs L Futchter has expressed her thanks for the prompt response to the remedial works carried out on the Devauden bus shelters. The meeting passed on their thanks to Cllr Knowland.

**4) FINANCE**

*Balances at 29/06/10 Current; £1000 Notice: £2772.38*

**4.1** Agreed for payment by JW and MP;

C.Martin, clerk's salary and expenses, £239.09 cheque no. 101173

Church of the Holy Cross Kilgwrwg, £50 cheque no. 101174, donation for grass cutting

**4.2** Accounts for year ending 31/3/10 were produced by CM for signature by Chair and Clerk. JW and CM signed off the accounts. CM will prepare the annual return for signature at August Meeting.

**5) CORRESPONDENCE**

- 5.1** MCC – Rural development plan for Wales. File
- 5.2** MCC – updates to electoral register – distributed.
- 5.3** Wolvesnewton Church PCC – letter of thanks for donation. File
- 5.4** MCC – letter of introduction from Jenny Lewis – citizen Engagement Manager. File
- 5.5** Wye Valley AONB annual study tour – 24 September 2010-06-28. Taken by AC.
- 5.6** MCC – Tidy tons and local communities. Taken by JW.
- 5.7** MCC – Monmouthshire Local development plan – consultation on proposed rural housing allocations. Taken by JW to review.
- 5.8** NAW – Local authority byelaws in Wales – a consultation paper. File
- 5.9** MCC – review of the electoral arrangements for the county of Monmouthshire draft proposals. JW to review.
- 5.10** Clerks and councils direct. No action
- 5.11** Communication from OVW confirming that the latest standing orders document is available from them at a cost of £35. The meeting agreed to purchase the document. CM to arrange.

**6) PLANNING**

- 6.1** Planning committee agenda 1, 15 and 29 June. File 2 months.
- 6.2** The following plans were approved by MCC or acceptable delegated decisions;
- 6.2.1** DC/2010/00108 Erection of workshop and garage store, Bryn Heulog Llanvihangel tor y Myndd
- 6.2.2** DC/2009/00742 Occasional courses of bush craft and survival and charcoal making. Retention of temporary overnight shelter and lock up container for tools and materials.
- 6.2.3** DC/2010/00003 construction of a 12,000 bird free range egg production unit.
- 6.3** DC/2010/00486 Certificate of existing lawful use or development, Garage and store Wenallt, Tredean Cottages, Devauden. Unanimously agreed to recommend refusal as there is no evidence of continuous use of hard standing area and garage.

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- 6.4** DC/2010/00352 Listed building consent – Internal alterations, Great Hall, Itton Court, Itton, Chepstow. Meeting agreed that they were unable to make a decision without the benefit of a conservation officer's advice on the changes.
- 6.5** DC/2010/00498 Proposed new double garage and workshop, Yew Tree Cottage, Cobblers Plain, Devauden. No objections recommend approval.

## **7) COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT**

Nothing specific to report

## **8) ONE VOICE WALES (OVW)**

National Training programme for community and town councils in Wales. File.  
AGM of Monmouthshire/Newport area committee 15 July at Usk. File

## **9) WARD REPORTS**

JW suggested it would be a good idea to ask the AM, Nick Ramsey some questions when he attended the July meeting. The clerk can then pass them onto Nick's office ahead of the meeting. The following questions were decided upon;

What effects are the budget cuts going to have on the WAG?

Why does Monmouthshire receive so little funding from WAG and what are you doing about it?

Budget cuts and will this affect the ordinary person in the area?

Referendum – what extra powers are being applied for?

Broadband accessibility in rural areas?

AC – Use of Wern-y-cwm picnic site inappropriately – refer to PC Cowburn

The track at the back of Corner Cottage Kilgwrrwg referred to at the last meeting. CM confirmed that she had not received a reply to the letter sent to MCC. AC/JW have received emails from local residents about this issue and they will forward them to CC Greenland.

KR – Top of star hill – hedges very high and potentially dangerous – route 43.13

Route 27.5, going towards the 53.18, the track through the Creigau, further information will be supplied by KR about the state of this track.

**Meeting closed 9.20pm**

*Next Meeting:* 27 Jul Itton village Hall

## **Meeting dates 2010**

Aug 31, (all Itton) Sept 28, Oct 26, Nov 30, Dec tbc (all Devauden).

## **PC Cowburn's Police Report**

Devauden & Itton incidents 26th May to 28th June

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26/5	Fail to stop accident near Llansoy. Wing mirror knocked off.
27/5	Male cold calling in Devauden - trying to sell photographs.
30/5	Lorry causing an obstruction near Devauden.
31/5	Concern for a female at Itton. Safe and well.
6/6	Damage to a window at Newchurch - possible attempt break.
6/6	Neighbour dispute near Devauden.
7/6	Car down an embankment near Llansoy. No injuries.
8/6	Outhouse broken into and disc cutters stolen at a farm near Devauden.
10/6	Attempt fraud using an address near Devauden.
11/6	Theft of fuel from a tank near Llansoy.
14/6	Suspicious vehicle seen at Llansoy. No offences.
25/6	Premises alarm at Itton. Fault.

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