

CYNGOR CYMUNED GOETRE FAWR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT GOETRE FAWR COMMUNITY CENTRE ON MONDAY 19th NOVEMBER 2018

Present: Community Councillors, Owen Dodd, Jan Butler, Andy Barnes, Roger Howells, Robert French, Syd Welford, Lucyann Rands, Nigel Morrey, Colin Deakins, Peter Daniel and Rose Thayers.

In Attendance: Jonathan Lazenby (Clerk)

Apologies: Community Councillor Nicola Awni, County Councillor Bryan Jones

Guests: Lyndon Jones

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| 1 | Apologies for Absence | |
| 2 | Declarations of Interest The Chair asked members present whether they had any declarations of interest to make, over and above those already recorded (and published on the web site). The Chair reminded those present that they should also notify the meeting of any additional interests which became apparent during the progress of the meeting. The Chair advised that he now had a new work position which would involve him working with Prescoed & Usk prisons as well as Youth Offenders. Clerk to record. | Clerk |
| 3 | Chairman's Remarks The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting. The Chair apologised for the late updates on the School Governors and on Jack & Jill's. | |
| 4 | Approval of Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on 15th Oct 2018 The minutes were formally proposed as a true and correct record of the meeting by Councillor Rands and seconded by Councillor Daniel. | |
| 5 | Planning applications At this point the meeting agreed to bring forward the planning agenda item to enable Mr Lyndon Jones to speak in respect of application DM/2018/01701. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 18/16719/FUL – (BBNPA) Demolition of existing single storey bungalow and construction of a one and a half storey dwelling, integral garage and new access driveway and parking area. Westleigh, Old Abergavenny Road, Pencroesoped Llanover Mons. Response previously provided to MCC: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is this development in keeping with the area? Will the materials to be used be reflective of the natural environment and setting that this will be situated in? No other issues or concerns were raised by the members of the Council but BBNPA had subsequently advised that the application had been withdrawn. DM/2018/01714 (MCC) Fast Track Full Planning Permission. Construction of steel framed agricultural type building for personal vehicle and personal property storage. Birch Grove House, Llan Lane, Monkswood, Monmouthshire, NP15 1QT MCC advised that no issues or concerns had been raised by councillors. DM/2018/01701 (MCC) - Planning Permission. Proposed development of site with 2 x detached dwellings instead of one already granted as part of MCC Decision ref: DC/2014/00133 dated: 06 June 2014. Pleasant Retreat, Star Road, Penperlleni, Goytre, Monmouthshire, NP4 0AJ Mr Lyndon Jones (developer) advised that the approved 5-bedroom detached property was to be replaced by two 3-bed detached properties (each with bathroom, en-suite and downstairs toilet), taking the development from the currently agreed 8, to 9 properties. Adequate parking (3 spaces per property) would be provided. After due discussion it was agreed that the Council had no objections subject to confirmation that the site sewage capacity was adequate. | Clerk |

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| 6 | <p>Matters Arising from the minutes of 15th October</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Item 6.1 – Clerk has continued to chase Welsh Water but without any response. Item 6.3 – Drain near Halfway House pub in Little Mill – Clerk has reported to MCC – Councillor Rands advised no action has yet been taken. Item 6.6 – Silver birches in Goytre park. Clerk has reported to MCC – Councillor Thayers advised no action has yet been taken. Item 6.7 – Drain by 27 Fairfield - Councillor French advised that a good deal of activity had already taken place but he believed more work was to be undertaken. Item 6.8 - Prunus Tree – MCC to investigate but will not cut down if it is found to be sound. Item 8.1 – The SIDs unit on School Lane is operating successfully. It has already identified six vehicles travelling the wrong way. It was proposed by Councillor Butler and seconded by Councillor Daniel that a CCTV camera be purchased to try and identify the culprit(s). The vote was carried with one councillor voting against. The installation of additional SIDs units is also being considered with at least one unit for Plough Road identified. Clerk advised that the CC would have to pay for its installation this time. The purchase and installation of this unit was proposed by Councillor Rands and seconded by Councillor Thayers. Councillor Howells advised that he had not had the opportunity to make a 'Your Speed' sign in Welsh and asked if he could look at the new unit before it was installed. Item 8.2 – New dog bin at the junction of Folly View and School Lane now installed and being emptied by Merlin Waste. Item 8.3 - Road markings for disabled residents – MCC Traffic will undertake a site visit but thought it unlikely they would support in a purely residential area. Clerk has stressed the need for both residents to have easy access to their cars. Item 8.4 – The hedges have now been cut. Item 12 – The Pop-Up Post Office is to open in January, using the Arthur Morris room in the village hall. GFCC to pay £5 per hour with a review after 6 months to take into account a possible fee increase from 1st Jan (likely to be £6 per hour). Item 16 – The silent soldiers have been installed in the two villages. Clerk thanked Councillor Deakins for his help with the installations. | <p>.</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> |
| 7 | <p>Monmouthshire County Council update</p> <p>In the absence of County Councillor Jones the Clerk reported the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> S106 monies from Folly View - £188,370 will be due in total for recreation purposes. S106 monies from Pleasant Retreat - £18,816 will be due for adult recreation and £5,348 for play (both off site) – (may change due to proposal to build an additional property). <p>There was no update on the following items raised at the last meeting:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Installation of a Pedestrian Crossing on the A4042. The change of bus route to enable buses to drop off / pick up in the village. The sunken road near Pleasant Retreat. The surface water drainage situation in Longhouse Barn. The Public consultation on yellow lines on Newtown Road. <p>At the request of Councillor Morrey, the Clerk has created an outstanding tracker list which will be distributed to Councillors and County Councillor Jones each month to enable the monitoring of progress.</p> | <p>Clerk</p> |
| 8 | <p>Maintenance</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> There is an abandoned car on School Lane – BJ07 TTX. It is not believed to be taxed. There are numerous mole hills on the grass area at Little Mill Village Hall. It was proposed by Councillor Deakins and seconded by Councillor Rands to employ James Price to address the problem. The road markings for the bus stops in Little Mill need repainting. The bushes by the steps in Goytre park need cutting back. The street lights don't provide adequate illumination on Fairfield, between Goytre stores and the junction with Newtown road. A request for LED lights to be made. The timing of the street lights switching on and off on Plough Road and Pleasant retreat appears somewhat random. | <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> |

| | <p>b) The Clerk has now prepared a retentions policy document for GDPR which he will present to full Council at the December meeting.</p> | Clerk | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | <p>3. 2018 / 2019 Budget review and update</p> <p>The following amendments to the 2018/19 budget were agreed at the finance sub-committee for presentation and approval by full Council.</p> <p>a) Reallocation of £5000 budget from donations to cover the possible purchase of additional SIDs radar units and / or other traffic calming measures for the A4042 (subject to approval of WAG / Welsh Highways) and/or the A472 in Little Mill, and/or Goytre village. To be added to Capital Expenditure budget.</p> <p>b) To date MCC have not invoiced us for the repair / maintenance work to Little Mill play park (budgeted at £2300 = £1922 + VAT). Clerk to advise MCC as this will create a budget line underspend.</p> <p>c) £38 added to Merlin Waste budget to cover the cost of an additional bin.</p> <p>d) Include £25 on Rent / Rates budget line for the Community Centre (omitted in error).</p> <p>e) An additional budget line of £130 should be added to cover the max 13-week cost in Quarter 1 for the rent of the village hall for the pop-up Post Office.</p> <p>The amendments were proposed by Councillor Daniel and seconded by Councillor Butler.</p> | Clerk | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | <p>4. 2019/2020 Precept (Inc review of 2019/20 draft budget).</p> <p>The following draft budget for 2019/20 was presented to Council with the aim of setting the precept for the same period.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Period</th><th>2019/20</th><th>Rationale</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Precept</td><td>£31,500.00</td><td>£500 increase on 2018/19</td></tr> <tr> <td>Rent - Olde Pounds Shop</td><td>£5,940.00</td><td>As agreed for 3 year renewal of lease from Jan 2018</td></tr> <tr> <td>Rent - Ton Land</td><td>£0.00</td><td>Cautious approach taken - assumes no income.</td></tr> <tr> <td>Donations / Grants</td><td>£0.00</td><td>Assumes no income / rebates</td></tr> <tr> <td>Interest</td><td>£152.00</td><td>£38,000 x 0.4% pa</td></tr> <tr> <td>VAT Refund</td><td>£2,800.00</td><td>Projection based on VAT paid as at 30/10/18 (£1637)</td></tr> <tr> <td>Total Income</td><td>£40,392.00</td><td></td></tr> <tr> <td></td><td></td><td></td></tr> <tr> <td></td><td></td><td>Assumes 5% increase (new pay scale?) to £12569 (x 80% = £10055 - £472 NI + £193 Employer Pension)</td></tr> <tr> <td>Clerk</td><td>£9,776.00</td><td></td></tr> <tr> <td>Toilet Cleaning</td><td>£3,659.00</td><td>Assumes 2% pay rise (rounded up)</td></tr> <tr> <td>HMRC</td><td>£2,985.00</td><td>Assumes 5% increase to £12569 x 20% (tax rate) + £472 employee NI</td></tr> <tr> <td>Postage / Expenses / Bank fees</td><td>£90.00</td><td>Small decrease - Postage £18. 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| Chairman's / Vice Chairman's Honorarium | £750.00 | Chairman's honorarium - £500 + Vice Chair - £250 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Elections | £250.00 | In case of need although no election expenses anticipated | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Clerk's Expenses | £500.00 | No change - £500 - but now separated from Councillors' expenses | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Councillors' Expenses | £2,500.00 | £1800 for determination 44 + £500 for Det #51 (care costs) + £200 travel | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Repairs / Renewals / Maintenance | £2,500.00 | Increase basic to £2500 (includes £500 SID maintenance) (+ VAT £500) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Donations | £5,000.00 | Reduce to £5K based on projected 2018/19 spend | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Capital Items | £5,000.00 | (+ VAT £1000) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Recreation Parks | £830.00 | Little Mill contract £400 + £180 hedges +£250 sundry (+ VAT £166) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Public Conveniences | £2,500.00 | Annual spend currently c£1800+ pa + £600 hand washer / dryer servicing (+ VAT £500) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Waste Collection | £2,150.00 | Merlin Waste projected to be £1700, Thomas Waste £450 (+ VAT £90) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Graveyards | £2,000.00 | £500 x 4 graveyards (no change) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Rent / Rates | £25.00 | No change | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bus Shelters | £250.00 | No change | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Communications / Engagement | £500.00 | Domain & web hosting fees + anti-virus + £250 for community engagement (+ VAT £50) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| One Voice Wales / SLCC / Training | £900.00 | Training courses (x10) = £400 + OVW membership £350 & SLCC £150 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CCTV / Info Commissioner | £200.00 | No change (+ VAT £40) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Goytre VH rental - Pop-up Post Office | £598.00 | 13 wks x £10 + 39 weeks x £12 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| VAT on purchases | £2,612.00 | (VAT element highlighted in red above) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Expenditure | £47,479.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Income - Expenditure | -£7,087.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | <p>5. Ton Land – update</p> <p>a. The use of the land by a prospective tenant farmer does not appear to be proceeding.</p> <p>b. A local resident had advised the Clerk of a neighbour who had expressed interest in renting the land for horses, but no contact has been received from them.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| | <p>c. Jones of Usk have now installed the tank and water pipe with the Clerk advising WW so they can inspect prior to connecting to the mains.</p> <p>d. Clerk has suggested the land should be offered as a candidate site to BBNPA as part of the revised Local Development Plan. This was proposed by Councillor Butler and seconded by Councillor Rands.</p> | <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> |
| 12 | <p>Community Centre Chairperson / representatives</p> <p>The Community Centre is struggling for committee members and the Chair asked if any other Council members would wish to serve. Councillor French and the Chair both put their names forward. Their nominations were proposed by Councillor Butler and seconded by Councillor Daniel. For information it was advised that the Clerk (currently co-opted as Treasurer) and Councillor Daniel (Secretary) would step down from their positions at the end of March next year, although Councillor Daniel would remain as a member of the committee.</p> | |
| 13 | <p>Dog Exercise Area</p> <p>It was reported that offensive (possibly libellous) material criticising the use of the red spray in the dog exercise area had been posted on the village Facebook page, and had to be taken down by Admin. Clerk confirmed that the spray (a commercially available street graffiti spray) had only been used on two occasions in the past two years. There were no plans for it to be used in the foreseeable future and the Clerk suggested that any further use be agreed by MCC and GFCC in advance which was agreed by the meeting. The Clerk also advised that despite the tin labelling, the product had been declared safe by MCC and that the COSHH data sheet advised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • '0' rating to Health. • The content of Benzene was so low that the classification of Carcinogen need not apply. • The product has no irritating effect on the skin, eyes, and no sensitizing effects were known. • No dangerous reactions or decomposition products were known. <p>It did appear that, at least for the time being, fouling had reduced in the exercise area.</p> | |
| 14 | <p>Goytre MUGA / s106 monies – review of current position / way forward</p> <p>Mike Moran at MCC confirmed that £188,370 s106 monies were due from the Folly View development for recreation purposes and these could be used for a MUGA – est. cost c£100k with floodlighting. It was agreed that the CC should look to explore reinstating this project, and to meet on site with MM to look at possible options. If 'approved' by the CC the ideas would then be presented to the community to gain residents' feedback and approval prior to formally submitting any plans. Councillors Barnes, Dodds, Butler, Daniel, Morrey, Thayers and Welford all expressed an interest in being present at the site visit. Clerk to look at the most appropriate date with MM, who will be invited to a suitable Council meeting to present the options for those Councillors unable to attend.</p> | Clerk |
| 15 | <p>Reports for Inclusion on Monthly agenda</p> <p>It was agreed that the following items would continue to be included on future agendas:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Little Mill Village Hall 2. Goytre Village Hall 3. Community Centre 4. School Governors | Clerk |
| 16 | <p>Reports – questions based on previously distributed update (distributed report reproduced below).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Little Mill Village Hall <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Another successful Fireworks' display on 5th November. After expenses including fireworks there was a surplus of £720.00. - During the summer the Hall floor was sealed and repairs carried out at a total cost of £3000.00. £3000.00 was spent on exterior decorating which included power washing exterior walls. | |

- Work in progress: new 'colour fence' ordered to replace hedge adjacent to electric sub-station, cost including ground works around £4000.00. Hopeful completion February 2019.
 - Bar roof and annexe corridor roof: bad water leak from bar roof. Both roofs are felt so the plan is to get a temporary seal for the winter and get both completed with fibre glass instead of felt which should give a much longer life, 25 years +. No quotes obtained as yet but anticipate £3-4,000.
 - The Senior Citizens' and children's parties arranged for Saturday 8th Dec.
- **Goytre Village Hall**
 - Floor sanding: Completed.
 - Chain link fence: Discussions are being held with County Councillor Bryan Jones - awaiting a response.
 - Yellow lines: Consultation is still in progress with the County Council and the Community Council is chasing this up.
 - LED lighting: The Village Hall was unsuccessful in its bid because the bid did not alleviate fuel or digital poverty. There is still the possibility of a small bid being successful because of the construction of new houses in the area.
 - Coffee morning/book exchange: Now to take place on first Wednesday of the month. The book exchange is proving popular and is well supported. So far the 2 events have been a great success.
 - Village Hall Development Plan
The following items were prioritised:
 - i. Smoke alarms There is an immediate need for 5 alarms.
 - ii. Ladies toilet refit
 - iii. Floor for ladies' toilet
 - iv. Interior decoration
 - v. Lighting for the social club
 - vi. Power socket replacement
More improvements are needed subject to affordability.
- **Goytre School Governors**
 - Following the announcement of Mrs Sutherland's early retirement, the Governing Body, after consultation with the LEA, will advertise the position during the first week of January, with a formal appointment commencing September 2019. The Spring and Summer terms will see Mrs Wilkinson become Head of School with Richard Brunsdon, Head Teacher at Cantref Primary, being Executive Head, spending on average, 2 days a week at Goytre Fawr. Mr Brunsdon started his teaching career at Goytre Fawr and has been Head at Cantref since 2012 - the school is considered outstanding in many respects.
- **Goytre Community Centre**
 - The meeting scheduled for 12th November had to be postponed. The meeting is to be re-arranged for the week commencing 7th or 14th January 2019.
- **Goytre After School Club**
 - No report submitted.
- **Goytre Scout Hut**
 - No report submitted.
- **Public Conveniences**
 - Nothing to report.

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| 17 | Donations The Chair suggested a £25 donation to Llanover Community Council towards the costs of refreshments at the recent Remembrance Day service. This was proposed by Councillor Thayers and seconded by Councillor Butler. | Clerk |
| 18 | Communications There were no additional communications to report. | |
| 19 | Advertising Councillor Welford advised that the deadline for submissions to the next Usk & Raglan Diary (Jan / Feb 2019) is this Friday, 23 rd November. Next submission to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The 'Pop-Up' Post Office in the Village Hall to commence early in the New Year. • The classes running in Goytre Community Centre for Welsh and Floristry are fully subscribed. However, courses for Genealogy, Water Colour Painting and I-Pad/Laptop use for beginners require further interest before starting. • The Book Exchange (with Tea, coffee and cake) is proving popular and will next meet on 5th December. • The Speed Indicator Device on School Lane is showing that 10% of drivers are exceeding the speed limit, and a small number are going the wrong way. A CCTV camera will soon be added to identify those individuals. • The next meetings of the Council will be 10th December in Little Mill and 21st January in Goytre. | |
| 20 | Date of Next Meeting - Monday 10 th December at Little Mill Village Hall, commencing at 7.30 pm. Councillors Howells, Butler, Awni & Thayers will be unable to attend. Alternative dates were considered but after some discussion it was agreed to leave the date unchanged. | All |

Chairman:

Date: