

## **RAGLAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 22 November 2006 at Raglan Junior School at 7:30pm.**

**Present:** Cllr. Mrs M. Chilcott, (Chair)

Cllrs R.Moorby, T.Phillips, N.Porter, D.Watkins, Mrs J.Harry, R.Parry, D.Brown, Mrs H.Williams, A.Crump and R.Watkins

In attendance: The Clerk, PCSO Barclay and PCSO Watkins

**1089** The Chairman welcomed PCSOs Barclay and Watkins to the meeting and invited them to give their report.

The report noted several minor incidents in the Raglan area. PCSO Barclay noted that they were keen to get the Neighbourhood Watch up to speed again and he would welcome any information about changes of scheme coordinators.

Cllr D Watkins commented on the theft of diesel fuel from a farm at Penyclawdd and queried whether travellers in the area had been checked. He was told that this is a role for the Customs and Excise and not the police.

The Chairman thanked the police representatives for attending and confirmed that they would be welcomed at the January meeting.

**1090a)** The Minutes of the Meeting of 27 October 2006 were confirmed and agreed as a correct record.

b) The Minutes of the Meeting of 8 November 2006 were confirmed and adopted as a correct record.

### **1091 Matters Arising**

A question was raised concerning Mr Challenor's attendance at a meeting of the Council and whether that was appropriate. Will planning applicants in future have the right to address the meeting?

It was agreed that in future this would only be allowed if it took place at a meeting before the planning application was considered and if it was agreed by the Council. (This had been the case with Mr Challenor as the application was not considered at the meeting that he had attended and his presence had been agreed at the previous meeting of the Council.

Re minute 1085, Cllr Phillips noted that there is a lot in the new Act which will affect the public.

Re minute 1081, Cllr Crump had no information on the lights. He was waiting for Mr Joy to act.

It was reported that the tree in Sunny Vale is not a problem at present.

Cllr Moorby had asked Rhidian Jones about the Housing Survey results and these are being processed.

### **1092 Planning Matters**

a) Correspondence, Plans Lists and Agendas.

The letter concerning the T Mobile Mast was noted. The Clerk would write noting the

nearby school and creche and asking why an existing mast cannot be extended.

b) The following decisions of the Planning Authority were noted:

DC/2006/009996 New pitched roof over bedroom at Hilltop, Kingcoed, Raglan - Approved

DC/2006/00672 Renovation/conversion of coach house to provide dwelling - The Old Vicarage, Llandenny - Approved

DC/2006/00889 2 Storey extension and garage, Bentra Mill House, Llangovan - Approved

DC/2006/00747 Garden room extension, Rumpus House, Llandenny -Approved

DC/2006/00770 Two Storey side extension, new porch and garage, 14 Sunny Vale, Raglan - Approved

c) There were no planning applications to consider.

### **1093 Finance Matters**

a) It was agreed to pay the following accounts:

Clerk's salary                               £250.00

Monmouthshire CC (grass cutting) £701.66

Royal British Legion (donation)   £25.00

b) Several requests for funding were referred to the January Finance meeting.

### **1094 Highway Matters**

a) Correspondence

Several items of correspondence were received and noted.

b) Members concerns

Cllr Mrs Chilcott will speak to Andrew Jones about the Willsbrook hedge, asking for a progress report.

Cllr Parry asked for a complaint about the Graig Road to be pursued as it is still bad.

### **1095 General Correspondence**

A number of items of general correspondence were received and noted.

The Clerk will write to Mr Fitzpatrick concerning rural Post Offices.

### **1096 Common Land**

After a discussion about whether the Council should take on the keepership of Common Land in the Community it was agreed to write to Lord Raglan to say that the Council is still considering the issues involved and to copy the letter to Mr Jonathan Stephens.

### **1097 Footpaths**

It was noted that a group of councillors had identified several footpaths to be improved and these had been referred to the Countryside Department at County Hall. A response is awaited.

### **1098 Members Reports**

a) Play Area meeting

Cllr Brown reported that a meeting had been held with Mr Bradfield and estimates of

costs of work identified to be done were circulated to members. After discussion, it was agreed that equipment for younger children is needed but not goalposts. Members were pleased with the prompt response from Mr Bradfield.

b) Cllr Phillips noted that a seat and hedge had been demolished by a vehicle at the roundabout. It was agreed to check our insurance but to order a new seat in any case.

c) Clinical Futures meeting

The members who had attended this meeting reported back on the proposed plans for healthcare in the area in the next few years.

### **1099 Any Other Business**

a) Cllr D Watkins asked for a light at Prince Charles Rd and a path around Brooks Farm to be placed on the next Agenda.

b) The next meeting of the Council will be held on 20 December 2006 and the Finance Meeting on 10 January 2007.

**The meeting ended at 9:20pm.**