Minutes of the Meeting of Trefeurig Community Council held at Hen Ysgol Trefeurig at 7.00 pm on Tuesday, 15 March 2011

<u>PRESENT:</u> Councillors Trefor Davies (Chair); Richard Owen; D M Hughes; Daniel Jones; D Sheppard; D R Morgan; Mrs G Price; Tegwyn Lewis and the clerk Mrs P A Walker County Councillor D Suter was also present

- **3007** Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Mrs Edwina Davies; Melvyn Evans and Mrs Kari Walker
- **3008** Personal Matters: Cllr Trefor Davies and his wife were congratulated on the birth of a grand-daughter, their first grandchild
- 3009 Disclosure of Personal/Prejudicial Interest: None received
- **3010 Confirmation of Minutes:** It was RESOLVED to confirm as a true record the Minutes of the Meeting held on 22 February 2011. The following items arising from the Minutes were discussed:-

<u>Minute 2986 – Deposit of Minutes at Ceredigion Archives:</u> In addition to the Minute Books it was RESOLVED to deposit at Ceredigion Archives obsolete files (1) Re the Horse-drawn hearse sold in 1982 and (2) Correspondence re the Elusen Jones & Lewis Charity <u>Minute 2989 – Consultation re allocation of affordable housing:</u> Cllr D Sheppard outlined the contents of the consultation document and the proposals for improving the allocation of affordable housing in Mid-Wales. RESOLVED to note

<u>Minute 2991 – Footway Lamp, Maes yr Efail:</u> Cty Cllr D Suter said that he will look into the possibility of getting the broken light bulb replaced

<u>Minute 3006 – Highway Matters:</u> It was noted that various matters within the Community, including potholes, are in the process of being attended to by the Highways Dept

- **3011** Appointment of Clerk: It was RESOLVED to discuss this item following Financial Matters
- 3012 Reports of Meetings attended by Members representing the Community Council: SSE – Nant y Moch Windfarm Scheme:

Cllr Richard Owen reported on the Meeting held at Talybont on 23 February 2011. Representatives of SSE present were unwilling to discuss or renegotiate Community Benefit Funding payable on this project. The Meeting ended with the Statement of Community Involvement document remaining unsigned by Members of the Community Liaison Group

<u>Pact Meeting</u>, <u>Penrhyncoch</u>: Cllr DM Hughes stated that at the recent Pact Meeting speeding between Neuadd y Penrhyn and the School was the main concern, followed by the problem of dog fouling. Alternative arrangements for Pact meetings are being considered

<u>Trefeurig School Development Group:</u> Cllr Trefor Davies reported that it was hoped that recent media publicity may help raise funds. The result of the application for lottery funding is still awaited and Ceredigion has extended the Group's lease on the building by 3 months.

CORRESPONDENCE

- 3013 Dog Bins Penrhyncoch Play Area: Acknowledgement from Ceredigion Highways Dept that the dog bins are now emptied fortnightly. In response to a request from PATRASA it was RESOLVED to ask whether two additional bins can be purchased from Ceredigion and placed one at each end of the play area footpath, alongside the existing bins
- 3014 Ceredigion CC Planning Applications: Notification from the Planning Dept that in the near future planning applications will be available to consultees via the web paper copies will not be sent out. RESOLVED to pass to new clerk to provide e-mail address
- 3015 Civic Trust for Wales "Open Doors 2011": Invitation to communities to participate in a European Heritage Scheme to publicise local sites and events during September 2011 to encourage tourism. RESOLVED to note
- **3016** One Voice Wales Councillor Training 2011: Details of Training Courses within Wales were circulated to members. No applications to attend were received
- **3017** Ray Ceredigion Child's Play Project: Report on Community Play Area Survey within Ceredigion in 2009. RESOLVED to note

- **National Assembly for Wales Children & Young People Committee:** Report on the provision of Safe Places to Play and Hang Out. RESOLVED to note
- **Ynni Fro Renewable Energy:** Invitation to consider Community renewable energy projects. RESOLVED to consider at a later meeting

FINANCIAL MATTERS

- **3020 HSBC Bank Mandate:** A replacement bank mandate form was circulated to members to sign. It was RESOLVED to pass this to the new clerk to complete and present to the Bank to enable cheques to be signed at the next Meeting
- 3021 Clerk's Salary and Car Allowance: Notice of an increase in clerks' payments was issued by the NJC in Sept 2009, payable from 1 April 2009. Copies of the circulars were not received by Trefeurig CC until March 2011. It was RESOLVED to adopt the rates recommended and to backdate the clerk's increase in mileage and salary to 1st April 2009 Payment of Bills: It was RESOLVED to pay the following bills:
- 3022 Linda Griffiths Translation February 2011: £60.61 cheque 1048
- **3023** Neuadd y Penrhyn room hire 07.03.2011: £12. cheque 1049
- 3024 CG Hen Ysgol Trefeurig CC Ltd room hire 15.03.2011: £15. cheque 1050
- **3025** P A Walker salary: Jan/March 2011+ arrears April 09 Dec'10: £666. 63
 - **postage:** Jan/March 2011 : 31. 71
 - mileage: Jan/March 2011+ arrears April 09-Dec'10: __57. 19
 - **Total:** £755. 53 cheque 1051
- **3026 PO Ltd:** BT bill to 11/03/11: £95.07 + Vat £18.85: £113.92 cheque 1052

3027 APPOINTMENT OF CLERK:

Following interviews for the post of part-time clerk to Trefeurig CC it was RESOLVED to appoint Mrs M A Jenkins of Llanfarian; an experienced Community Council Clerk. Mrs Jenkins will commence work on 1 April 2011, working seven hours per week at the NJC recommended rate for Scale LC1 (SCP) 17.

The retiring clerk will be away from $17 - 31^{st}$ March 2011. It was RESOLVED that on her return Mrs Walker will complete the Minutes for the March 2011 Meeting and the Income and Expenditure figures for the financial year ending 31 March 2011. All documents etc will then be passed to Mrs Jenkins. BT will be asked to disconnect the Council telephone and, when received, the final bill will be passed to the Council for payment

- 3028 Planning Decision: A101001 Blaencastell, Penrhyncoch extension: Approved
- 3029 Observations on Planning Application A110157 Land adj Arosfa, Salem: Erection of dwelling: No objections raised to the development
- 3030 The next Meeting will be held in Neuadd y Penrhyn at 7.00 pm Tuesday 19 April, 2011
- 3031 It was agreed to place the following items on the agenda:

Overhanging branches obstructing lorries between Pant Tyn Pwll and Banc y Darren Bridle Path 9/51 & 8/17 which runs east of Blaencastell and over Banc Llety Ifan Hen in very boggy condition

Bridle path 9/62 is also boggy where it leaves Cwmsymlog Mine below the pond before it rises up to Banc Cwmerfyn to join BOAT 9/61

The Chairman, Council Members and the County Councillor expressed their thanks and good wishes to Mrs Walker on her retirement and the meeting closed at 8.45 pm