

Cyngor Tref Llanandras a Norton
PRESTEIGNE AND NORTON TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 21ST AUGUST 2019
AT THE ASSEMBLY ROOMS, BROAD STREET, PRESTEIGNE

Present: Cllrs. T. Owens (Mayor), F. Preece (Deputy Mayor), C. Kirkby MBE, R. Bamford, P. Linnett, L. Veary, D. Edwards, C. Ruby, B. Baynham, J. Wilding.

Apologies: Cllr. N. Rogers, R. Bennett.

In Attendance: Mrs T. Price, Town Clerk. One Member of the public.

Declarations of Interest: Members were requested to declare any personal and/or prejudicial interests they may have in matters to be considered at the meeting in accordance with the terms of the Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct Order) (Wales) Order 2008.

Personal: None.

Personal and Prejudicial:

Cllr. C. Kirkby, friend of applicant re. planning application 19/1258.

Cllr. T. Owens, friend of applicant re. planning application 19/1258.

Cllr. J. Wilding, applicant re. planning application 19/1258 and related to applicant re pre planning consultation for Land South of Joe Deakins Road.

MIN 3653 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 17th July, 2019 were approved with one amendment – replace ‘Ward’ in Minute 3648 with ‘Award’. The Chairman then duly signed the Minutes.

MIN 3654 FINANCE

(1) Payments: The following payments were approved –

Welsh Water (Hereford Street Toilets)	£209.63 DIRECT DEBIT
Welsh Water (Barn)	£22.16 MEADOW ACCOUNT DIRECT DEBIT
PHS Group (services for toilets)	£130.97
Powys County Council (risk assessment course)	£65.00
Richard Rimington (refund items for new barn)	£407.15 MEADOW ACCOUNT
Owen Rimington (refund items for new barn)	£286.54 MEADOW ACCOUNT
Mrs T. Price	£1312.76
HM Revenue and Customs	£517.20
NEST (direct debit)	£122.99
Lyreco UK (office goods)	£29.20
Playdale Playgrounds Ltd	£1399.56
Pump International	£56.09 ALLOTMENT ACCOUNT
T. Lloyd-John (cleaning)	£660.70
Highground Maintenance Ltd (grass cutting)	£297.07 MEADOW ACCOUNT
Presteigne Building Supplies	£583.06 MEADOW ACCOUNT
J.A. Francis & Sons	£867.33 MEADOW ACCOUNT
Mr. N. Close	£151.83
Mr. N. Close	£209.22 MEADOW ACCOUNT
Mr. N. Close	£33.75 ALLOTMENT ACCOUNT
Play Inspection Company	£198.00 MEADOW ACCOUNT

The issue of a new cheque to Norton Community Development Group – change of name to Norton Community Trust – was noted.

The payment to Mr. Close included £81.00 for the work on the information boards and it was agreed that this amount be transferred from the Warden Reserve Account to the Treasurer Account.

(2) Receipts: The following receipts were noted –

PACDG (Playground Mums’ Fund)	£2082.47
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Powys County Council (re. electric Hereford Street) £170.58

Presteigne Carnival (donation twds new barn) £1000.00 MEADOW ACCOUNT

(3) The email of thanks from James Tennant-Eyles on behalf of the Playground Mums was noted.

(4) Council Insurance: Members considered the renewal of the Town Council policy and agreed to renew the Council's insurance with Hiscox via Came & Company. It was also agreed to take out a three year fixed term agreement. Members considered the need to insure the MUGA and outdoor gym at an additional cost of £183.00 and agreed to defer this for further consideration at the September meeting.

Came & Company (annual insurance) £1041.34

MIN 3655 PLANNING

(1) Planning applications: The following planning applications were considered –

Cllrs. Wilding, Kirkby and Owens left the room for the duration of the following item and Cllr. Preece assumed the Chair for this item only.

19/1258/FUL, Grid Reference: E:330285 N: 266918, Proposal: Change of use of land to form additional domestic curtilage. Site Address: Land Rear Of 23 & 24 Jack's View, Norton, Presteigne. Resolved no objections be raised.

Cllrs. Wilding, Kirkby and Owens returned to the room.

19/1142/HH Grid Reference: E:331482 N: 264373 Proposal: Erection of two sheds Site Address: Hitherback Cottage, 1 Harper's Lane, Presteigne. Resolved no objections but Council agreed with the recommendation of CPAT that an archaeologist be on site during excavations to record any archaeological features revealed.

19/1141/LBC Grid Reference: E:331482 N: 264373 Proposal: Internal and external works to dwelling Site Address: Hitherback Cottage, 1 Harper's Lane, Presteigne. Resolved no objections to the application subject to any conditions felt necessary by the Built Heritage Officer.

(2) Planning Decisions: The following decisions were noted –

19/0551/LBC Lloyds Bank, Hereford Street, Presteigne: Approval 12th July, 2019.

19/0550/FUL Lloyds Bank, Hereford Street, Presteigne: Approval 12th July, 2019.

19/0619/RES Land West of Sunnydale, Knighton Road, Presteigne: Approval 12th July, 2019.

19/0843/HH The Old Stores, Discoed: Approval 25th July, 2019

19/1102/TRE River Cottage, Church Street, Presteigne: Approval 25th July, 2019

19/0912/FUL Broadheath Farm Presteigne: Approval 31st July, 2019.

Cllr. Wilding left the room for the duration of the following item.

(3) Pre-Application Consultation: Outline Application for the erection of 30 dwellings (9 to be affordable) at Land South of Joe Deakins Road, Presteigne. Resolved to make the following comments -

- No issues with access on to the B4355 providing County Highways have no concerns.
- Concern at the large number of properties proposed on the site which seem to be high density for this area.
- Pleased at the number of affordable dwellings included in the proposal and to suggest that it would be useful to try to incorporate the need for particular size properties illustrated in the Town Council's last housing survey. A copy of this survey to be supplied.
- As proposed access is outside the 30mph limit to suggest that as part of the development the footway on that side of the road be widened and a crossing provided - adding to the current active travel route along the bypass, and that via the County Council an extension of the 30 mph, beyond the new site access be made.
- Given this number of dwellings will increase the pressure on the town facilities to ask that the consideration of some form of planning gain such as the provision of green space on the site, a financial contribution towards the town play areas or Went's Meadow park for example.
- Dwellings to be constructed to BREEAM 4 standard.

Cllr. Wilding returned to the room.

(4) Local Development Plan Supplementary Planning Guidance: Conservation Areas and Residential Design Guide: Agreed that a working group should be formed to consider these documents. Members to be Cllrs. Wilding, Owens, Bamford and Rogers. Cllr. Preece to attend if needed together with the National Development Framework consultation.

(5) Planning Officers' Society for Wales Survey Report: Noted.

MIN 3656 CORRESPONDENCE/GENERAL ITEMS

(1) Reply from Welsh Water re. inclusion of renewable technology with sewage system upgrade: Noted.

- (2) Request for Use of New Community Barn and Meadow 6th September: Sheep Music: Confirmed.
- (3) Police and Crime Commissioner Annual Report and Newsletter: Noted.
- (4) Short Term Closure of Byway PR1807(A): Noted.
- (5) Active Travel Route Update from County Council on issues in Hereford Street and to note further resident comments: The additional comments were noted. Cllr. Baynham would provide an update during the town walk.
- (6) School Poster Competition: Members agreed that two of each sign be ordered together with the necessary fixings.
- (7) Publication of Third Party Planning Correspondence: Members approved the submission of a report to the WLGA on the issue.
- (8) Dark Source and Presteigne Lighting: Cllrs. Owens and Kirkby agreed to be interviewed for the promotional video. Members confirmed that they had no objection to Presteigne being named as a partner town for the lighting conference. Cllr. Owens would make contact with Moffat, a Scottish Dark Sky community. Members also noted that Cllr. Kirkby was no longer able to attend the conference due to the amount of time involved and the travel costs.

MIN 3657 URGENT BUSINESS INFORMATION

- (1) Sheep Music Annual Fireworks: To be held on 2nd November.

The meeting closed at 7.15 pm and was followed by the annual town walk when the following items were considered –

- Hereford Street Active Travel Route Section: Cllr. Baynham explained the current proposals from the County Council. The Clerk was asked to press the County Council for installation of signage.
- Pedestrian Crossing at Secondary School: Members noted that one column was not working. The Clerk would report it and also pass on the complaint from a resident that the light from the other column was an issue at night.
- Former Sixth Form Building: Members looked at the building and considered the work that was needed prior to moving in the various items for storage. It was agreed that the Clerk ask the school if the temporary security fencing could be removed or if not wanted to offer to accept ownership. Once the fencing was moved the entrance path and building would be cleared and tidied by a working party of volunteers. Members also noted the damage to the cycle rack at the edge of the playground.
- Ivy on Fence at Industrial Estate: Members could not see a problem and the Clerk would contact the resident to ask for more information. It was reported that a green woodpecker had been seen on several occasions in the area.
- Rear of Premier: This was tidy at the time of the visit.
- New Paths on Reservoir Ground: Members were very pleased with the new paths.