

St Harmon Community Council

Minutes of a Meeting of St Harmon held on Thursday 4th July, 2024

Present: Cllr S Lewis, L McPhee, N Schmidt, A Mills
Cty Cllr C Johnson-Wood

Apologies: Cllr M Williams

SH 82/24 Declaration:
None.

SH 83/24 Minutes

a) **Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 9th May 2024**
The minutes were agreed and signed.

b) **Minutes of Meeting on 9th May 2024**
The minutes were agreed and signed.

c) **Minutes of Meeting held on 6th June 2023**
The minutes were agreed and signed.

SH 84/24 Information from Minutes

a) **Noticeboards**
The Hall and community noticeboards have now been delivered. Cllr Williams and Cllr Mills will install these.

SH 85/24 Public Speaking
None.

SH 86/24 Correspondence

a) **Proposed Planning Application at Dolhelfa Ganol, Llangurig, Llanidloes, Powys, SY18 6RX**
Resolved: to make no comment until the planning application is received from PCC Planning. Clerk to notify applicant of this.

b) **Cllr David Lowde – Resignation**
The Council received the resignation from Cllr David Lowde from 30th June 2024. He has decided to retire from the Council.

The Chair wished to thank David for all his hard work on behalf of the Council.

The following email was received from Mr & Mrs Kitchen:

“We have noted from the council meeting agenda that Councillor David Lowde has resigned. We would like to thank David publicly for all he has done for the community during his time as a member, including a period as Chairman.

He has always had the interests of the residents of the council area foremost in his mind and brought a steady and common-sense approach to decision making.

This is particularly true of the period of turmoil within the council a few years ago, when rash and even illegal procedures were allowed to occur as a result of poor leadership. David, with his colleagues, led the council through this difficult period and, I believe restored the community's trust in its council. We are confident that David's calm and much more open approach to all matters will continue to be evident within the council and pave the way for the future. This would be a deserved legacy for David, who has been a hard-working and very effective councillor.

With all our best wishes to David and the rest of the council.”

c) Cllr Daisy Davies – Resignation

The Council received the resignation of Cllr Daisy Davies due to family commitments on 4th July 2024.

The Chair wished to thank Daisy for all his hard work on behalf of the Council.

SH 87/24

Planning Applications

None.

SH 88/24

Finance

- a) **Cllr S Lewis – Allowance - £208.00 - approved**
- b) **Cllr M Williams – Allowance - £208.00 - approved**
- c) **A Mills – Summer Party Sundries - £77.56 - approved**
- d) **Notice Board Magnets - £22.56 - approved**
- e) **R Williams – Hog Roast - £1560.00 - approved**
- f) **Noticemeboards - £1259.88 - approved**
- g) **Inky Sparkles - £150.00 - approved**

SH 89/24

Council Co-option

One application was received.

Resolved: to co-opt Mr David Poulton to the Council.

SH 90/24

St Harmon Play Area

Resolved: to defer this matter to the September meeting.

SH 91/24

Community Events

a) Summer Party

Cllr Mills reported back on the success of this event. Between 100 and 120 people attended and everyone enjoyed the event. Unfortunately, this event clashed with 3 other major events locally. Cllr Mills thanked the volunteers who helped out at the event and those members who attended. Cllr Mills felt that the Council may wish to revisit the date for 2025 at a future meeting.

b) Community Show

Members agreed to have a stand at the Show and set up a rota for the event. The Council will meet on 1st August in the Community Hall at 7pm to display items on the boards for the show.

It was agreed to donate the money collected on the day to the Community Hall.

Cllr Mills will arrange this.

Resolved: to donate the £14 to the Community Hall.

SH 92/24

Community Woodland

Cllr Mills will obtain a quote for appropriate signage for the site and report back to the Council.

He had also received advice from the Woodland Trust about future maintenance of the Community Wood. He will also get some mulch for the woodland and do some weeding with community support.

Resolved: to purchase some mulch/bark.

SH 93/24

County Councillors Report

a) Rhayader Primary School

Cty Cllr Johnson-Wood advised members of a vacancy as an LEA Governor on Rhayader Primary School. Cllr Schmidt expressed an interest and requested more information.

SH 94/24

Other Matters

a) Public Notice

Temporary Road Closure: C1201 BWLCH-Y-SARNAU, RHAYADER (11-12 Jul 2024)

b) Training

Cllr Schmidt and Cllr McPhee will undertake Code of Conduct Training in August.

c) Council Property

Council items are stored at former Cllr Lowde's address. These will need to be removed as soon as possible. It was agreed to approach the Community Hall to ask for some storage space within their container.

Resolved: the Clerk will email Roger Mason to see if this is possible. Cllr Lewis will also speak to Roger at the next Committee meeting.

Former Cllr Lowde also has old minute books stored. The Clerk will contact The Radnorshire Society to ask if they wish to store them in their archive.

Resolved: Clerk to approach the Radnorshire Society.