

## Brecknockshire

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Meeting Venue  
**Committee Room - Neuadd  
Brycheiniog, Brecon, Powys**

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Meeting date  
**Wednesday, 19 July 2017**

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Meeting time  
**9.30 am**

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### AGENDA

<b>1.</b>	<b>APOLOGIES</b>
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To receive apologies for absence.

<b>2.</b>	<b>MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING</b>
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To authorise the Chairman to sign the minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee held on 25<sup>th</sup> January and 18<sup>th</sup> May 2017 as correct records.

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<b>3.</b>	<b>ROLE, REMIT AND PURPOSE</b>
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<b>4.</b>	<b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b>
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To receive declarations of interest from Members in relation to items on the agenda to be discussed.

<b>5.</b>	<b>CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>
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To receive announcements from the Chair.

<b>6.</b>	<b>REPORTS FROM AND QUESTIONS TO CABINET PORTFOLIO HOLDERS</b>
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To receive reports from, and put questions to, Cabinet Portfolio Holders:

- a. The Leader, County Councillor Rosemarie Harris
- b. The Portfolio Holder for Education, County Councillor Myfanwy Alexander

<b>7.</b>	<b>ROAD SAFETY AND TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT</b>
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To consider a report on the Brecon parking review 2.

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<b>8.</b>	<b>APPOINTMENTS TO WORKING GROUPS AND OUTSIDE BODIES</b>
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Brecon University Scholarship Fund – 2 members (Letter attached)

Local Development Plan Working Group – 2 members (Information about the working group attached)

Powys Community Endowment Fund – 2 members

Powys Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education – 1 member

Sportlot Community Chest - 1 member

Theatr Brycheiniog Board of Directors – 2 members (Details of meeting dates attached)

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<b>9.</b>	<b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b>
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To note the date of the next meeting: 11<sup>th</sup> October 2017. NOTE: this meeting will be followed by the Annual Garden Award presentation.

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BRECKNOCKSHIRE COMMITTEE  
HELD AT NEUADD BRYCHEINIOG, BRECON ON  
WEDNESDAY 25<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2017**

**Present:** County Councillor M.J. Dorrance – Vice-Chairman (in the Chair)

County Councillors P.J. Ashton, S.C. Davies, S. Davies, M.R. Harris, G.G. Hopkins, S. McNicholas, D.W. Meredith, W.D. Powell, D.R. Price, K.S. Silk, D.A. Thomas, D.G. Thomas, T.J. Van-Rees and D.H. Williams.

**In attendance:**

Councillor R.G. Brown – Deputy Leader/Cabinet Portfolio Holder: Commissioning and Procurement/Children’s Services

David Powell – Strategic Director: Resources, Martin Jones - NGA Programme Manager Wales – BT Group and Shane Thomas – Clerk.

<b>1.</b>	<b>APOLOGIES</b>	<b>BS1-2017</b>
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Apologies for absence were accepted from County Councillors G.W. Ratcliffe and S. Williams.

<b>2.</b>	<b>MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGs</b>	<b>BS2-2017</b>
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The Chairman was authorised to sign the minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee held on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2016.

<b>3.</b>	<b>CHAIRMAN’S ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>	<b>BS3-2017</b>
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In the absence of the Chairman the Vice-Chair raised the following matters:

- a. **Blaubeuren 750<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** – a number of members had received invites to attend a celebration at Blaubeuren to mark 750 years of the town (the earliest historical record of the town dated back to 1267). Celebrations would begin with a festive evening on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March. It would be usual for the Chair and/or Vice-Chair to attend twinning events, however, on this occasion neither would be able to. It was agreed to extend the invite to attend across the membership of the shire and that the Chair should be approached with regard to use of the Chairman’s fund to purchase a gift for sending to Blaubeuren to mark this special occasion. It would be usual for members attending to fund their own transport. Options to apply for EU grant funding to meet attendance costs would be explored
- b. **Brecon Barracks (Proposed Closure – 2027)** –the MOD had agreed to host a session this afternoon at Brecon Barracks from 2 p.m. The Town Council, Brecon Beacons National Parks and Brecknockshire members had been invited to attend

4.	<b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b>	<b>BS4-2017</b>
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There were no declarations of interest received from members in relation to items to be discussed on the agenda.

4a.	<b>SUPERFAST CYMRU</b>	<b>BS4a-2017</b>
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Members welcomed Martin Jones, NGA Programme Manager Wales – BT Group to the meeting to provide an update in relation to the roll out of Superfast Cymru. During discussion particular reference was made to:

- a. **Network** – to date the programme has delivered an improved network. Coverage across Wales is at 88.9% with access speeds of 24mb. The programme is on target to achieve 90% coverage across Wales by June. Coverage in Powys is at 62% and in Brecon and Radnor 63% are able to connect to fibre broadband
- b. **Comparative Costs/Access** – despite views to the contrary UK access to the web is very good and the costs are reasonably cheap compared to other EU countries
- c. **Connections** – dwellings which are within 3km of exchange boxes are connected, for dwellings that are in excess of 3km from exchanges it would be usual for there to be a fibre connection direct to the property. Where connection costs would exceed a set limit those areas would sit outside of the programme. Areas which sit outside of the programme would be considered and there are a range of options that could deliver a service i.e. community schemes etc. The programme recognises that 5% of Wales would not be connected due to cost i.e. very isolated dwellings
- d. **Wayleaves** – there are in the region of 29,000 properties where access to land and permissions from landowners has prevented the network being upgraded to allow for connections. The Welsh Government had been kept updated and would be working with BT to look to arrive at appropriate arrangements. The normal payment to the landowner for access would be in the region of £800. Where there are issues local members could help with arrangements for access and in talking to landowners
- e. **Developments** – developers should engage with BT at the onset. There would be no charge to introduce networks at new developments where there would be thirty or more dwellings, however, where developments have been undertaken and there had been no regard to network connections or engagement with BT there would be a charge
- f. **Bwlch** – the local member for Bwlch reported that there had been raised expectations in the area for years and numerous statements that fibre would be available. The community had been holding out for the programme to deliver better connections in the area, however, it is not clear whether the network would be upgraded and website updates seemed to be misleading. Martin agreed to check with the programme and to update the members
- g. **Cwmtwrch** – the local member requested detail in relation to the roll out of the programme in her area and in particular when networks would become available. Martin would report back
- h. **Talgarth** – a member reported that there were areas between good connections in Talgarth where access seemed to be much poorer and limited. Martin would review provision in the area but would welcome more detail from the member who raised the matter (Councillor Steve Davies). The member from Gwernyfed (Councillor Geraint Hopkins) also reported on areas of poor and limited access. Again, the member was encouraged to discuss the detail with Martin

- i. **Fibre Connections (Schools)** – a programme to connect all schools to ensure good access had been progressed by the Welsh Government some years ago
- j. **Delivery on the Programme (Welsh Government)** – despite damaging media reports regarding the programme and criticism of its delivery the Welsh Government had praised and recognised BT for the work it had undertaken to upgrade the network
- k. **Broadband Connections (Network Speeds)** – as people opt to move to fibre connections it would free space on older networks, however, the benefit of fewer users accessing the older network would be minimal. A fibre solution would be the best option for speedy access

<b>5.</b>	<b>REPORTS FROM AND QUESTIONS TO CABINET PORTFOLIO HOLDERS</b>	<b>BS5-2017</b>
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Members welcomed the opportunity to receive reports from, and to put questions to, Cabinet Portfolio Holders.

**a. Councillor Graham Brown – Deputy Leader/Cabinet Portfolio Holder: Commissioning and Procurement and Children’s Services**

- i. **Libraries (Co-location with the Department for Work and Pensions)** – the Department for Work and Pensions had approach the Authority with a view to locating at library sites in Ystradgynlais, Newtown and Llandrindod. Local member would be kept updated and informed. A member suggested introducing coffee facilities at Ystradgynlais library, the Portfolio Holder would raise the matter with the relevant manager
- ii. **Llanwrtyd Library** – the local member urged the speedy delivery of training by the Authority to volunteers in order that they could staff the library and meet the standards imposed by the Welsh Government in order to retain the facility
- iii. **Hay-on-Wye Library (The Book Town)** – there had been significant objections locally with regard to reviewing provision. The Portfolio Holder confirmed that the proposal had been to move the library so that would operate from a new school site once it had been built. Hours of operating etc. would need to be considered. The Authority had attempted to engage with the community regarding an asset transfer. To date the Town Council had indicated an interest, however, proposals had not been received. A local group had arranged a public meeting on Monday of next week to discuss matters but had done so without engaging with the Council, the Portfolio Holder could not attend the date which had been by the group
- iv. **Commercial Services** – the Commercial Services Team continues to support services in reviewing spends and delivering on the commissioning and procurement approach. In this regard the team has supported delivering on savings running into the millions. There had been a focus on reviewing the 3<sup>rd</sup> party spend which is in the region of £140 million per annum. More recently the payment system had been reviewed. Members were informed that it costs the Authority in excess of £40 to raise an invoice and recover funds and that we issue around 100,000 invoices per annum
- v. **Theatr Brycheiniog / Coliseum** – there had been an issue in that the local cinema (the Coliseum) had expressed concern with regard to Theatr Brycheiniog applying to show film. The Portfolio Holder would be meeting with both organisations later to discuss the matter. Whilst understanding the position with

- the local cinema it was reported that the theatre would be looking to show non-mainstream films which would not impact on the cinema and its profits
- vi. **Children's Services** – Amanda Lewis had recently left the Authority, Amanda held the position of Strategic Director: People which included Director of Social Services. In the light of the position Carol Shillabeer, Director of the Health Board had assumed the role of Director of Social Services and Phil Hodgson had been appointed Head of Operations for Social Services. The arrangement was cost neutral. There had been recent changes with a view to strengthening arrangements for supporting children which included a move to locality based services (multi-agency teams). The position would be monitored and there are significant benefits to be achieved through working locally and across agencies (there are four locality teams operating in Powys). The Portfolio Holder suggested an update on the structure and arrangements for the local delivery of services to the next meeting or possibly to the new Council after May
  - vii. **Fostering Services** – support for foster carers had been strengthened in a bid to provide a better service for those operating within Powys. It's very important to provide a strong support network in order to build provision and reduce the use of agencies. The Portfolio Holder assured members that he had been re-assured that changes introduced to support foster caring (which had also delivered on savings) had maintained, even improved, levels of service. Members were reminded that the focus would always be on retaining, and improving, levels of service. Quality and levels of service are monitored with service user input
  - viii. **Welsh Speaking Educational Psychologists** – a member requesting an update in relation to recruitment issues was urged to contact the portfolio holder for education (Councillor Arwel Jones)
  - ix. **Welsh Government Funding (Autism)** – a member referred to the Welsh Government having provided targeted funding some years back to support autism services. The member expects the Welsh Government to seek reassurance shortly regarding the use of funds provided for such purposes
  - x. **Out of County Placements** – placements would be used as required. In most situations placements in county or close to the home were preferred
  - xi. **Respite (Camlais/Bannau – Brecon)** – spare capacity at both sites would be made available for purchase and could become an income stream

**b. Councillor Rosemarie Harris – Cabinet Portfolio Holder: Property, Housing, Catering and Cleaning, Armed Forces, Business and Customer Services and Standards/Monitoring Officer**

- i. **Property** – officers are continuing to consider options for the property portfolio which include sale, investment, leasing etc. Local members would be engaged in relation to considerations for their areas. The Portfolio Holder informed members that she chairs the Authority's Strategic Asset Management Board
- i. **StAMP (Strategic Asset Management Plan)** – members had been invited to attend StAMP meetings to discuss options for the management/treatment of properties/assets. Members were urged to attend meetings to input
- ii. **Agile Working** – the programme would be progressed in order to support accommodation reviews and provide a better experience for those employees who would benefit from working this way. Members were encouraged to visit an agile working space which was on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Powys County Hall to view arrangements
- iii. **Ladywell House, Newtown** – the Council would be looking to purchase the premise. There are letting options and the Council would be sharing the building

with a tenant. Councillor David Price, Chair of the Planning Committee reminded members of the difficulties with Welshpool and the facilities in terms of public access to Neuadd Maldwyn. Ladywell House could offer an alternative option which might be more appropriate for such events

- iv. **Brecon Cultural Hub** – officers are supporting the creation of the hub which would be a £10 million project within Brecon town. There are issues relating to the building being ‘grade 2 and listed’ which would need to be regarded
- v. **Archives** – the Authority had been found failing in its archive provision and had undertaken significant capital works to upgrade facilities at Ddole Road, Llandrindod Wells. Members were encouraged to visit the facility
- vi. **Judge’s Lodgings (Presteigne)** – the lodgings had been offered for asset transfer and a Trustee group had entered into an agreement with the Council for the site. The Authority had provided £50k to undertake much needed capital works which included a significant sum for the roof
- vii. **Gypsy and Travellers** – the Authority had been found lacking in its provision to meet the recognised need. Further units would be provided using Welsh Government funding at Brecon (3 additional units), Welshpool and Machynlleth. Arrangement for planning to provide a temporary stopping site for travellers for the annual Royal Welsh Show had proven very positive (the Council and Royal Welsh Agricultural Society fund the site equally). The local member for Llanfan-fawr praised arrangements and the planned approach
- viii. **Right to Buy** – the previous application to the Welsh Government to suspend the right to buy had been unsuccessful. A further application, supported by housing associations, had been submitted and it’s hoped that this application would be approved
- ix. **Affordable Housing** – there’s a recognised shortfall in affordable housing. The Authority had been working with property owners with a view making properties available for rent. The Portfolio Holder agreed to link with the Ministry of Defence with regard to options for housing that becomes available

Members **RESOLVED** to exclude the public for the following item of business on the grounds that there would be disclosure to them of exempt information under category 3 of The Local Authorities (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007)

- x. **Joint Venture Company** – members requested a Council seminar or similar in order that they be updated on progress given that the position was unclear. During discussion it was reported that officers were in negotiations with Kier regarding contract detail. Members requested scrutiny of the contract prior to any award and expressed concern regarding the absence of member involvement in the tendering and award process. The Strategic Director reminded members that they were removed from tendering and award process for due reason and in accordance with commissioning and procurement guidance/legislation

Members **RESOLVED** to move back into public session for the remainder of the meeting.

- xi. **Older People’s Accommodation** – the Council has in the region of 2000 designated dwellings and would be looking to provide to meet the need
- xii. **Supporting Local Businesses/Loan Scheme** – when considering build projects there would be as strong focus on supporting local tradesmen etc. The Portfolio Holder confirmed that an agreement had been entered into to ensure the use of

- local timber in relation to some developments. The Council also operates a loan scheme which developers could access
- xiii. **Syrian Refugees** – the Council would play its part in re-settling Syrian refugees in line with a national programme. There are two accepting areas (Newtown and Ystradgynlais). Communities in both areas had been very welcoming
  - xiv. **Armed Forces Covenant** – the Portfolio Holder chairs the Covenant Board. The Board can provide funding to support activities which link to the forces (serving, ex-serving and forces families/communities). It would be important to maximise the drawdown of funding to support Powys projects. There are two funding streams, one for projects of a value of up to £20k, the other up to £200k
  - xv. **Catering and Cleaning Services** – the service has an annual budget of in the region of £6million. The service continues to be recognised and has received a number of high level awards. It was reported that catering services and facilities provided at the offices of the Council would be under review i.e. canteen facilities in Brecon were being considered and coffee machines from offices would be removed across all sites. It was felt by members that the canteen facility at Neuadd Brycheiniog could be made available for use by the general public and promoted locally
  - xvi. **Cashless System for Schools (Business Services)** – business services are supporting the roll out of school cashless payment systems which have proven positive and welcome. The roll out would focus on high schools first then be introduced in the primary sector
  - xvii. **Maintenance and Upkeep of Council Estates** – the focus of efforts continues to be on delivering improvements in order to meet requirements under the Welsh Housing Quality Standard. Although estate maintenance and upkeep work is important it would be prioritised after WHQS work
  - xviii. **Garage Rentals** - there are different arrangements in different areas for reviewing Council garage space (some have been levelled to make space for parking, others sold, some rented out etc.). In some areas there are concerns regarding the rental of garages by people who are not local. The Portfolio Holder agreed to request an update on the operation of garages (by area) from the Head of Service (Simon Inkson) in order to update those members who have garages in their wards
  - xix. **Housing (Schools/Cemeteries)** – there are properties which historically were linked to schools/cemeteries etc. and sit outside of the general housing portfolio which have come into disrepair and could be made available for social housing i.e. old caretaker houses and cemetery keepers. It was felt by members with dwellings in their wards that the Council should review them with a view to making them available. The Portfolio Holder agreed to raise the matter with the Head of Housing
  - xx. **Universal Credit** – a member requested detail in relation to rent arrears in terms of whether the Authority had identified any link between arrears and the introduction of universal credit (universal credit would see one benefit payment to the head of household). Also, where the Authority would support those in receipt of benefits and were experiencing difficulties
  - xxi. **Brecon Cultural Hub** – during works asbestos had been exposed. There would be a significant cost of in the region of £207k to remove it. In the light of the position the matter would be discussed at tomorrow's Council meeting. It was noted that the Regimental Museum of the Royal Welsh would be entering into an agreement to provide taster exhibits at the new site once open/in use. The regeneration benefit to Brecon Town and the immediate community during the



build phase would be recognised (local employment etc.). A member requested details of schemes and how the local economy would be engaged/supported  
xxii. **Rorkes Drift** – there had been an approach by KwaZulu, South Africa to enter into a twinning arrangement on a national level to recognise the war back in 1879. It is likely that there would be media attention etc.

Members thanked the Portfolio Holders for their updates and for responding to issues raised.

<b>6.</b>	<b>REPORTS FROM AND QUESTIONS TO MEMBERS SERVING ON OUTSIDE BODIES</b>	<b>BS6-2017</b>
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Members welcomed the opportunity to receive reports from, and to put questions to, members serving on outside bodies.

a. **Brecon and Radnorshire Sports Partnership** – while recognising the request to appoint to the position following the resignation of Councillor York as County Councillor for Builth Wells it was agreed that it should be for the new Council to appoint after the May elections. The clerk would inform those who support the partnership.

<b>7.</b>	<b>CORRESPONDENCE</b>	<b>BS7-2017</b>
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There were no items of correspondence.

<b>8.</b>	<b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b>	<b>BS8-2017</b>
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The next meeting would be held on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2017.

**County Councillor M.J. Dorrance**  
**Vice-Chairman**  
**(in the Chair)**

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**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BRECKNOCKSHIRE HELD AT COMMITTEE ROOM A - COUNTY HALL, LLANDRINDOD WELLS, POWYS ON THURSDAY, 18 MAY 2017**

**PRESENT**

County Councillor M J Dorrance, Chair

County Councillors J Charlton, S C Davies, E Durrant, J Evans, L Fitzpatrick, M R Harris, K Laurie-Parry, S Lewis, S McNicholas, DW Meredith, JG Morris, WD Powell, D R Price, J Pugh, G W Ratcliffe, E Roderick, K S Silk, D A Thomas, T J Van-Rees, D H Williams, R Williams and S L Williams

<b>1.</b>	<b>ELECTION OF CHAIR</b>
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**RESOLVED** that County Councillor M J Dorrance be elected Chair for the ensuing year.

<b>2.</b>	<b>ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR</b>
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**RESOLVED** that County Councillor R H Williams be elected Vice Chair for the ensuing year.

<b>3.</b>	<b>NOMINATION FOR VICE-CHAIR OF COUNCIL</b>
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**RESOLVED** that County Councillor D Meredith be Brecknockshire's nomination for Vice Chair of County Council.

<b>4.</b>	<b>APOLOGIES</b>
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There were no apologies for absence.

**County Councillor M J Dorrance**

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**CYNGOR SIR POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL.****BRECONSHIRE COMMITTEE  
19<sup>th</sup> JULY 2017****REPORT AUTHOR:** Jo Lancey**SUBJECT:** Parking Review 2, Brecon

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**REPORT FOR:** **Decision / Discussion / Information**

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**Summary**

Following the Public Consultation of Brecon Parking Review 2, a number of objections and letters of support were received.

**Spur off Silver Street**

The proposed restrictions were to cover both sides of the entire length of the spur. There were 3 objections received. During discussions and site meetings with members during the review process, the main concern was the lack of visibility when vehicles were parked close to the junction with Silver Street, and PCC would take into account the objections raised, a minimum of 15 metres of prohibition of waiting At Any Time from the junction with silver street should remain in the proposals

**Cradoc Road**

There was 1 objection received to the proposals on Cradoc Road. The basis was mainly that it is utilised by residents, who would have to park elsewhere. The objector also mentioned that traffic speeds would increase when the parked cars were removed.

It is possible that traffic speeds would increase, but visibility for vehicles exiting Prospect place is very limited due to the boundary wall of 28 Prospect Place. The further hazard of vehicles traveling south east having to position themselves on the wrong side of the carriageway due to parked cars is a significant concern.

**Bryn De Winton**

Only 1 objection was received to the proposal on Bryn de Winton, with the basis being that customers wouldn't be able to park outside the spar store. However, when parking occurs at this location it makes negotiating the hill and in particular the double bend at the top hazardous to drivers and pedestrians alike.

**Cerrigcochion Road**

This proposal was supported in 4 letters with one objection. The basis being the displacement of vehicles to neighbouring streets. Whilst officers

empathise with this, it has no bearing on highway safety or the obstruction of the free flow of traffic along Cerrigochion Road.

#### School Gardens

There were 3 letters of support received for these proposals.

#### Camden Crescent

There were 6 letters supporting the proposals on Camden Crescent, 2 other letters were received, and whilst they weren't objections they requested residents parking and reduced car parking charges.

#### Little Free Street

One letter of support was received for the proposals in Little Free Street

There were no comments regarding the proposals in Eyrie Oaks or Pendre

#### **Proposal**

It is proposed partially uphold the objections in the spur off Silver street and reduce the length of restriction to 15 metres from its junction with Silver Street and implement the amendment. It is also proposed to over-rule all other objections and to implement them as advertised.

#### **One Powys Plan**

Stronger, Safer & Economically Viable Communities – The proposal will help prevent the regularly occurring inconsiderate parking, whilst still allowing some on street parking in areas that won't cause obstruction to the free flow of traffic.

#### **Options Considered/Available**

Option 1 Uphold all of the objections. This would remove the spur off Silver Street, Bryn De Winton and Cerrigochion Road from the proposal;s

Option 2 Over-rule all of the objections and implement the proposals advertised

Option 3 Partially uphold the objection to the Spur off Silver Street, and over-rule all of the other objections.

#### **Preferred Choice and Reasons**

The preferred choice would be Option 3. This will prevent inconsiderate parking at all of the key locations, whilst allowing some on-street parking along the spur off Silver Street.

#### **Sustainability and Environmental Issues/Equalities/Crime and Disorder,/Welsh Language/Other Policies etc**

Not Applicable

#### **Children and Young People's Impact Statement - Safeguarding and Wellbeing**

Not Applicable

**Local Member(s)**

Cllr Matthew Dorrance

The Area Traffic Engineer has put together the Traffic Order proposals for St John Ward following representations from residents.

I have met with the Area Traffic Engineer on site at the three St John Ward locations and to discuss the objections received in relation to the Cradoc Road and the Bryn de Winton proposal.

After balancing the two objections against professional advice and my community's concerns, I am content for the proposals to go to Brecknockshire Committee for decision.

Cllr David Meredith

I support the recommendation contained in the report with regard to Silver Street, Llanfaes.

Cllr Sarah Lewis

I am more than happy to go with Option 3, as I feel that these proposals will be of great benefit to the people of the town. I understand that there is a small amount of opposition to some proposals and I hope that the residents who wrote those letters will eventually see that their concerns were unfounded. I think that this has been handled very well by you and your department. I'm looking forward to hearing when these will take place.

**Other Front Line Services**

Not Applicable

**Support Services (Legal, Finance, Corporate Property, HR, ICT, Business Services)**

The Finance Business Partner Place notes the contents of the report, any costs incurred would be funded from within the current HTR revenue budget.

The Solicitor - Highways and Enforcement has no comment on the report.

**Local Service Board/Partnerships/Stakeholders etc**

Not Applicable

**Corporate Communications**

The report is of public interest and requires use of news release and social media to publicise the decision.

### **Statutory Officers**

The Strategic Director Resources (S151 Officer) notes the comments made by Finance

### **Members' Interests**

The Monitoring Officer is not aware of any specific interests that may arise in relation to this report. If Members have an interest they should declare it at the start of the meeting and complete the relevant notification form.

### **Future Status of the Report**

Not Applicable

<b>Recommendation:</b>	<b>Reason for Recommendation:</b>
1. To partially uphold the objection to the spur off Silver Street and to over-rule all of the remaining objections and implement the Order	To prevent inconsiderate parking and reduce congestion throughout Brecon.

<b>Relevant Policy (ies):</b>			
<b>Within Policy:</b>	Y / N	<b>Within Budget:</b>	Y / N

<b>Relevant Local Member(s):</b>	<b>Cllr David Meredith, Cllr Matthew Dorrance, Cllr Sarah Lewis</b>
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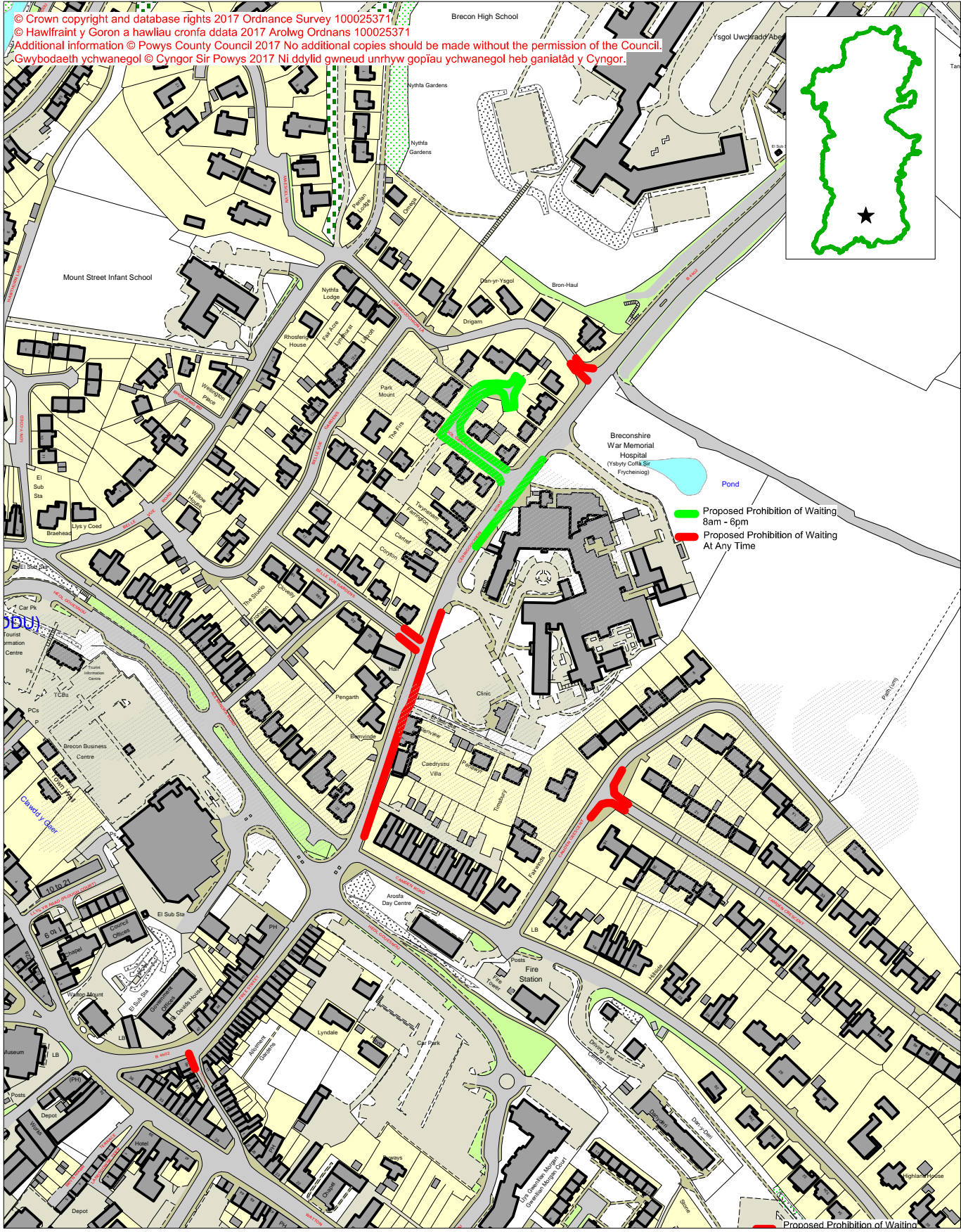
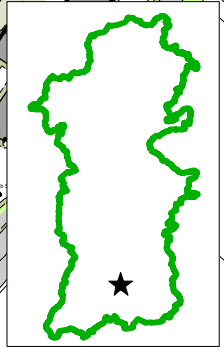
<b>Person(s) To Implement Decision:</b>	
<b>Date By When Decision To Be Implemented:</b>	

<b>Contact Officer Name:</b>	<b>Tel:</b>	<b>Fax:</b>	<b>Email:</b>
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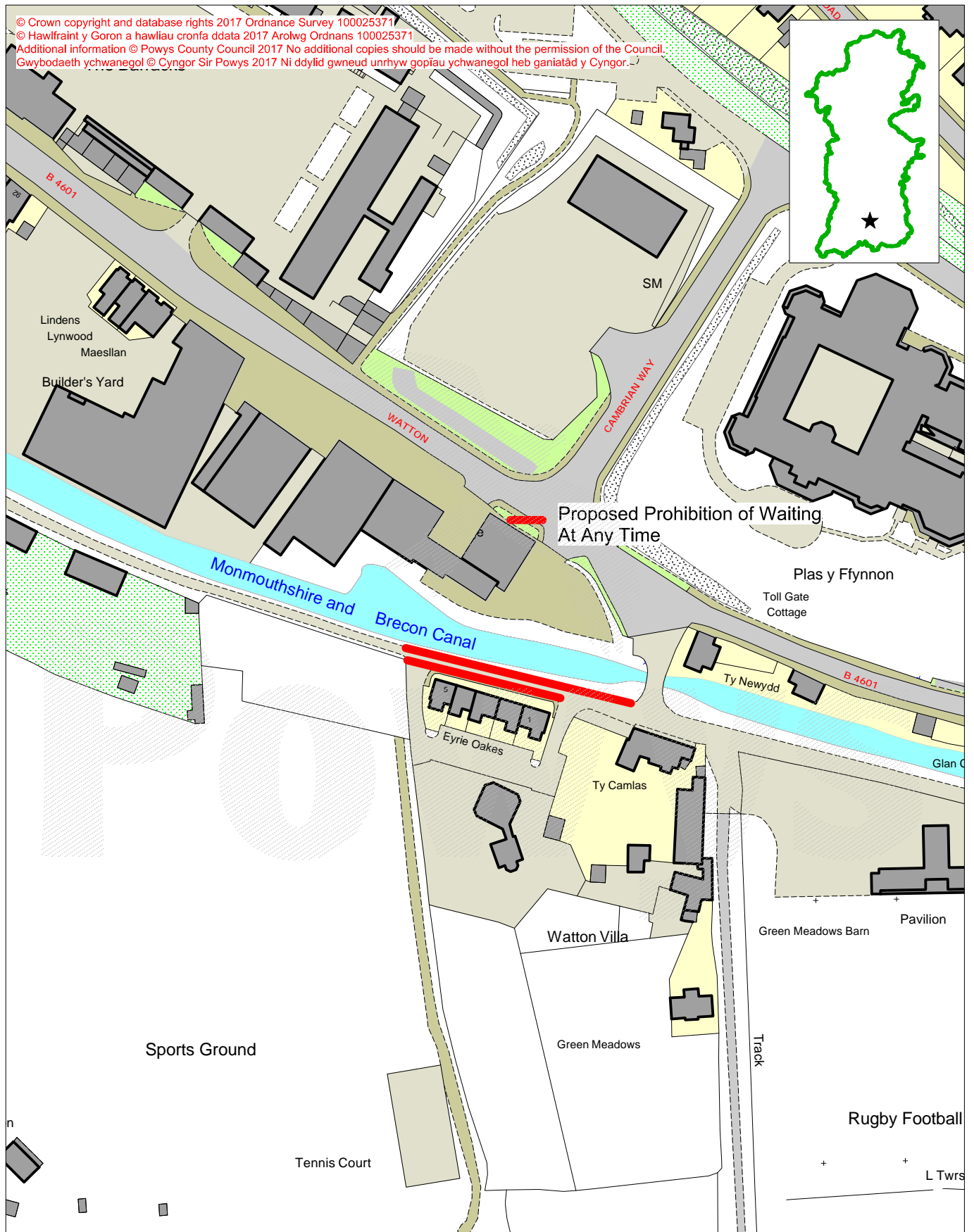
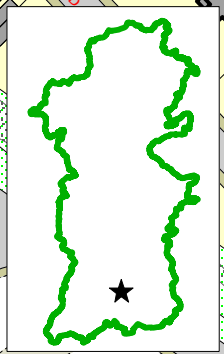
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Proposed Prohibition of Waiting  
 8am - 6pm  
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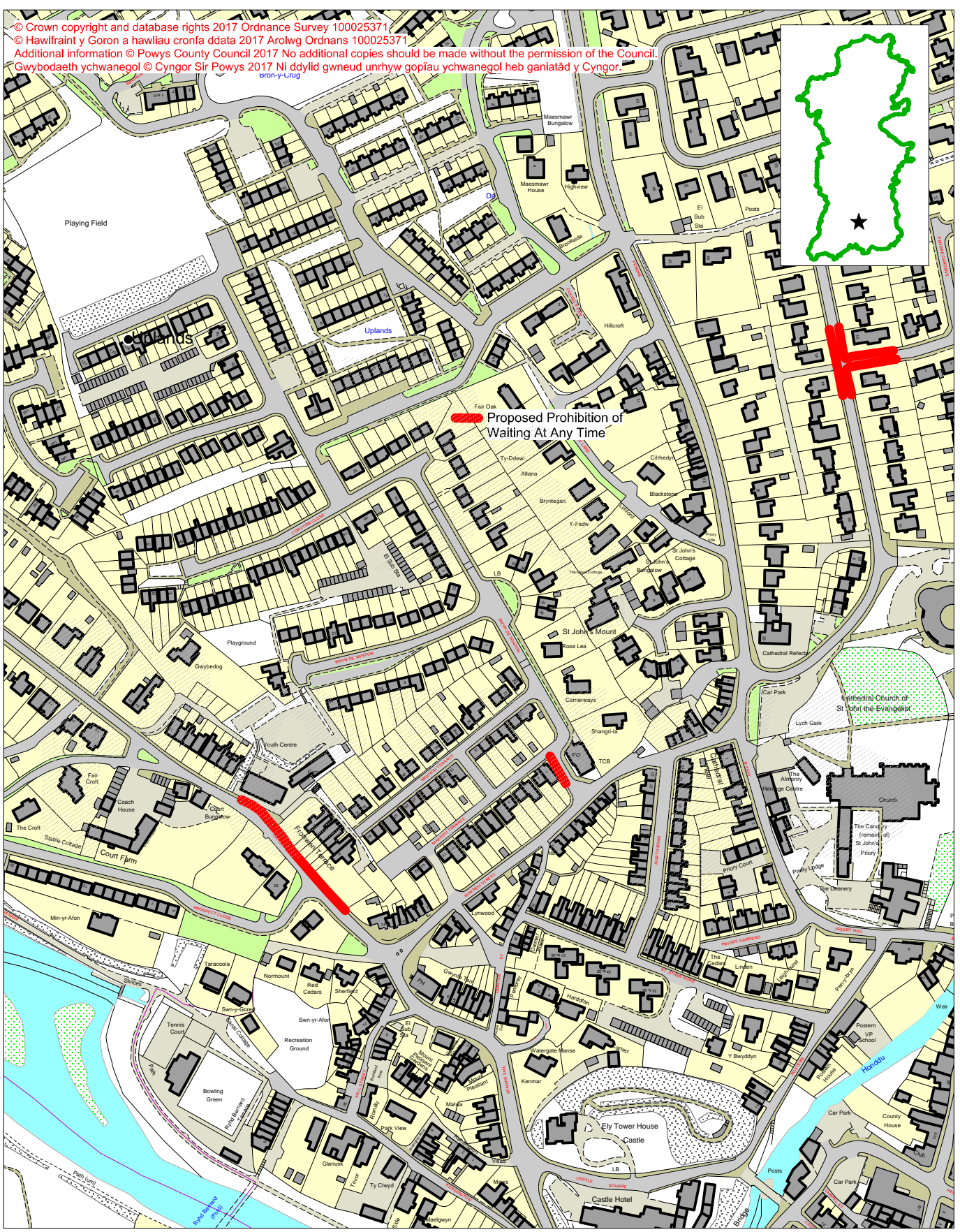
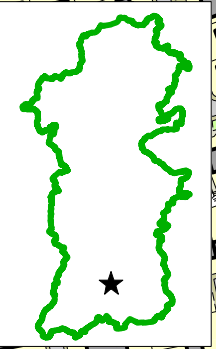
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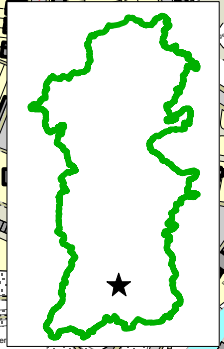
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**BRECON COUNTY UNIVERSITY  
SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

*Tel / Ffôn:*

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*Date / Dyddiad:* **31<sup>st</sup> May 2017**

Dear Steve

The Trustees of the above Charity Fund consist of three members of the public from the Brecon area and two County Councillors.

The three appointees are Mr. M. Kerr, Mr. D. Jones – Powell and Mr. R. Watson.

The appointees from the Council were Cllr T.J. Van Rees (the current Chairman) and Cllr P. Ashton.

Following the County Council elections I would be grateful if you will arrange for the appointment / re-appointment of two Councillors.

The Trustees meet once a year at Neuadd Brycheiniog to agree the distribution of funds to students attending Cardiff University and who live in the former Brecknock Borough area.

Yours sincerely

David Parsons

Secretary to the Trustees

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## **SHIRE COMMITTEES**

### **Introduction to the Local Development Plan (LDP) Working Group**

#### **The Powys Local Development Plan**

Planning legislation in Wales requires Local Planning Authorities to prepare a Local Development Plan (LDP), which once adopted will replace the existing development plan, which in the case of Powys is the Powys Unitary Development Plan. The Powys LDP covers all of Powys except for those parts of the county located within the Brecon Beacons National Park, which are covered by the Brecon Beacons National Park LDP (2013).

The Powys LDP sets out the Council's strategy for the sustainable development of the area and safeguarding of the environment in relation to the development and use of land up to 2026.

The LDP aims to meet the housing, employment, retail, tourism, recreation, infrastructure, services and other needs of Powys over the Plan period (2011-2016). It proposes to direct growth to the most sustainable settlements whilst also managing development in less sustainable locations in order to meet the needs of local communities. The LDP also seeks to ensure protection of the natural, built and historic environment of the county, such as the native wildlife and habitats, natural resources, and outstanding landscape and heritage of the area, along with the Welsh language and culture.

The LDP contains local planning policies that will be used to make decisions on proposals for development (planning applications) in the area and will be used to determine where certain types of development should or should not be allowed. It also identifies proposed sites (allocations) for housing, employment and retail development, which have been assessed as being suitable in principle for development and also deliverable within the Plan period.

The policies and proposals of the Plan are designed to deliver and implement the Plan's strategy, and this will be monitored on an annual basis following adoption of the LDP by the Council. The Local Planning Authority will be required to undertake a review of the LDP within 4 years following adoption of the LDP.

#### **Progress of the LDP**

The Council has submitted the LDP to the Welsh Government for examination by an independent Inspector, Mrs Nicola Gulley, who has been appointed to determine whether the LDP is sound. In March to May this year, the Inspector conducted public hearing sessions as part of the LDP examination, which involved discussions on certain matters and issues with the Council and other participants who had

requested to participate. This included the Welsh Government, other bodies (Natural Resources Wales, CPRW, Community Councils, etc), developers and members of public who have made representations objecting or requesting changes to the LDP.

Hearing sessions in relation to Renewable Energy are due to take place on the 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> of June at the New Life Church, Llandrindod Wells. These are followed by a hearing session on Monitoring on the 29<sup>th</sup> of June at the Media Resource Centre, Llandrindod Wells.

A further hearing session between the Inspector and the Council is also scheduled for the 21<sup>st</sup> of July in order to discuss Matters Arising Changes (MACs) to the LDP. MACs are further changes to the LDP that have arisen following discussions at the hearing sessions and action points set by the Inspector for the Council (and sometimes others involved). A formal 6 week public consultation on the proposed MACs to the LDP is due to take place during late Summer/early Autumn of this year.

After the hearings, the Inspector will prepare a report which will set out any recommended changes required to the LDP and conclusions as to the soundness of the LDP. Providing that the Inspector concludes that the LDP is sound and can be safely adopted, the LDP will proceed to adoption, which is likely to take place in early 2018. Adoption of the LDP is a decision to be made by the Full Council.

### **The role of the LDP Working Group**

The LDP Working Group was initially established in 2007 and comprises 9 Members in total made up of 3 Cabinet Members, 2 Brecknockshire Committee Members, 2 Radnorshire Committee Members and 2 Montgomeryshire Committee Members. It is an internal Officer-Member Working Group that meets to oversee and consider in detail the preparation of the LDP and to make recommendations to the Council's Cabinet.

The LDP's Delivery Agreement explains how the LDP Working Group and other stakeholders will be involved in the LDP process. At meetings of the LDP Working Group, Officers provide updates on progress with the LDP and also report responses to public consultations to the Working Group. Matters such as public consultation, draft revisions to the policies of the LDP, additional work and procedural matters are discussed and agreed by the Working Group. Members of the working group are also expected to feedback the matters agreed to other members of the Council.

Going forward Members of the LDP Working Group will be involved in the Matters Arising Changes and adoption stages of the process. Following the adoption of the LDP, Members will be involved in preparation of Supplementary Planning Guidance, along with processes involved in the Annual Monitoring Report and the Review of the LDP.

### **Useful information**

LDP website:

<http://www.powys.gov.uk/en/planning-building-control/local-development-plan/>

LDP Working Group:

<http://powys.moderngov.co.uk/mgCommitteeDetails.aspx?ID=146>

LDP Delivery Agreement:

[http://www.powys.gov.uk/fileadmin/TranslatedDocs/Planning/ldp/LDP\\_Examination/Core\\_Docs/Powys\\_LDP\\_Delivery\\_Agreement\\_Oct\\_2015.pdf](http://www.powys.gov.uk/fileadmin/TranslatedDocs/Planning/ldp/LDP_Examination/Core_Docs/Powys_LDP_Delivery_Agreement_Oct_2015.pdf)

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) Factsheet in relation to Renewable Energy:

[http://pstatic.powys.gov.uk/fileadmin/Docs/Planning/LDP/LDP\\_2015/LDP\\_Stages/2016\\_Further\\_Focussed\\_Changes/FAQ\\_-\\_LDP\\_V4\\_25-5-17.pdf](http://pstatic.powys.gov.uk/fileadmin/Docs/Planning/LDP/LDP_2015/LDP_Stages/2016_Further_Focussed_Changes/FAQ_-_LDP_V4_25-5-17.pdf)

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### Board, F&HR, Buildings and H&S Committee Meetings 2017/18

<b>Month</b>	<b>Board At 7.00pm</b>	<b>F&amp;HR Committee At 10.30am</b>	<b>Building Committee At 2.00pm</b>	<b>H&amp;S Committee At 3.00pm</b>	<b>Trust AGM At 6.30pm</b>
<b>April 2017</b>		Weds 26	Tue 11		
<b>May 2017</b>	Tue 23			Mon 8	
<b>June 2017</b>		Weds 28	Tue 13		
<b>July 2017</b>	Tue 25			Mon 3	
<b>August 2017</b>		Weds 30	Tue 8		
<b>September 2017</b>	Tue 26			Mon 11	
<b>October 2017</b>		Weds 25	Tue 10		
<b>November 2017</b>	Tue 28			Mon 6	
<b>December 2017</b>		Weds 20	Tue 12		Thur 14
<b>January 2018</b>	Tue 30			Mon 15	
<b>February 2018</b>		Weds 28	Tue 13		
<b>March 2018</b>	Tue 27			Mon 12	

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