

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING, TAXI LICENSING & RIGHTS OF WAY COMMITTEE HELD AT BY TEAMS ON THURSDAY, 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

PRESENT

County Councillor K Lewis (Chair)

County Councillors G Jones, L George, E M Jones, M J Jones, F H Jump, H Lewis, D R Price, K Laurie-Parry, P C Pritchard, G Pugh, D Selby, K S Silk, L Skilton, E Vaughan, M Weale, G I S Williams, D H Williams and J Wilkinson

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from County Councillors L V Corfield and R Williams.

2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Chair was authorised to sign as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 9 September 2021.

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3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- (a) County Councillor K Laurie-Parry declared a prejudicial interest in application 21/0583/FUL.
- (b) The Committee noted that no Member requested that a record be made of their membership of a Community Council where discussion had taken place of matters for the consideration of this Committee.
- (c) County Councillor K Laurie-Parry (who is a member of the Committee) declared that she would be acting as 'local representative' in respect of application 21/0583/FUL.
- (d) The Committee noted that no Member (who is not a member of the Committee) would be speaking as the 'local representative' in respect of any application on the agenda.

4. PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE

The Committee considered the report of the Head of Property, Planning and Public Protection (copies filed with the signed minutes).

4.1 Updates

There were no updates.

County Councillor K Laurie-Parry left the meeting and re-joined via the telephone.

4.2 21/0583/FUL Former Bronllys CP School, Bronllys, Brecon, Powys, LD3 0HP

Grid Ref:	E: 314200 N: 234827
Valid Date:	19/04/21
Community Council:	Bronllys Community Council
Applicant:	Powys County Council
Location:	Former Bronllys CP School, Bronllys, Brecon, Powys, LD3 0HP
Proposal:	Residential development of 17 dwellings and all associated works
Application Type:	Full application

County Councillor K Laurie-Parry spoke as the local representative.
Mr M Bouette spoke against the application.
Mr B Davies spoke as the agent.

It was noted that two committee members had experienced technical issues. In response to a question from the Solicitor County Councillor E M Jones advised that he had heard all the speakers and confirmed that he would continue as a decision maker. County Councillor F Jump advised that she had not heard all the speakers and would therefore not be a decision maker.

In response to questions regarding the location of the child's play roundabout the Senior Planning Officer advised that if the Committee was minded to approve the application a condition was recommended regarding the location of the child's play roundabout.

In respect of phosphates the Professional Lead – Planning advised that the Talgarth wastewater treatment works could already strip out phosphates and that there were plans to upgrade this works. Senior The Planning Officer in response to questions about parking facilities advised that the six current parking spaces would be retained and that each new dwelling would have off road parking. The Highways Officer advised the current parking was for existing residents.

In response to questions regarding the village green application the Professional Lead – Planning advised that this would be considered under separate statutory legislation. If the Committee was minded to approve the planning application, development could not commence until the village green application had been considered.

It was moved and duly seconded to approve the application as recommended by the officer.

RESOLVED:	Reason for decision:
that the application be granted	As officer's recommendation as

consent, subject to the conditions set out in the report which is filed with the signed minutes.

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5. DECISIONS OF THE HEAD OF PROPERTY, PLANNING AND PUBLIC PROTECTION ON DELEGATED APPLICATIONS

The Committee received for information a list of decisions made by the Head of Property, Planning and Public Protection during the period between 1 September 2021 and 21 September 2021.

6. COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Chair welcomed the Head of Legal and Democratic Services to the meeting.

The Committee noted the Portfolio Holder’s response to a question regarding blended meetings, whereby some meeting participants could be in County Hall and others could be in other locations including their own homes. Comment was made that some members would prefer to meet in County Hall, online meetings saved members travelling and covid infection rates were still high. In response to a question about how speakers viewed online meetings it was noted that when online meetings were first used, speakers were asked for feedback on the process of accessing the meetings. This was generally positive.

The concerns about the implications of the new legislation for remote meetings on community councils was noted by the Head of Legal and Democratic Services. The Head of Legal and Democratic Services advised that 19 people could be accommodated in the Chamber in County Hall based on the current Welsh Government guidelines and that the facility had no windows and used mechanical ventilation.

County Councillor K Lewis (Chair)