

MINUTES

Letterston Community Council Meeting

**7:30pm Monday 15th November 2021 held at Letterston Community Hall,
with members joining remotely by Zoom Meeting**

Present: Cllrs R Davies (RD)(Chair), P West (PW), H Johnson (HJ), B Morgan, (BM), A Adams (AA), G Thomas (GT), B Homer (BH), G Humphrey (GH), J Williams, M Bateman (PCC)(MB(JW), S Jones (Clerk) (SJ), A Sharp, Letterston FC (part)(AS)

Apologies S Millichip

The meeting commenced with Mr A Sharp of Letterston FC attending to answer any questions about the proposed development.

- **21/04 Football Clubhouse:** AS outlined that formal approval was required from LCC over the lease. PW outlined that the existing lease was essentially lapsed, but there should be no difficulties in creating a new lease, subject to any queries tonight. AS stated that there was some existing funding, but formal fundraising could not go ahead until formal arrangements, such as planning were in place. He hoped that the project would have a broad appeal to various elements in the village, which may involve an element of sub-letting to cover costs. PW had received a reply from One Voice Wales that there were no issues with a commercial lease on the land. **P** AA, **S** BM that the outline proposal be approved.[ONGOING]

21/64 Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting - 18th October 2021 were read and accepted as a true record **P** BM **S** HJ

Matters Arising

- **18/30 A40 Crossing:** No update from WG, SJ to chase [ONGOING]
- **19/06 Play Park Equipment:** A deposit of £18,332 has been paid and siting to be discussed with the firm [ONGOING]
- **19/29 Memorial Bench:** Compliments received regarding the siting of a bench for Remembrance Sunday, which has since been moved. SJ requested to source another bench for placing next to the Cenotaph [ONGOING]
- **19/46 Recycle Bins:** SJ to chase [ONGOING]
- **20/20 Trecwn Bridge:** A reply had been received from PCC that despite any concerns, the latest inspection report, dated May 2021 took precedence. The SWTRA enquiry had been passed onto WG who had not yet replied and further action would then be decided. A further reply had been received from Valley Management Services was also noted. [ONGOING]
- **20/21 Fireworks:** Congratulations for a very good display. Takings were up at £545. Some parking issues encountered. Same display to be sourced for next year. [CLOSE]
- **20/43 & 20/83 Pavement Nantyffynon / St Davids Road:** Site visit arranged for 11:00 Tuesday 30th November[ONGOING]
- **20/103 Parking St Davids Road:** Will be discussed with 20/43 above [ONGOING]
- **20/112 Dog Fouling:** Discussion around siting of signs. The Football Club have also upgraded their CCTV. PCC enforcement was discussed. Payment approved for erecting posts for signs. [ONGOING]

- **21/13 Commons Wall:** Completed, approval to pay contractor. [CLOSE]
- **21/14 Derelict Cottage:** SJ to chase with PCC who are appointing an Empty Homes Officer. [ONGOING]
- **21/29 Pothole:** Contractor has attended. [CLOSE]
- **21/37 Village Flag:** A range of designs was displayed for members. Agreed to put online for members to vote for their favourite by next meeting. [ONGOING]
- **21/39 Hedge on A40:** Has been attended to [CLOSE]
- **21/42 Queens Platinum Jubilee** The organisers suggest that a piper be approached to play a tune specially commissioned for the day. [ONGOING]
- **21/47 Remembrance Sunday:** PW commented that the service and arrangements went very well. Letters of thanks to go to Rev Eynon and the bugler. Donation £100 to go to British Legion. [ONGOING]
- **21/49 New Legislation:** PW gave an outline of the changes due in 2022. The Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 also amends the Code of Conduct Regulations, which includes community councils. There are legislative and compliance changes coming into force for community councils to become eligible, which involves meeting certain standards. Failure to do so would leave bodies unable to carry out their functions. Election cycles will become 5 years and 16 / 17 year olds will be able to vote. Draft minutes will need to be published within 7 days. 2/3 of members must be elected and the Clerk must attain a CILCA qualification at a cost of £450. There will be a monitoring Officer appointed to oversee compliance within community councils. A training plan for councillors and staff must be published, along with a public participation policy. This could lead to some communities having to share staff and PW was fearful that this would lead to difficulties. MB noted that some of the changes were already in force [ONGOING]
- **21/51: School Carol Service:** Date set for 15th December. Caution urged that many events are being cancelled due to Covid. [ONGOING]
- **21/53 Endeavour Prize:** Prize has been awarded by the school [CLOSE]
- **21/60 Parking Hyfrydle:** SJ to send letter to occupier [ONGOING]
- **21/61 Parking Spring Gardens:** Will be raised with PCC when traffic matters are discussed with PCC on 30th November [ONGOING]
- **21/62 Pothole St Davids Road:** RD was unable to locate pothole to report, so may have been attended to [CLOSE]
- **20/35 Broadband:** AA has arranged a Zoom meeting on 17/11/21 with another company that will be running cable through the village to Fishguard. [ONGOING]
- **21/63 Hedge Station Road:** SJ to write to Preseli Lettings. [ONGOING]

21/65 Planning

No new matters received

21/66 Finance

- Deposit for playpark equipment £18,332 - (19/06)
- RD for timber to repair bench on Square - £107
- Dog fouling signs £468 - (20/112)
- Grasscutting
- Endeavour prize - £50 (21/53)

- £14,604 transferred from Savings into Current Account to cover playpark deposit
- Current account 15/11/2021 - £14,064, Savings £5,000

Precept for 22/23 to be set at January's meeting.

21/67 Correspondence

- Valley Management re Trecwn Bridge (20/20) Contents noted.
- PCC re road closure Mathry Road railway bridge inspection 29/11/21 for one night.
- RD asked if a letter had been received from the school asking for support for a grant. SJ no, suggested that they email it.

21/68 PCC Report

MB has arranged a Community Forum follow up meeting on Zoom for 18th November with the intention of getting things back on track.

PCC have a consultation on their net zero carbon plan.

Letterston is currently on top of the list for new phosphate building constraints affecting planning issues and NRW are working with local authorities to try to find a solution.

'My Account' for reporting issues such as potholes has been revamped to allow for feedback to be sent. RD noted that online mapping for footpaths was difficult to use. HJ noted that the current community boundaries are not up to date and AA noted that some residents weren't sure which community area they were in.

Any Other Business

- **21/69 Waste Bags** AA has received complaints that the grey bag rollout was causing delayed, along with AHP purple bags. SJ will deliver the AHP bags.

Date of Next Meeting:

Monday 17th January 2022, at Memorial Hall, with option to include Zoom meeting.

Items for the next Agenda:

18/30 A40 Crossing	19/06 Playpark equipment	19/29 Memorial bench
19/46 Recycle bins	20/20 Trecwn Bridge	20/43 & 83 Pavements Nantyffynon - St
Davids Rd & Station Rd	20/103 Parking St Davids Rd	21/04 Football Clubhouse
20/112 Dog fouling	21/14 Derelict Cottage	21/31 Commons bins
21/37 Village flag	21/42 Queens Jubilee	21/51 Carol Service
21/60 Parking Hyfrydle:	21/70 Future of public toilets	21/71 Feidr Joseph Bridleway