

# MINUTES

## Letterston Community Council Meeting

**7:30pm Monday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2021 held at Letterston Community Hall,  
with members joining remotely by Zoom Meeting**

**Present:** Cllrs R Davies (RD), P West (PW), H Johnson (HJ), B Morgan, (BM), A Adams (AA), S Millichip (SM), G Thomas (GT), B Homer (BH), G Humphrey (GH), M Bateman (PCC)(MB), S Jones (Clerk) (SJ)

**Apologies** J Williams (JW)

**19/06 Play Park Equipment:** Prior to the meeting a discussion took place to decide upon play items to order and three items were chosen from a catalogue, a multi-play installation, a carousel and a see-saw. SJ to order . PCC had also removed a sprung toy which had come away from its base. SJ will retrieve for it to be reinstated [ONGOING]

### 21/41 Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting - 16<sup>th</sup> August 2021 were read and accepted as a true record

### Matters Arising

- **18/30 A40 Crossing:** SJ has received a reply from Welsh Government to say that they are going to reassess the junction [ONGOING]
- **19/29 Memorial Bench:** Benches are ready at Thornton Depot for collection. BM & SJ will arrange [ONGOING]
- **19/46 Recycle Bins:** In hand with PCC [ONGOING]
- **19/60 Community Consultation:** MB reported that the drop in session was held on 16th September and hopes that matters will start to move forward as groups restart activities again. [CLOSE]
- **19/70 Youth Involvement:** MB will report if any firm progress is made. [CLOSE]
- **20/20 Trecwn Bridge:** PW recommended that due to a failure of the bridge owners to cooperate, LCC draw a line under the matter with a letter to Valley Management, subject to confirmation from PCC that officers have seen the last Inspection Report. [ONGOING]
- **20/21 Fireworks:** These will go ahead on Friday 5th November at 7pm. [ONGOING]
- **20/29 Storyboard:** HJ will report further when progress is made [CLOSE]
- **20/43 & 20/83 Pavement Nantyllyn / St Davids Road:** Site visit to be arranged. [ONGOING]
- **20/44 Management of Commons.** PW will report when there has been further progress [CLOSE]
- **20/103 Parking St Davids Road:** SJ to consult with PCC [ONGOING] 01:24:00
- **20/112 Dog Fouling:** BM has obtained signs and will erect. MB will post on village Facebook page. Dog bin has been relocated. [ONGOING]
- **21/04 Football Clubhouse:** PW has spoken to a friend who is preparing a report to be submitted [ONGOING]
- **21/10 Antisocial Behaviour:** No further reports increased police presence noted [CLOSE]
- **21/11 Speeding:** It was noted that the rider was back, letter to be sent. [ONGOING]
- **21/13 Commons Wall:** Contractor will attend when able. [ONGOING]

- **21/14 Derelict Cottage:** AA advised that correspondence was going to a contact and when the owner collects, he disposes without reading. In view of this, PCC to be contacted. [ONGOING]
- **21/28 Hedge at School Exit.** Has been attended to [CLOSE]
- **21/29 Pothole:** Contractor will attend when able. [ONGOING]
- **21/31 Bins Commons:** Bins attended to. [CLOSE]
- **21/37 Flag Pole:** RD has also prepared a base for a flagpole at the Square and will commission on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> September. GT / GH will approach the school to enquire if they would be prepared to design a flag for the village, bearing in mind that there has been a navy vessel HMS Letterston which had its own crest. [ONGOING]
- **21/38 Banner:** The item has been removed [CLOSE]
- **21/39 Hedge:** The request has been passed on to D Salmon [ONGOING]
- **21/40 Knotweed:** RD has attended. [CLOSE]

### **21/42 Queens Platinum Jubilee**

A letter had been received inviting community councils to take part in celebrations to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee on 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2022. It was decided that LCC wished to participate with a beacon on Mynydd Ysgbor which has been used as a beacon site within living memory. Landowner to be approached for permission and RD will order a gas beacon (£490 + VAT). The site is too rough to be suitable for footfall, but it is visible from the Memorial Hall where entertainment can be laid on.

### **21/43 Planning**

21/0571/PA 34 Station Road. No objections

21/0476/PA Clovers Farm. No objections

21/0513/PA 20 St Davids Road. It was noted that the boundary of the property extended into the road and a wall had been commenced protruding into the road, but had since been taken down. No objections to the application, subject to boundary wall being pulled back.

Notification - 19/0633/PA Variation of permission at 92 St Davids Road - provisionally approved

### **21/44 Finance**

- Works to flag base - (21/37) - £255
- Flag pole - (21/37) - £561
- Dog fouling signs - (20/112) - £195.66
- Grasscutting
- Request from Preseli Mens Shed for support to repair costs following water ingress. P BM, S PW - donation of £1,000.
- Current account 20/07/2021 - £13,554, Savings £19,603

### **21/45 Correspondence**

- Road to Welsh Hook 27/09/21 for 5 days.

- Welsh Blood Service requested publicity for October donation session in the Memorial Hall, but it was noted that this session had been cancelled.
- Queens Platinum Jubilee 2022 - as above (21/42)

## **21/46 PCC Report**

MB outlined some live consultations, a wellbeing assessment for the Public Services Board and Improving Active Travel and suggested that LCC support connecting Haverfordwest to Fishguard in its entirety. MB attended a local government course over the weekend in Warwick and noted common problems across the board, such as housing and budget pressures.

## **Any Other Business**

- **21/47 Remembrance Sunday:** Rev G Eynon to be asked to officiate at the ceremony on 14<sup>th</sup> November which should be held outside as per last year. PW will attend to represent LCC.
- **21/48 Toilet:** PCC staff had carried out an inspection and as a result had asked for the contractor to spruce it up. Also, as a result of the skylight being removed when the roof was repaired, to note that we will be using slightly more electricity.
- **21/49 New Legislation:** PW offered to prepare a report as to the measures required to make LCC compliant with requirements to meet legislation coming into force from April 2022. It was noted that several clerks had already resigned. It was also noted that LCC's current auditor had moved away and any suggestions for a replacement invited.
- **21/50 Food Bank:** PW noted that the bank in St Davids Road is in demand and almost as soon as items are placed, they are being taken. He encouraged all to make donations whenever possible.
- **21/51 Carols:** GT mentioned that the school wanted to arrange a carol service around the tree opposite the Jubilee. BM suggested that this would be a good location for another flagpole. To go on agenda for the next meeting.
- **21/52 Pothole:** GT reported a pothole at the junction onto St Davids Road from Nantylfynnon and will report on the PCC website.
- **20/35 Broadband:** AA gave an update that if a company can be found to install broadband in the village, a representative of DCMS that the UK government would cover the costs in full. MB cautioned that the rollout was progressing quickly and a PCC Engagement Officer would do the legwork to secure the signups on our behalf and ensure that all outlying properties would have to be included, whether they sign up or not.
- **21/20 Bus Service:** AA gave an update that he had linked in with Cllr Murphy from Fishguard and they had tried the Fflecsi Bus Service, but were told that due to funding and a shortage of drivers, they were unable to help. AA commented that they had gone as far as they were able.
- **21/53 Endeavour Prize:** HJ noted that a prize had not been awarded in July. GT will try to secure a nomination from the school. For agenda at next meeting.
- **21/54 Hedge:** RD noted that the hedges by the chip shop lay-by were overgrown. To be passed to D Salmon to do with 21/39.

## **Date of Next Meeting:**

Monday 18th October, at Memorial Hall, with option to include Zoom meeting.

**Items for the next Agenda:**

<b>18/30</b> A40 Crossing	<b>19/06</b> Playpark equipment	<b>19/29</b> Memorial bench
<b>19/46</b> Recycle bins & Station Rd	<b>20/20</b> Trecwn Bridge	<b>20/43 &amp; 83</b> Nantyllyn - St Davids Rd
<b>21/04</b> Football Club	<b>20/21</b> Fireworks	<b>20/103</b> Parking St Davids Rd
<b>21/13</b> Wall at Commons	<b>20/112</b> Dog fouling	<b>21/11</b> Speeding
<b>21/29</b> Pothole	<b>21/14</b> Derelict Cottage	<b>20/21</b> Fireworks
<b>21/39</b> Hedge	<b>21/31</b> Commons bins	<b>21/37</b> Flag pole
<b>21/51</b> Carol Service	<b>21/42</b> Queens Jubilee	<b>21/47</b> Remembrance Service
	<b>21/53</b> Endeavour Prize	