

784FREYSTROP COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 18th OCTOBER 2021

Present. Councillors D. Thomas, E. Utting, D. Harries, G.Hughes, R. Harries, County Councillor M. John, C. Griffith

Members of the Public. Mrs Redding, R. Lavis.

The Chair, Cllr D. Thomas on behalf of the community council offered condolences to Cllr D. Harries on the death of her father in law. Condolences were also extended to Mrs Lesley Prytherch and family on the death of Jon, who for many years was the councils internal auditor.

1. Apologies. All the councillors were present.
2. Declarations of Interests. None were declared.
3. Questions from the Public/Update on Housing Site off New Road, Freystrop. Mr G. Phillips was not present at the meeting. Cllr Thomas said there were some matters that were of concern, mud on the road, large number of lorries entering the site. Complaints had been made by residents to the council and the police. Planning permission had not yet been granted by PCC for the site.
4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting, The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 13th September 2021 were passed as a true record. Proposed by Cllr. D. Harries and seconded by Cllr Utting.
5. Matters Arising. Would be dealt with under respective headings.
6. Correspondence. All relevant emails had been circulated. The Clerk submitted his letter of resignation.
7. Highways and Rights of Way. Cllr Thomas said there were concerns about the mud being deposited on New Road by construction traffic. There was an obstruction of the bridleways near Little Milford. This matter was discussed and Cllr Thomas had researched and found legislation which covered the problem. It was agreed that the Clerk would contact the local police and Cllr Thomas would write to Highways Dept.
8. Planning Matters. Cllr Thomas said that he had written a letter regarding insufficient consideration being given by Planning Officers to objections raised by Town & Community Councils on planning matters. The letter had been sent to the LDP2 team, Head of Planning and Chair of Planning Committee. In the letter Cllr Thomas had recommended that a policy be included in LDP2 documents that applications objected to by Town & Community Councils should go to Planning Committee not delegated to officers.

9. Village Hall.

- a. Cllr. Thomas said that short mat bowls was hoping to resume shortly.
- b. Crochet was not returning on Friday mornings
- c. Most groups with regular bookings were now paying by BACS
- d. Bank Accounts, Current Account. £14291.17, Deposit Account. £1602.54.
September Income £646.25. September Expenditure £180.74

10. Playing Field

Cllr Thomas said that the builder was hoping to complete work on the coping and pillars in The coming week. Also filling the potholes. Cllr Thomas requested permission to pay the Builder for the work done. Agreed,
Cllr Thomas invited Russell Lavis to give an update on the park improvements.
Mr Lavis said that the public meeting held on 23rd September had been well attended.
The grass had been mown and another working party was being arranged
Cllr D. Harries asked about insurance cover for the working parties when they were at the Playing field. Cllr Thomas would look into it.

11. Cemetery. Nothing to report.

12. Financial Matters

Bank Accounts. Current account. £5375.51. Projects Account. £13001.58.

13. One Voice Wales & Liaison Meetings.

- a. One Voice Wales Pembrokeshire Area meeting will be held online on 25/10/2021.
Cllr Thomas said he would raise the issue of lack of consideration of Town & Community Council's objections to planning applications.
- b. Cllr Thomas said that One Voice Wales had forwarded a survey from the Welsh Government regarding roles/responsibilities and remuneration of Town & Community Councillors, which he had completed.
- c.

14. County Councillors Report.

Cllr John said that the Haverfordwest High School project was on schedule and that he had visited the facility last week.
Community Speed Watch had been in the village and had recorded 16 vehicles exceeding the speed limit, the highest speed recorded being 57mph.
Bus service. There would be bus service into Haverfordwest on a Saturday. If any resident is affected by this. then please contact PCC or Cllr John.
Council tax on second homes is being increased to 100%
Cllr John said that the NHS Covid Pass is free and advised residents to be careful when applying as some of the firms offering the pass were charging a fee.

15 Celebrations.

Cllr Utting said that arrangements were in hand for the event. A tea party in the afternoon and a pig roast in the evening.

16. Members Requests.

Cllr D. Harries asked about buying a floor polisher for the hall and agreed to price one.

Cllr Hughes said that Little Honeyborough Chapel had some tables which they no longer required and were offering them to the village hall. Cllr Hughes said he would have a look at them and if they were suitable would deliver them to the hall.

17. Date of the Next Meeting.

The next meeting will be held on Monday 8th November 2021.