

MINUTES

Letterston Community Council held their Ordinary Monthly Meeting at 7.30 p.m. on Monday 16th February 2015 in the Memorial Hall.

Members Present: J Williams, R Davies, G Thomas, M Harries, K Codd, B Morgan, B Johnson, B Homer

In attendance: H Smith (Clerk/Treasurer) T Richards (Councillor)

Apologies:

None.

Minutes:

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Monday 12th January were accepted as a true record. Proposed B Johnson, seconded R Davies. All agreed. The Chairman J Williams signed the minutes.

Clerk's report on matters arising from last meeting:

- 1) Clerk had an email from the estate agents saying the information had been passed on to the management company. The hedge has not yet been trimmed. Clerk to chase.
- 2) Clerk has had no luck in getting in contact with Karen from Welsh Water as her line constantly rings out. Clerk to email another complaint to try and get in touch with her.
- 3) Jude Parr has confirmed that as soon as she has funds the mural will be done.
- 4) The layby has been cleared and all salt bins checked and filled.

Declarations of Interest

None.

PCC's Report

Re the budget cuts at PCC, there is probably going to be a 4.5% increase in council tax. The cuts hopefully shouldn't hit any services. It is going to be proposed at the next meeting that council tax be raised to 5% however it is currently looking like a 4.5% rise. PCC has got as far as it can this year with cost reductions. They are going to advertise for a new Chief Executive. The terms and conditions are being drawn up, salary to be set by the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales, but looking like it will be around £130,000. The full report on this is available on the PCC website > Committee section > last Senior Staffing Committee report and minutes. They are also looking for a new Monitoring Officer. They are possibly able to share a MO with Carmarthenshire or National Park. They have also appointed a new Head of Legal (internally) Clare Ingleton.

Finance

Lloyds bank mandate form signed by existing signatories. Clerk to take into Lloyds to get ID'd and sent off.

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Correspondence

- 1) PCC letter re registration outservices – contents noted.
- 2) Planed newsletter – contents noted.
- 3) Teenage Cancer Trust – contents noted.
- 4) One Voice Wales subscription – contents noted, not going to join. Proposed by B Johnson, seconded G Thomas.
- 5) Letter from Letterston Funday Committee asking for permission to hold the event on the village green again on 25th July. Clerk to send letter back confirming as long as they hold the appropriate licence, insurance in place, site cleared within 24 hours and left the way it was.

Any other business

- 1) Grasscutting contract discussed and amended. An extraordinary meeting to confirm the successful tender bid is to be held on Tuesday 3 March at 6.30pm.
- 2) There is debris under the trees on the Commons. R Davies to take a look.
- 3) The passing place by “Precelly” on Blackate Road is very uneven, Clerk to write to Emrys at PCC.
- 4) Clerk to contact Milgi the mole man to come onto the Commons.
- 5) PCC have taken away the community play equipment – Clerk to find out where it is and what is happening to it.
- 6) When the Pembrokeshire hedge is done to make sure the gaps at either end are blocked off and gates locked. A kissing gate is needed for pedestrians.
- 7) Gwyn Harris lives on the Commons and wants permission to concrete outside his house. All costs to be borne by him.
- 8) A drain looks like it is blocked on the school road opposite the gate into the church. Clerk to contact Emrys.

Meeting closed 8.45pm.

Date of next meeting Monday 16th March 2015.