### **Uzmaston Boulston and Slebech Community Council**

# Minutes from 13<sup>th</sup> October 2022

### **Uzmaston Hall**

Attendees – L Screen, C Ace, B Thomas, G Campbell, S Evans and M Williams. Also in attendance Clerk and Rachel Williams (new Clerk).

# 1. Chairpersons Welcome

The Chair welcomed the councillors to the meeting.

# 2. Apologies for Absence

Apologies received from M Howe, S Green and County Councillor D Clements.

# 3. Declarations of Interest

M Williams declared she is related to the new Clerk, but confirmed she was not involved in the recruitment process. No other declarations were received.

4. Previous Minutes

The minutes from the previous meeting in September 2022 were read and agreed.

# 5. Matters Arising

Benches – The Clerk confirmed Norman Industries could provide a wooden bench for  $\pm$ 450. The Council agreed and suggested it was delivered to MW. The Clerk agreed to confirm with Normal Industries.

Uzmaston Village Green – LS updated the Council on the current situation. The Council decided three trees should be planted in memory of the Queen, and to commemorate King Charles coming to the throne. The Council decided on Robinia Pseudoacacia and LS will look into purchasing them.

Grass Cutting – The contract for grass cutting will renew in March, and at this point UBSCC will instigate changes to the cutting regime.

Village Green Sign – The Council decided to form a sub group to research and recommend a sign for Uzmaston Village Green. The group will be comprised of BT, CA or SG and BT. The Council agreed to follow any recommendations given.

Clerk Update – The Council formally offered RW the role of Clerk and Responsible Financial Offer. RW accepted the role and will commence in November, the previous clerk will also work in November to allow for a handover. UBSCC agreed to fund ILCA or CILCA training to support.

Debris in The Rhos – LS reported that debris from tree cutting was blocking the verge and ditch on The Belts. She will follow up with the land owner.

Access from Woodleys – CA reported that the access between Milin and Woodleys is still blocked. She will follow up with PCC.

Marmalade Show – SE reminded the council that the Marmalade show was happening on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> October and distributed schedules.

Sign on Picton Castle Road and Speed Limits – As County Councillor D Clements was not present the Council agreed to postpone these items until the next meeting.

### 6. Planning

22/0511/PA- The Councillors discussed the application and supported.

BT proposed using a sheet to record councillors' decisions. It was also highlighted that planning decisions with decision date before the next meeting could be delayed.

- 7. Reports for Decisions None received.
- 8. Reports to Note

Shared via email.

#### 9. Audits and Accounts

The Clerk confirmed the external audit had still not been received from Audit Wales. UBSCC felt this was unacceptable and suggested writing a letter of complaint to the AM.

#### **10.** Accounts for Payment

The Council agreed to issue the cheques for £373.10 Clerk salary, £93.40 to HMRC for the National Insurance element of the Clerks salary, £150 to S Evans for councillor claims and £450 to Norman Industries for the bench.

The balance of the account was £13,180.50

#### 11. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November at Uzmaston Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.30pm.