LLAWHADEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL INCORPARATING LLAWHADEN, ROBESTON WATHEN, BETHESDA & GELLI

Minutes for the Community Council meeting held on Thursday 2nd March 2023 at 20:00hrs at the Bush Inn, Robeston Wathen, at short notice due to missing keys at the Llawhaden YFC and Community Hall.

Present:

Hugh Watchman (Chair) Samantha Hebblethwaite Tracy Watkins

Tim Simmons Michael Thomas Samantha Philipps-Harries (Clerk)

1. Chairman's Remarks

The chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologised for the short notice change of venue.

2. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Di Clements (County Councillor), Victoria McAndrew and Catherine Hancock.

3. Declaration of Members Interests.

Hugh declared an interest in item 5b, as his son had quoted to build the compost toilet.

4. Confirmation of Minutes of the Last Meeting – 9th February 2023.

The minutes of the meeting held on 9th February 2023 were confirmed as a true record. Proposed by Tracy and seconded by Tim.

5. Matters Arising There From

- a. Broadband Project Update: no update at present.
- b. Playing Field, Llawhaden: majority of the trees/bushes have now been plated thanks to a group of 10 community volunteers. Future dates for works at the field would be agreed with the volunteers. Feeding our communities an invoice has been forwarded to the grant provider, and as far as we are aware we are on track for the £1000, grant funding for the compost toilet. Tom Watchman had supplied quote totalling £1920 to build and erect the composting toilet on the field. Everyone present agreed to accept the quote, proposed by Samantha H and seconded by Tim. Samantha and Hugh agreed to meet at the field to decide on the location of the toilet. Further grant funding was available through Tir Coed for mature fruit trees/bushes, raised beds, compost and plants as well as labour totalling £1200. The community council would need to pay for these items and them re-claim the monies from Pembrokeshire County Council (PCC), who would reimburse the community council. It was agreed to accept this offer proposed by Tracy and seconded by Samantha H.
- c. Luncheon Club: Tim had attended the February luncheon club at the Bush Inn, Robeston Wathen. All residents that attended enjoyed themselves. Tim presented a receipt to reclaim the subsidy totalling £16.50, it was agreed to pay proposed by Michael and seconded by Tracy.
- d. Llawhaden Planning/Right of Way issues: ongoing.
- h. Grit Bin request for SA66 7HH following accidents during icy road conditions: it was agreed to contact the highways department at PCC and Clynderwen Community Council to find out who was responsible for this area and where a suitable location would be for the grit bin.

Signed: Hugh Watchman

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6. Finance

a. Estimated NatWest Bank Account balances as at 2nd March 2023.:

Opening Balance Feb 23	£3847.31	Savings Account	£1440.61
Monies received	£ 0.00		
Sub Total	£3847.31		
Cheques to be presented:			
Hall Rent	£ 425.00		
Welsh Air Ambulance	£ 100.00		
Defib Training Exp	£ 40.00		
Victoria	£ 27.25		
CCF	£ 36.72		
Sub Total	£ 628.97		
Estimated Closing Bal 02/03/23	£3218.34		
(Earmarked funds Playing Field	£ 829.50)		

7. Correspondence

- a. One Voice Wales (OVW) Important information Section 6 reports: Community or Town council has a statutory duty under Section 6 of the Environment Act (2016) which states that every public body must seek to maintain and enhance biodiversity in the exercise of their functions in relation to Wales, and in so doing promote the resilience of ecosystems, so far as consistent with the proper exercise of those functions noted for future planning.
- b. WEL Medical Limited Invoice for replacement defibrillator pads and 4 x accessory packs totalling £110.34. These items had been received and placed in each defibrillator in the area. It was agreed to pay the invoice totalling £110.34 proposed by Tim and seconded by Michael.
- c. OVW New Hospital Site Consultation: Invitation to a meeting for Town and Community Councils noted.
- d. Urdd Gobaith Cymru (Pembrokeshire) donation request: no donation would be made at this time.
- e. PCC: Local Development Plan 2 (Annual Monitoring Report Report of Consultations Supplementary Planning Guidance Consultation) noted.
- f. Pembrokeshire Coast Charitable Trust donation request no donation would be made at this time.

8. Planning

- a. The Cart House, Vaynor Farm, Bethesda: Retrospective siting of 3 self-catering pods as part of a farm diversification enterprise (22/0914/PA) no known objections.
- b. Addle Pitts, Llawhaden: Retrospective planning application single storey rear conservatory(22/0940/PA) no known objections.
- c. A route pole height increase (22/859/OHL) no objections approved.
- d. The Cart House, Vaynor Farm, Bethesda: Retrospective siting of 2 self-catering pods as part of a farm diversification enterprise in conjunction with application at Broomley farm (22/1020/PA) no known objections.
- e. Woodland at Coed Cynefin, SA67 8DJ: Wood Shelter, Workshop/ Tool Store (22/1026/PA) no known objections. However, PCC should consider what this could lead to in the future, considering the number of "dwellings" there is rumoured to be in the area that started off as a tool shed / wood store.

Signed: **Hugh Watchman**

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9. Points of interest raised by the County Councillor.

No points raised in Di's absence.

10. Any Other Business

- a. Defibrillator Check Hugh had carried out checks on all 4 defibrillators in the area, and all were in good working order, with pads and batteries all being in date.
- b. It was hoped to have the Spring Newsletter published in time for the Easter break. It was felt that the new items were too wordy, and it was decided to limit those contributing to the newsletter to one half of a side of A5. This would include contributions from Llawhaden YFC, Llawhaden WI, three churches in the area, a playing field update along with a request for volunteers for the fun day in August, defibrillator information, dates for the diary and luncheon club update with dates.
- c. August Fun Day: it was agreed to hold the fun day on Sunday 27th August 2023. Michael informed the meeting that he had a marquee that could be used free of charge for the event, all it required was man power to help erect it. This offer was gratefully accepted. It was agreed to hold the Volunteer Working Group meeting on 26th April 2023 at Llawhaden Hall at 19:30 hrs. The clerk would check with Owain the hall was available on this evening.

11. Next Meeting

The next meeting would take place on Thursday 6^{th} April 2023 at 20:00hrs, at Llawhaden YFC & Community Hall.

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 21:45 hrs.

Signed: **Hugh Watchman**