**Llanddewi Velfrey Community Council**

**Minutes of normal meeting held Wednesday 12th July 2023**

Present: Cllrs, Jamie Lewis, Wynn Griffiths, Tudor Eynon, Edward Howells and Keith Thomas.

**1 – Apologies for absence**. Cllr Meurig James and County Cllr David Simpson had offered their apologies. These and the reasons for them were fully accepted by the Council.

**2 – Declarations of interest**. No interests were declared.

**3 – Questions from members of the public.** There were no questions from any members of the public.

**4 - Minutes of previous meetings**.

There were accepted as a true record and agreed by all present. They were therefore signed.

**5 - Matters arising from previous meeting**.

**A40 bypass.**  The sixth quarterly LALC meeting was due in the next week – representatives of the Council would attend. The weekend road closure had gone very smoothly, and the organisation of it had gone well. There was concern raised about the road working requiring four-way lights in the week beforehand, though – numerous complaints had been made reporting delays of up to 2 hours for journeys. There had been a recent meeting with Griffiths regarding the back roads being used to avoid the speed restrictions on the man roads. As a result a temporary traffic speed restriction would be requested by Griffiths, and a permanent one potentially sought for after the bypass was complete.

**6 – New business.**

**Revised Financial Regulations and Financial Risk Assessment**. The Council discussed the revisions, put in place to enable online payments to be the default for the Council. They were happy with the suggested changes to the two documents and so , and so they were adopted.

**Council Annual Report for 2022-23**. This had been drafted and circulated. It was agreed, and so adopted, and would be published.

**7 – County Councillor’s report**. In the absence of the County Councillor no report had been provided.

**8 – Correspondence received.**

* One Voice Wales remote training. This was noted.
* School catchment area consultation. This was noted.
* Consultation on children and young people services provision in Withybush and Glangwili Hospitals. This was noted.

**9 - Planning:**

There were no planning applications to consider in this meeting.

**10 - Finance:**

Bank balance **main** account £1872.37 as of 11th June 2023

Bank balance **second** account: £20.00 as of 11th June 2023

Bank balance **business interest** account: £8114.09 as of 11th June 2023. This account holds the War Memorial bequest; the reserve for Cllr allowances; the reserve for elections.

Details of payments made and due are summarised below:

Invoices/contractual/other payments to consider:

* Clerk’s monthly salary for June/July
* Clerk’s expenses for June/July
* Clerk’s tax June/July

These payments were all agreed by those present and it was also agreed to have them made online.

**10 - Councillors’ reports for consideration at next meeting.**

Concerns were raised as to what the situation was with the planned broadband rollout when the designated contractor had gone into administration. The Clerk would contact PCC to ask what was planned by them since they had been co-ordinating the consulting and contracting processes.

The Clerk said that best practice was to suitably review the Council financial processes and potentially seek a new internal auditor periodically, to assure the Council that it was meeting and preferably exceeding requirements. It was agreed that the Clerk should investigate what might be required, and report back to the September meeting with options.

**11 - Date of the next meeting.** The next meeting was agreed for Wednesday 13th September 2023 starting at 8.00pm.

There being no other business to consider, the meeting closed at 8.35pm.