

Minutes

Meeting of Wolfscastle Community Council held at Pen y Bont Chapel Vestry on
Tuesday 14th November 2023 at 8pm

Members Present:

Cllr Gerwyn Williams (Chair), Cllr Peter James (Vice Chair), Cllr Gerald Miles, Cllr Barrie Griffiths, Cllr Brian John, Cllr Brynmor Harries, Cllr Suzanne Jenkins

In Attendance:

Cllr Michelle Bateman (PCC)

Apologies:

None

Call to Order:

Cllr Gerwyn Williams called the meeting to order at 8.00pm by welcoming all attendees. Cllr Suzanne Jenkins recorded the minutes.

Declarations of Interest:

None

Minutes:

Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 10th October 2023 were not available.

Matters Reported by Councillors

1. GW reported that he had today received an email from Natalie Williams (Clerk) tendering her resignation due to personal reasons. GW responded accepting and wishing her every success for the future. The way forward was discussed. GW will clarify details of the post with PCC before advertising the new post through the usual channels. GW has also requested that all associated documentation and hardware be returned to him.
1. Damage caused to kerbs/grass verges on the A40 between Wolfscastle and Letterston by heavy farm machinery was highlighted. It was also noted that drivers are often using mobile phones whilst driving. GW will contact Liam Woodford of the local Rural Police Crime Team and invite to a Community Council meeting to discuss how this can be best managed. MB has also discussed this issue within PCC.
3. Ongoing issues with the sewerage under road bridge and front of Vestry was raised. SJ to
contact Welsh Water for meeting on site.
Drains at junction to Wolfscastle Hotel require cleaning as the area floods during heavy rain.
GW to follow up.
4. Bank signatories to be confirmed.

5. BJ was asked to forward concerns regarding disability access in the village and the possibility of dropping some kerbs. MB will contact Jessica Hatchet, Access Officer in PCC to arrange a visit and review of current provision.
6. Tim Bowen is the new tenant of Rock View Farm.
7. New electric supply for Christmas lights and repairs to the Wolf Fountain have now been completed by Sheldon Humphreys.
8. GM raised concerns over the future of Withyhedge Landfill Site. Increased numbers of Atlantic heavy goods vehicles carrying waste from Cardiff are not only causing increased congestion of the A40 but also call into question the carbon footprint of the site. No waste from the county is tipped here. BG also reported that the smell has now reached residents in Treffgarne. BG to contact PCC Planning Support to enquire into the lifespan of the site and monitoring of the site in terms of use, height and smell.
9. SJ to contact Norman Industries regarding the repair of notice boards.
10. SJ responded to the Boundaries Commission Pembrokeshire Community Review. Stated the current community structure works well and as we exceed the elector threshold stated in Council Size Policy we would not wish to see any change to the boundary.
11. As an interim measure GW will respond to the current planning applications following Committee discussion.
12. GW to check council emails as an interim measure.
13. BH to check with previous Clerk on Facebook access.
14. This years Welfare Committee contribution was discussed.

Clerks Update:

None

Planning:

23/0667/PA: no issues raised.

Finance Report:

Not available.

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1. Boundary Commission Review consultation has started.
2. Clearance of the Hayscastle School site has begun in readiness for site survey. Community Consultation will begin in January 2024. Detail of the type of housing development proposed will follow.
3. The Cross Inn officially opened.
4. The Christmas tree lighting will be on 30th November 2023. The Community Council Chair Cllr Gerwyn Williams has been asked to turn on the lights.
5. Grey waste bags are no longer to be provided by PCC. Now have to provide your own. Also new business regulations who will be required to sort waste from early next year.

Welfare Committee Meeting

Apologies:

Geoffrey Eynon GE

Minutes:

1. It was decided that Festive Hampers would be provided to over 65s in Wolfscastle and Treffgarne this December.

Meeting closed at 22.00 - next meeting to take place 12th December 2023 @ 8.00pm in Treffgarne Village Hall.

