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Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 13th February 2024 at Newchapel Reading Room

Present: Cllrs Pamela Parsons (Chair), Aled Lewis, Natalie Revett, Suzanne Burley

County Councillor Iwan Ward

Judith Kings (Clerk)

Members of the public: 2

Representatives from Ffosyficer farm were in attendance to address issues regarding complaints about the state of the road to Newchapel that passes farmland.

1. To accept and approve apologies for absence

Lynda Williams sent apologies.

2. Declarations of interest on matters arising from the agenda

None

3. Approval of Minutes of last meeting 9th January 2024

RESOLVED: to approve the minutes as an accurate record of the meeting.

The council RESOLVED to move item 7a to this point in the meeting.

7a Community Council response to complaints about slurry on the Newchapel road

A constructive dialogue was had with the representatives from Ffosyficer Farm, who apologised for the dirt on the road, caused by rain washing mud and rotting hay through a wheel rut. Once made aware of the situation the road was cleared and this was a one-off event. Discussion was also had regarding the lack of passing places along the road, causing tractors and cars to mount the verges. This is impacting drainage gullies. Overhanging trees also cause obstructions. County Councillor Ward is taking this matter forward.

The Ffosyficer representatives left the meeting.

4. County Councillor report

Road signs in Newchapel have not been replaced yet, but the matter is being addressed. The blocked drains in Newchapel should be cleared next week. County Councillor Ward stated that he is not in support of the proposed increase in Council Tax. He is working with the Independent Group to try to lower the increase, based on affordability for residents and the lack of benefits seen in this part of Pembrokeshire.

5. Matters Arising (not on the agenda)

- a) Update on the drainage issue in Abercych
 County Cllr Ward has spoken to the relevant department, but the camera operator is off sick.
- To note that dog poo signs have been put up in various locations
 Noted. Dog mess is still an issue, but Manordeifi Council can do little else to stop the problem.

6. Correspondence

Letter from Paul Sartori asking for donations - donation was made in June

RESOLVED: not to make a further donation.

1 Feb 24 Initials:

7. Council Matters for discussion and resolution

a) Community Council response to complaints about slurry on the Newchapel road See above.

b) To consider the improvement and promotion of local footpaths

Cllr Revett has completed surveys on 3 of the proposed routes. The number of required waymarkers has been noted. Basic ones cost about £2 each. Manordeifi specific waymarkers could be put at the start of the routes (on the road.) There is one more path to survey. Once all the routes are signposted and fully open, a treasure trail could be devised to encourage usage of the paths.

RESOLVED: Cllr Revett to contact the County Council pathways officer to move the project forward.

c) To decide on the community council's response to the need for tree cutting in New-chapel

Trees within the Newchapel boundary are dying and need cutting down as a safety measure.

RESOLVED: to contact the owner (via the contractor who cut down trees previously) to arrange to have them cut back.

d) Appointment of Internal Auditor and approval of terms of reference

RESOLVED: to appoint SG Accountancy as Internal Auditor and approve the terms of reference.

- **e)** To consider the appointment of a Youth Representative to the community council **RESOLVED:** to defer the matter to another meeting.
- f) To decide upon the involvement of Manordeifi Community Council in the D-Day 80 Commemorations (6th June 2024)

Newchapel is holding an event. Cllr Parsons has written to Abercych Village Hall regarding their plans, but has not received a reply as yet.

RESOLVED: not to hold a Community Council event but to encourage residents to join in with the Newchapel event.

8. Planning Applications

For comment:

a) **23/0773/PA** Proposal: Change of use from agricultural use to dog exercising field. Site Address: Penwernddu, Boncath, Pembrokeshire, SA37 0HE

RESOLVED: to fully support the application. The clerk to write to the owners separately to inform them of the support from Manordeifi Community Council.

For information:

- b) 23/0108/PA Retrospective change of use to commercial canoe launching/landing area with associated car parking and storage. Site Address: Land Adjacent to Hammet House, Llechryd, Cardigan, SA43 2QA Decision: Conditionally Approved NOTED
- c) **23/0741/PA** Proposal: Two-storey extension to dwelling. Site Address: Tair Sir, Abercych, Boncath.

Pembrokeshire, SA37 0EX **Decision:** Conditionally Approved NOTED

9. Financial Matters

2 Feb 24 Initials:

- a) Bank balance at 23rd January 2024: £8,156.19. Clerk's salary has been paid since the date of the bank statement. Remaining balance: £7,923.59
- b) To approve rental payments of £102 to Abercych Village Hall and £105 to Newchapel Reading Room, plus £60 to Newchapel Reading Room to offset the cost of supplying electricity to the defibrillator
 - **RESOLVED:** to approve the payments. The clerk to check with Abercych Village Hall regarding the cost of the use of the hall for the Act of Remembrance.
- c) To note that a reclaim of VAT has been submitted for £70.43 NOTED
- d) To note that the actual cost of the dog poo signs was less than anticipated, at £60.94 NOTED

10. Information sharing/matters for the next meeting

Complaints regarding the state of the verges to be added to the agenda for the next meeting. A request for a road sweep was made to the County Councillor.

Abercych is part of one of the 'bee lines' that have been set up across the country. It could be beneficial to the community council to ask a representative from the project to give a talk.

11. Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 12th March, Abercych Village Hall

Signed:	 		
Date:			

3 Feb 24 Initials:



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TREASURERS ACCOUNT

MANORDEIFI COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Account summary

Balance On 22 Dec 2023Total Paid In
Total Paid Out

£8,714.73 £0.00 £558.54

Balance On 22 Jan 2024

£8,156.19

Account activity

	Payment					
Date	Type	Details	Paid In (£)	Paid Out (£)		Balance (£)
22 Dec 23		STATEMENT OPENING BALANCE				8,714.73
28 Dec 23	SO	JUDITH ANNE KINGS - SALARY		232.60	/	8,482.13
18 Jan 24	FPO	AUDIT WALES 40000001281778369	AUDIT FEE	265.00	/	8,217.13
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22 Jan 24	FPO	JUDITH ANNE KINGS 20000001274605642 DOG	POG SIGNS	60.94		8,156.19
		POO SIGNS 111789 10 21JAN24 12:50				
22 Jan 24		STATEMENT CLOSING BALANCE	0.00	558.54		8,156.19

The "Details" column in your statement shows the date that a Debit Card payment went into or came out of your account only if that happened on a weekend or a Bank Holiday.

Payment types:

SO - Standing Order

FPO - Faster Payment

RECEIPTS & PAYMENT LOG

1.9.23	Online P8	/	Boomerang sign & Design RTRA 1984 s72***		£180.00	£8,408.61
1.9.23	Online P9	/	DM Payroll Services s111*		£60.00	£8,348.61
5.9.23	Online P10	/	Boomerang sign & Design RTRA 1984 s72***		£90.00	£8,258.61
20.9.23	Online P11	/	One Voice Wales training s111*		£19.00	£8,239.61
20.9.23	Online P12	/	Clerk overtime payment s112*		£104.67	£8,134.94
28.9.23	Standing Order	/	Clerk salary s112*		£232.60	£7,902.34
1.10.23	Online P13	/	Clerk's SLCC membership s143*		£80.00	£7,822.34
22.10.23	Online P14	/	Green Gardens (Maintenance of Millennium Garden) OSA s10 ****		£552.00	£7,270.34
30.10.23	Standing Order	/	Clerk salary s112*		£232.60	£7,037.74
24.11.23	Online P15	/	Cllr Parsons reimbursement: Poppy appeal donation; daffodil bulbs s137*, s144*		£80.00	£6,957.74
24.11.23	Online P16	/	Cllr Revett reimbursement: craft & refreshment supplies s137*		£16.41	£6,941.33
28.11.23	Standing Order	/	Clerk's salary s112*		£232.60	£6,708.73
6.12.23	Online P17	/	Air Ambulance donation s137*		£100.00	£6,608.73
11.12.23	Pembrokeshire CC	/	Precept	£2,166.00		£8,774.73
11.12.23	Online P18	/	DM Payroll Services s111*		£60.00	£8,714.73
28.12.23	Standing Order	/	Clerk salary s112*		£232.60	£8,482.13
18.1.24	Online P19	/	Audit Wales fee 22/23 s111*		£265.00	£8,217.13
21.1.24	Online P20	/	Clerk reimbursement: dog poo signs LGRA s31*****		£60.94	£8,156.19
29.1.24	Standing Order		Clerk salary s112*		£232.60	£7,923.59