St Florence Community Council

Minutes of the Community Council Meeting held at 7.30pm on Tuesday 9th October at 7.30pm, St Village Hall St Florence.

(Available in Welsh upon request to the Clerk)

Present: Cllr Griffiths, Cllr Evans, Cllr Adams, Cllr Treherne, Cllr Eardley,

Cllr Buckmaster and Cllr Philips

Also Present: County Councillor Kidney.

Apologises: Cllr Morgan

1. Public Participation (limited to 15 minutes): None

- **2. Minutes of the meeting held 4th September** The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed and Seven Councillors and County Councillor Kidney were present for the September Meeting. No members of the public were present. The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed and proposed as an accurate record by Cllr Treherne this was seconded by Cllr Buckmaster. Cllr Griffiths declared an interest in a matter in the planning section.
- **3.** Cllr Griffiths welcomed Cllr Philips to the council. The oil statement was reviewed and all councillors felt that the change to Direct debit had been for the best and was the most cost effective way of ensuring the supply remained topped up.

A letter had been received from PCC explaining a new test system they hope to pilot in respect to councils receiving planning permission. The Clerk read the letter plus accompanying information to the council. PCC were looking for volunteer councils to receive planning permission by email and respond in the same way. They went onto explain that all members of the council would need to have access to the plans for a response time of 14 days. PCC suggest an email address which all councillors have access to. The scheme will be tested for 3 months. Councillors felt that as not everyone has access to email or the knowledge to use it that the test would not be suitable St Florence Council at present. Cllr Buckmaster suggested it might be an issue that needs looking into as most correspondence will head this way in the future. Cllr Buckmaster will look at the possibility of running computer lessons in the village hall.

A letter from Pembrokeshire County Council was received asking for feedback on the recent Ironman event. The council felt it would be beneficial to invite members of the community to the next meeting to share their thoughts, before a response was made. The clerk was asked to put signs in the notice board.

4. The Bank Balances were read out by the clerk. Invoice payable were Clerks wages and expenses, St Florence Cricket Club, Andrew Brace Window Cleaning, Initial Fire Services, JBH Cleaning Supplies and Philip Percival Electrical Contractor. Payment was proposed by Cllr Evans and seconded by Cllr Eardley all councillors were in favour. The clerk asked councillors if they had considered closing one of the three accounts they hold to make things simpler when it came to the end of year finances. Councillors believed that was a good idea. The clerk will look into accessing online banking as well. Cllr Griffiths suggested it might be an option to look at purchasing a laptop or netbook, solely for council use as the clerk currently uses her personal laptop. Cllr Evans Proposed to go ahead with this and Cllr Treherne seconded, all councillors were in

favour.

- **5.** Planning Application number 12/0252/PA Solar park and associated equipment on land south west of Jordanston Farm, permission was granted. A copy of planning permission and section 106 of Land South of Longstone was received, there was a change in the number of dwellings to 14.
- **6.** County Councillor Kidney informed the council he would be in the village on Tuesday with a council member to look at various issues including the loose stones at the ford. Councillors asked him to look at the possibility of speed bumps, the path to the ford by the old mill and the give way sign at parsonage. The clerk informed the council she had got a price for a skip as requested but it was thought that maybe PCC would provide one, County Councillor Kidney will find out. Cllr Griffiths thanked County Cllr Kidney for his report.
- 7. No correspondence was received.

The meeting closed at 8.20pm. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 6th November 2012 at the village hall. All members of the community are welcome to give their feedback on the Ironman 2012 event.