

# WISTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes for the Community Council meeting held on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2015 in the Memorial Hall, Clarboston Road at 20:00hrs.

## Present:

Peter Lewis (Chairman)	Phil Davies
Yvette Bevan	Thomas Bevan
Rosemary Richards	Marilyn Lewis
David Howlett (Community Councillor)	

### 1. **Chairman's Remarks**

The chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### 2. **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Rhys James and Alan Vaughan.

### 3. **Confirmation of Minutes of the Last Meeting**

Minutes of the meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> October 2015 were read and confirmed as a true record  
- Proposed by Marilyn Lewis and Seconded by Thomas Bevan.

### 4. **Matters Arising There From**

4(6g) Governing Body of St Aidan's Church in Wales Voluntary Aided School – the Local Education Authority confirmed that a community councillor from the Uzmaston Council had put their name forward. However in the meantime the school had been informed of a proposed consultation to allow St Aidan's Church in Wales Voluntary Aided School and Spittal Voluntary Controlled Church in Wales School to federate. This would mean that both schools would *“continue to exist as separate schools, be inspected separately and report their results as individual schools. However, they will work together to ensure the best possible outcomes for all pupils in the federation. They will be supported in this by a single Governing Body which will be able to share resources and expertise across the schools and work to raise standards and improve teaching and learning in both schools.”*

(9a) David Howlett informed the meeting that a new sign had been ordered for the post at Newbridge Nurseries and would be placed once received.

(9g) David Howlett also informed the meeting that there were plans address the potholes in Walton East. Thomas Bevan felt that this was a step in the right direction however there were many other issues with the road in Walton East that also needed addressing such as the flooding on the road next to the green and the pond, water running down from Preseli View housing estate and the bad state of repair of the road in general.

(6k) An email had been received from PALC regarding the draft Charter between Pembrokeshire County Council and Town and Community Council, advising that more time was required and had been sought to address the charter.

### 5. **Finance**

- a. Statement for Business Current and Savings Account as at 30<sup>th</sup> October 2015 – Business Current Account £2600.26 and the Savings Account £3096.65.
- b. Budget / actual spend comparison month ending October 2015.

### 6. **Correspondence**

- a. Consultation on the draft Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Bill (emailed) – tabled.
- b. Welsh Government Research into their support for Town and Community Councils – meeting 16<sup>th</sup> November 2015 (emailed) – noted.

- c. Keep Wales Tidy donation request – it was agreed to forward a donation of £25.00 to this cause. David Howlett mentioned they had been helpful in the past when organising clean/tidy ups in the village.
- d. Transforming Mental Health Services Programme Group – tabled.
- e. Haverfordwest English-Medium Provision Consultation Summary (emailed) – Phil Davies advised the meeting that this was now a new consultation, and any remarks, letters or comments made previously would need to be resubmitted. One of the startling facts that had been highlighted during the new process was the intention of Pembrokeshire County Council (PCC) to accelerate the loss of 6<sup>th</sup> forms in the Secondary Schools (north of the county), and for the 6<sup>th</sup> form education to presumably be conducted at Pembrokeshire College. Therefore Phil would forward comments to the clerk, for her to include in another letter that would be forwarded to this current consultation process.
- f. Simon Thomas AM – Regional Bulletin – tabled.
- g. Welsh Government update for Community and Town Councils October 2015 (emailed) – noted.

## **7. Planning**

- a. Conversion of domestic outbuilding (garage & store) to residential use - Lake View Cottage, Clarbeston – 15/0777/PA (emailed) – no objections.
- b. Clarbeston Road AFC – Knock Playing Fields redevelopment – 15/0689/PA – Conditionally Approved – noted.

## **8. Received After Posting**

- a. Groundwork – new funding for community green spaces – councillors had forwarded this information to relevant projects.
- b. Oil Fuel Poverty – PCC would like to know if there were any Oil Clubs known in the area i.e. households in an area that get together to order oil at a more competitive price. No one present was aware of any such clubs in the ward.

## **9. Any Other Business**

- a. Community Council Christmas Dinner 2015 – it was agreed to hold the dinner on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2015 at 20:00hrs, at the Cross Inn Clarbeston Road. The clerk would book the table and request a menu from the Cross and forward to everyone as soon as possible.
- b. Yvette Bevan had nothing more to report.
- c. Thomas Bevan had already discussed the state of the road in Walton East, and hoped it would be addressed sooner rather than later. Also there were pot holes emerging on the road from Clarbeston Road to Wiston by Benlyn, which would need to be dealt with.
- d. Phil Davies reminded everyone that they would need to submit their views again in regards to the new consultation regarding Secondary Education in the North of the county.
- e. The street lights outside of Wiston School were not working, Peter Lewis would find out the lamp numbers and report them to PCC.
- f. Marilyn Lewis had nothing to report
- g. David Howlett felt that the Cheerful Project Lantern Making Workshop had been a success, and they planned to hold a Christmas Craft Workshop at Clarbeston Road Hall on 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2015. A meeting had been organised by the project to establish what residents would like organised for them, in the Cross, however this was only attended by a handful of people.
- h. Peter Lewis had looked at the wooden notice board in Clarbeston Road, and felt it would be appropriate to replace it with a recycled notice board and for it to be located by the post box in the village. The clerk would find out prices and delivery times for a new notice board.

10. **Next Meeting**

There would be no meeting in December, so the next meeting would be Monday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2016 at 20:00hrs.

As there was no further business the chairman wished everyone a Happy Christmas, and the meeting closed at 21:45hrs.

Signed Peter T Lewis \_\_\_\_\_ Dated 18<sup>th</sup> January 2016  
Chairman to Wiston Community Council

Signed S A Philipps-Harries \_\_\_\_\_ Dated 18<sup>th</sup> January 2016  
Clerk to Wiston Community Council