KILGETTY-BEGELLY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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**Press Release – January 2017**

The latest meeting of Kilgetty, Begelly Community Council (KBCC) took place at 7.00pm on 12 January 2017 at Kilgetty-Begelly Community Centre.

The latest news and other main items discussed by Full Council were:-

* Members were pleased to agree an Annual Precept of £21,000 for FY 2017/18, the same level as the previous three years.
* Pembrokeshire County Council (PCC) had now kindly undertaken remedial work to the deteriorating surface of the pavement alongside the Community Garden in Carmarthen Road, Kilgetty.
* The cutting of The Common in Kilgetty had now been undertaken.
* KBCC agreed that a donation of £1k be made to Begelly-Kilgetty Community Association, toward the refurbishment costs of the kitchen at the Community Centre in Kilgetty. The facilities are used daily by many local community groups.
* *All The Seasons Gardening Services* has again been appointed as KBCC’s grass cutting contractor for the 2017 season.
* Letters of Appreciation have been sent to Julie Froment and Richard Jerrim for all the good work that they have provided to the local community. KBCC would be pleased to receive nominations from local residents of others that undertake voluntary work, or provide a service, over and above the call of duty, within the local community.
* Town and Community Council elections take place on 4 May 2017.
* Local residents and local organisations are encouraged to send information on special events in the area to the Clerk, as well as photographs of Kilgetty through the ages, who will then consider for inclusion on the KBCC website.

**Begelly-Kilgetty Community Association (BKCA)**:

* No meeting of BKCA had taken place in December but the Christmas Fayre had raised £370.
* BKCA wished to thank Margaret Moffat for undertaking the re-working of the curtains in the Community Centre hall.
* David Pugh and the ladies of the Community Association were also thanked for all their hard work in co-ordinating work and clearing the kitchen prior to the refurbishment work now being carried out, with grateful thanks, by John Keeler.

**Planning**

KBCC considered the following planning applications;

**16/0952/PA – Conversion of existing barn to one holiday let at Moorlands Farm, Thomas Chapel, Kilgetty SA68 0XG**. Full Council recommended **approval.**

**16/0948/TF** – **Tree surgery at James Park, Kilgetty SA68 0YD.** Members noted that the deadline for comments had passed and so noted this application. No objections were raised.

**County Councillor David Pugh’s Report**

County Councillor Pugh reported the following;

* The proposed new development at Folly Farm had been recommended by PCC’s planning committee for approval and would now be considered by Full Council on 2 March 2017.
* PCC’s Budget Review had recommended an increase of 5% on the Council Tax for 2017/18. Full Council at PCC would now need to ratify this increase.
* The vegetation adjacent to the slip road between the main Begelly roundabout and the Community Centre in Kilgetty had now been cut back and cleared.
* 5 properties were now occupied in the new housing development at Newton Heights, Kilgetty. Stepaside School had also received 2 new enquiries about pupils joining the school.
* PCC was tabling meetings to discuss the new Second Homes Rates and the criteria for the spend on additional community projects that might benefit from this new revenue stream.

**Next meeting**

The next monthly meeting of Kilgetty-Begelly Community Council is scheduled to take place on Thursday, 9 February 2017 in the Plum Room, Kilgetty-Begelly Community Centre, commencing at 7.00pm. A public participation session is always scheduled prior to the start of the meeting. Copies of the approved Minutes of Kilgetty-Begelly Community Council meetings can be viewed by contacting the Clerk, Ian Morris, on 01834 450512. Minutes of previous meetings and a copy of the Code of Conduct for Members can also be accessed via the website.

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