

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF LLANSTADWELL COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY
13TH DECEMBER 2016 AT THE NEWTON HALL, WATERSTON AT 7.00PM.**

PRESENT: Cllr G Wilson (Vice-chair)
Cllr Mrs M Astles
Cllr Mrs S Ashley
Cllr B Brown
Cllr Mrs J Phillips
Cllr P Roberts

APOLOGIES: Cllr M Howells (Chair)
Cllr Mrs H John

Also in attendance: Mrs Judith Wilson
Mrs Jane Howell
Mrs Penny Joubert

The clerk was in attendance.

1870 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None received.

As there were members of the public present who wished to speak, it was agreed that they be allowed to speak before the meeting started fully so that they could leave promptly.

1871 REPRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Mrs Wilson spoke on behalf of the Community Speed watch group and advised Members that they had been monitoring the speed of traffic in the Llanstadwell area following which, 80 letters had been sent out to motorists caught speeding. Mrs Wilson requested that this Council writes to the County Council Head of Highways to request a reduction in the speed limit from 40mph to 20mph from Military Road to Church Lakes. The speed of motorists has been risk assessed and is too high.

Mrs Jane Howell, a local resident from Mastlebridge spoke about the dangerous road conditions on Military Road, particularly close to the bridle path where there is an urgent need for signage to warn motorists of the presence of horses. She added that the mini roundabout at Mastlebridge is not safe and is hazardous to pedestrians with several local residents having had close encounters with vehicles. Mrs Howell also requested that a letter be sent to the Head of Highways with a request to reduce the speed limit on Military Road. Her request was supported by another local resident Mrs Penny Joubert who provided correspondence from other local residents indicating their concern.

Members advised residents of the site meeting held early last summer with Cty Cllr Paul Miller and his subsequent letter to Darren Thomas of PCC. Mr Thomas had advised that following a speed survey taken on the road it indicated average mean speeds of 35.4 and 35.6 which determined the introduction of the 40mph speed limit. This coupled with no recorded collisions in the past 10 years and adequate warning signs of the roundabout and the speed limit, no further action was recommended.

It was agreed however that despite the negative result of the previous site meeting, a further very strongly worded letter would be sent to Mr Darren Thomas with the copy correspondence from residents indicating their concern. The clerk would also pass on these concerns to Cty Cllr Paul Miller.

RESOLVED: **That a strongly worded letter be sent to Mr Darren Thomas of PCC with copy correspondence from concerned residents regarding the speed limit on Military Road and the lack of warning signs for horses.**

*The local residents left the meeting at 7.30pm.

1872 **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT**

The chair was not present, however Cllr Wilson advised that he had attended the Remembrance Service at Neyland and had laid a poppy wreath on behalf of Council. The clerk advised that Cllr Howells had attended the Civic Carol Service at Neyland in his chain.

Cllr Brown advised that he and Cllr Howells had attended the PAVS funding fair recently at Narberth and had obtained considerable information regarding the Pembrokeshire Funding Portal.

1873 **REPORT OF CTY CLLR PAUL MILLER**

Cty Cllr Miller was not present and no report had been received.

1874 **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting held on 8th November 2016 were proposed and seconded. They were agreed as a true record.

1875 **MATTERS ARISING**

The following points were raised:

- a) **Minute 1868:** The clerk was asked to request PCC to replace the bench in the bus stop at Waterston and that a path is laid from the pavement to the bench. Also that a shelter be provided for the noticeboard at Hazelbeach.

- b) **Minute 1862 e):** The clerk had obtained one price for a noticeboard but was asked to obtain two more to comply with Financial Regulations. **f)** That enquiries be made regarding the litter bin at Church Road.

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UPDATE ON BANK BALANCES TO 30th NOVEMBER 2016

The following documents were circulated:

- a) The Bank Reconciliation Summary showing the balance of the Current Acct as £3,268.40 and the Saver Acct as £18,825.92.
b) Financial Statement – Cashbook showing income of £15,189.16 and expenditure of £18,515.54 (gross).
c) The Financial Statement – Budget Comparison showing the budget, actual income and expenditure and the balance remaining under each budget heading.

RESOLVED: **That the above financial information be accepted and agreed.**

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TO SET DRAFT BUDGET FOR 2017-2018

The County Council had advised that the Council Tax base for the year 2017-2018 would be 399.05, slightly up on the current year. The clerk had circulated a Draft Budget with a total income of £ 14,163.50 and expenditure of £12,020.00 as per Appendix 1.

The figures were slightly amended by increasing the budget for Christmas to £500 and Contingency to £1,000 making expenditure a total of £12,720.00. Therefore a standstill precept at £30.00 per household was agreed which would bring in a precept of £11,971.50.

RESOLVED: **That a precept be set of £30.00 per household which equates to an income of £11,971.50.**

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PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following planning applications were considered:

- a) **16/0814/PA: Change of use of land adjacent to Harbour View, Waterston Road** – it was **agreed to support this application** but that an error on page 2 of the Justification Report referring to a change of use to domestic rather than equine is pointed out.
b) **16/0740/PA:** Conversion of redundant agricultural outbuilding to residential unit at Jordanston Farm, Jordanston – **it was agreed to support this application.**

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QUIET LANE FUNDING

As Cllr Howells was not present it was agreed to discuss this matter at the next meeting.

RESOLVED: That this matter be discussed at the next meeting.

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QUARTERLY PLAY PARK INSPECTION REPORT FOR HAZELBANK

The above report had been received from PCC which highlighted all the outstanding work that was required. Cllr Roberts advised that he would paint the equipment as soon as the weather improved. The clerk was asked to find out if Hammerite was acceptable for a play park and to let Cllr Roberts know. Cllr Wilson offered to inspect the other items referred to in the report.

RESOLVED: That Cllr Roberts will paint the necessary items and the clerk to ascertain which paint to use.

Cllr Wilson will inspect all other items referred to in the report.

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PURCHASE OF FLOWER POTS, TROUGHS AND PLANTS FOR HAZELBEACH

Cllrs Ashley and Richards had requested that this Council purchase some pots, troughs and plants to be situated near the Ferry Inn end of Church Road and at the other end by Church Lakes. They advised that they would be prepared to plant them up and to water them when required.

Cllr Ashley also asked about the BT phone boxes that were being removed and suggested we take them over for some useful purpose. It was agreed this be discussed at the next meeting.

The clerk was asked to find out from PCC whether they had any spare plant pots or troughs that we could have and that the matter be discussed at the next meeting.

RESOLVED: That the clerk asks PCC for any spare plant pots or troughs and that the matter be discussed at the next meeting.

That the possible use of redundant phone boxes be discussed at the next meeting.

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CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

The following correspondence was received:

- a) Poster from PCC regarding changes to waster & recycling collections over Christmas and New Year period – posters to be displayed.
- b) OVW – WAG prepared to take on fiscal devolution responsibilities – noted.
- c) OVW – Landfill Disposals Tax (Wales) Bill – noted.
- d) BT payphone removals revised deadline – no action.
- e) Milford Haven LPCC – Future Library Coffee Morning- noted.
- f) The Draft Account & Audit (Wales) (Amendment) Regs 2016 – noted.
- g) PCC Future Plans Workshop – noted.

- h) LDBCW Publication – Electoral Reviews: Policy & Practice – noted.
- i) Natural Resources Wales new contact number – noted.
- j) Police & Crime Commissioner 2017-18 Police Precept Consultation – noted.
- k) Play for Wales Magazine – noted.

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ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The following accounts were approved for payment:

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| a) Mrs J Clark November salary | £148.79 |
| b) PAYE for November | £37.00 |
| c) Neyland & Llanstadwell Burial Board Precept | £1,700 |
| d) PCC – Recharge for Hazelbeach toilets. | £335.00 |
| e) PCC Advert in press re Code of Conduct | £30.00 |

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ANY OTHER INFORMATION

The following matters were raised:

- a) The Christmas Tree lights on the Hazelbeach Tree were faulty and it was agreed that Mr Quantrell be asked to look at them and if necessary new ones be purchased.
- b) The toilets at Hazelbeach were in need of cleaning and refurbishment before re-opening in April. The clerk was asked to find out what works Danfo were planning before April.
- c) Cllr Wilson asked why the tree on the Cocklebank had been cut down. Cllr Phillips advised that the Willow tree had died and that is why it was cut down.
- d) Cllr Brown advised that he had received an email from Karen Wood regarding the Dragon LNG Liaison Committee and that he had replied to her.

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DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 10th January 2017 at 7.00pm at the Mission Hall, Hazelbeach.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm.

Signed.....Chair.....Date

Signed.....Clerk