

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF LLANSTADWELL COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY
10TH JANUARY 2017 AT THE MISSION HALL, HAZELBEACH AT 7.00PM.**

PRESENT: Cllr M Howells (Chair)
Cllr Mrs S Ashley
Cllr Mrs A Richards
Cllr P Roberts
Cllr G Wilson

APOLOGIES: Cllr Mrs M Astles
Cllr B Brown
Cllr Mrs H John
Cllr Mrs J Phillips

The clerk was in attendance.

1886 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None declared.

1887 CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The chair had nothing to report however Cllr Aileen Richards had attended the Ageing Well event in Cardiff which had been very informative. Cllrs B Brown and G Wilson had attended the Dragon LNG Liaison Committee but there was little to report. Egnedol were present and advised that there planning application had been submitted to the Planning Inspectorate.

1888 REPORT OF CTY FCLLR PAUL MILLER

Cty Cllr Paul Miller was not present and no report had been received. The clerk was asked to advise Cllr Miller that councillors are disappointed that he is unable to attend meetings or to provide a report.

1889 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 13th December 2016 were proposed and seconded. They were agreed as a true record.

1890 MATTERS ARISING

The following matters were raised:

- a) Minute 1875: The clerk advised that a letter had been sent to Darren Thomas of PCC and Paul Miller regarding the speed limit in Military Road but no response had been received as yet.
- b) The clerk asked Cllr Wilson to take photographs of the benches etc that required refurbishing so that the clerk could send them to PCC.
- c) The litter bin had been put in place on Church Road.
- d) The clerk had obtained three quotes for a noticeboard and it was agreed to purchase one from Whitehill.

- e) Minute 1880: The play park had been inspected by Cllr Wilson and Cllr Roberts was advised that it was acceptable to use Hammerite paint on play equipment. (Information had been obtained from Neil McCarthy of PCC). Grass had now grown under the matting under the swings so they were now held in place.+
- f) Minute 1881: The clerk advised that PCC were happy to let us have any spare flower troughs they may have and was asked to find out when we could have them. This matter to be discussed at the February meeting.
- g) Minute 1884:a) Cllr Phillips advised that she had purchased lights for the Christmas Tree at Hazelbeach and all lights will be checked before Christmas this year.
- h) Minute 1884 b) The clerk advised that the toilets would be painted inside before opening in April and any necessary repairs carried out. The clerk was asked to request that they painted both internally and externally and that a sign be placed inside requesting that users please respect the facility.

1891 **BANK BALANCES TO 31ST DECEMBER 2016 and UPDATE ON ACCOUNTS**

The following documents were circulated:

- a) The Bank Reconciliation Summary showing the balance of the Current Acct as £860.81 and the Saver Acct as £22,651.27.
- b) Financial Statement – Cashbook showing income of £19,014.51 and expenditure of £19,168.13(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.**

1892 **CONFIRM PRECEPT FOR 2017-2018**

At the last meeting a draft precept of £30.00 per household bringing in £11,971.50 was suggested. The proposed precept of £25.00 per household was agreed with an expenditure budget of £12,720.00 and income of £14,163.50. This left an excess of income over expenditure of £1,443.50 which would be added to reserves.

It was further agreed that £10,000 of reserves would be invested in a charity account with the United Trust Bank offering an interest rate of 1.30%.

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

That the sum of £10,000 from reserves be invested in a charity account with the United Trust Bank.

1893 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The following planning application was discussed:

- a) **16/0989/PA:** Change of use of land from agricultural to domestic curtilage (retrospective) at Swallows Rest, Leonardston Road, Llanstadwell.

It was agreed to support this application.

1894 **FUNDING FOR QUIET LANES PROPOSAL**

Cllrs M Howells and B Brown had attended a Funding Fayre recently in Narberth and some interest had been shown in the Quiet Lanes project which would be eligible for funding. Cllr Howells had downloaded information from the Welsh Govt website and part of the form refers to the cost of the project. Cllr Howells had produced a rough estimate of costs which was discussed and increased slightly. It was agreed that this application be submitted.

RESOLVED: **That an application for funding for the Quiet Lanes proposal be submitted to the Welsh Govt.**

1895 **BT PHONE BOXES EARMARKED FOR CLOSURE**

It was agreed that as none of these phone boxes were of the old red type that they be taken away.

RESOLVED **That all surplus phone boxes be removed by BT.**

1896 **'BATTLES OVER' 100 YEARS OF REMEMBRANCE OF WWI 2018**

An invitation to take part in the remembrance of the end of WWI has been received, asking if we wish to participate in a chain of beacons across the country on 11th November 2018. After some debate it was considered that we did not have a suitable location for a bonfire or a beacon so would not be taking part.

RESOLVED: **That this Council does not take part in the chain of beacons across the UK as we do not have a suitable location.**

1897 **LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN RURAL FACILITIES**

A request had been received from the County Council Planning Department for assistance in updating the Local Development Plan Rural Facilities account by completing a form for Little Honeyborough, Llanstadwell, Mastlebridge and Waterston.

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DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 14th February 2017 at the Mission Hall, Hazelbeach at 7.00pm.

The meeting closed at 9.50pm.

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

Signed.....Clerk