

**MINUTES UZMASTON, BOULSTON AND SLEBECH COMMUNITY COUNCIL held in The
Uzmaston Village Hall**

On Thursday 9th February 2017

Present:

Councillors, Mrs S Green, Miss B Thomas, Mr H Thomas, Mrs M Williams, Mrs S Evans, Mrs Campbell, Mr R Hancock,

Also in attendance: Clerk, Mr Nutting

1. Chairperson's Opening Remarks:

The Deputy Chairman welcomed all to the meeting including a member of the public.

2) Apologies for Absence: Mr J Percy is attending meetings in Europe and sent apologies
Cllr R Lewis had sent information via email

3) Declarations of Members Interests - Miss Thomas declared that she is a landowner adjacent to the areas of concern raised by Mr Nutting but has not appointed or used the contractors using the road in question.

4) The Minutes of the meeting of 12th Jan 2017 were checked for accuracy and were agreed and signed

5) Matters Arising

Highways, Ditches and Roads

Cllr Lewis of the County Council had attended a site meeting across the community on Tuesday 24th January at 10 am which was attended by Sue Evans, Jeremy Percy and Sheila Green. All actions proposed related to outstanding highways repairs and it is intended these be acted on within a month. Works adjacent Mrs Green's on the drainage which had collapsed and was causing localised flooding had commenced. Mrs Green will be liaising with PCC to agree further works. Members were in support of the installation of a new covered pipe in this location rather than a ditch which would cause access problems. Mr Lewis had sent notice of the works underway at Picton Ferry and the Millen Culvert. Ditching works had begun on the road towards Norchard. Works had not as yet been undertaken at Dunsany Park / Addison Road or to the New Road.

Concerns were raised in detail and at length by Mr Nutting about the speed of contractors, safety and lateness of farming operations using large vehicles. The Members empathised with Mr Nutting's concerns and had raised the concerns about speed of contractors and the state of the road with the County Council and police on previous occasions. Members were reminded by the Clerk of the limitations of the Council's powers which allows the council to alert those authorities with specific responsibilities for highways and safety that concerns from the community had been raised but does not allow for changes in road use or development of highways proposals. The Clerk was instructed to write again to the county council raising safety concerns and Members also agreed to open a dialogue on behalf of the community with the landowner about the importance that contractors use the roads safely.

Broadband

Cllr Hywel Thomas has been unable to speak to anyone at Ofcom Wales as this was simply an answer machine. Mr Davis AM advised that a decision would be made in Feb/March and that this would then make clear whether the community would be included in improvements or not.

Noticeboard

Signed:

Date:

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Mr Hancock would speak to Mark Owen and the Clerk would pursue Norman Industries again for their quote.

Bus service

The review is ongoing.

6) **Planning**

13/1016/PA Variation of condition 4 of planning consent 13/1016/PA Former Green Plains Nursery, Narberth road (A40), Haverfordwest

Members had no objections but were concerned that as this is proposed to be a bigger development then the access is inadequate in the light of road safety and the need for a filter lane for the large vehicles being used would be preferable.

NP/17/0056/S73 Variation of Condition 2 of NP/16/0076/FUL to allow extra time to paint building, Picton House, The Rhos

Members were concerned and disappointed that PCNPA had not enforced painting of the building prior to winter as there had been long periods of good weather to allow this throughout the autumn. However, Members recognised that it now being winter that it might be considered reasonable for the extension of time but insisted that this be limited to being completed by May 2017 and that enforcement actions must be brought immediately in the case of any further delays. Members wanted reassurance that the PCNPA would be enforcing landscape planting proceeding during the winter planting season and wished the PCNPA to note that the house was currently for sale.

NP/16/1077/PA Demolish garage and construct single storey extension, Clover Park

Members had no objections

7) **Reports & Items for Decision or Comment**

701 Consultations & Notices currently open (enclosed)

Local Housing - Members instructed the Clerk to respond to the consultation identifying their preference in the definition of local to be a minimum of 3 yrs but also allowing provision for those who went away and came back e.g. army connections

702 To note the outcome of the Clerk's meeting with a prospective applicant following last month's meeting and to consider 3 new applications received for the Clerk Vacancy. Members agreed that Mr Percy and Miss Thomas would interview all candidates. The clerk was asked to draw up criteria for scoring as directed. *This part of the meeting was not open to the public.*

703 Request to agree to nomination of Mrs Kay Jones to St Aidan's Church School, Wiston agreed

704 Request for a nomination of a Community Governor to Ysgol Cymraeg Glan Cleddau. Members did not have a nomination.

8) **Other Reports & Correspondence to Note**

801 Pembrokeshire Coastal Forum News - circulated by email noted

802 Local Development Plan Replacement – Workshops PCNPA - noted

803 Welsh Hearts appeal - noted

804 Letter from Pembrokeshire County Council regarding the Council Tax base. Members noted that the Pembrokeshire County Council acknowledged their request for a Precept of £3650.

805 One Voice Wales Membership invitation - noted

806 Kidney Wales Walk for Life - noted

807 Request for point of contact for Rights of Way consultations - Members asked that this should be the Clerk

9) Accounts & Audit

Members noted entries made in the receipts and payments book last quarter - that there were none.

Members noted receipt of the Dec/Jan Bank Statement and balance at 19th January of £6506.24 which was in line with budget projections

10) Accounts for payment

None

11) Any other business

Members of the public continue to raise concerns about parking problems in New Road and difficulty negotiating way into town / parked cars obstructing view.

Diane Clements is standing for County Councillor as the Conservative candidate and has asked if she can come to speak to the Community Council prior to elections (as candidates are doing in all areas) Agreed.

Waldo Williams society Anna Williams has written to Mrs S Evans asking for a plaque to go into the chapel. Members noted that this is already been agreed by the community council subject to the chapel being in agreement.

Meeting Closed at 8.57pm

Date of Next Meeting - 9th March 30pm @ The Rhos Hall