AMBLESTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

A meeting of Ambleston Community held on Monday 24 July 2017 at the Memorial Hall, Woodstock. Meeting commenced at 8pm

Present were: - Mr David Ambrey (Chairman), Messrs Bryn Vaughan, Kevin Morris, Julian Harries, Councillor David Howlett, Pembs County Council, and the Clerk.

1. Apologies.

Mrs Anne James.

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting.

Copies of the minutes of the last meeting had been distributed to members. There was one error noted (remove Mrs Anne James from ‘Present’ list). The minutes were agreed as being a true record and were signed.

3.Matters arising from the Minutes

(a) Cllr Howlett noted that the flooding at Hook Farm - It is envisaged that due to varying levels here there is no quick fix and will be a difficult problem to rectify.

(b) Julian Harries hasn’t received the mandate from Barclays Bank.

(c) Margaret Harries has messaged the Clerk saying that she is still waiting to hear from Ambulance Service regarding the training for the defibrillator. Bryn Vaughan has been told that other communities have waited approximately 3 months.

(d) Japanese Knotweed in the reported areas has not been sprayed. Cllr Howlett however has seen spraying taking place in other areas.

(e) Cllr Howlett attended the Community Speed Watch meeting on 11 July 2017 at Clarbeston Road. Sergeant Harrison explained how the scheme will work. Bryn Vaughan has agreed to show Sergeant Harrison around the area. More volunteers will be required to set up teams (minimum of 3). DBS checks will be carried out on all volunteers. The Police will have to ensure they are happy that the locations are safe for people to be situated in.

4. Highway Matters.

(a) Bryn Vaughan reported that a bollard at Wallis has been knocked down.

(b) Kevin Morris commented that no preparative work took place prior to top dressing the cemetery road at Woodstock. The top dressing has been placed on top of weeds which are now growing through the tarmac.

(c) Kevin Morris also noted that the council are slow in cutting hedges in the area .Cllr Howlett said that this is in progress. Julian Harries noted that where hedgerows have been cut, sections along the main roads have been missed – there is no consistency.

5.Planning

There were two matters for planning – 17/0343/PA - Hook Farm, Ambleston – creation of three new accesses from the public highway and blocking up one existing access.

17/0344/PA – Hook Farm, Ambleston – creating two new accesses to fields from the public highway and blocking up one existing access.

Plans were shown to members. It was decided to support both applications.

6. Correspondence.

1. A contract/legal agreement has been received in relation to the adoption of the kiosk at Ambleston to house the defibrillator. The contract was circulated to members to read over.
2. Local Democracy and Boundary Commission presentation at County Hall on 28.07.17 – Cllr David Howlett will be attending.
3. Letter of thanks from Citizens Advice for the £30 donation received.
4. Receipt received from British Heart Foundation for the £600 received towards the purchase of the defibrillator.
5. Understanding the Law training on 25.07.17 – no one will be attending.
6. Pembs County Council –Review of secondary education provision in Haverfordwest –information only.
7. Pembs County Council – Governing Body of Spittal Church in Wales Voluntary Controlled School – due to the expiration of Julian Harries’ term of office as Additional Community Governor approaching the community council for any new nominations that could be put forward. No interest at present.
8. One Voice Wales the minutes of last AGM that was held July 2016 and April 17 – passed to David Ambrey.
9. NHS – Transforming Clinical Services consultation documents – circulated.
10. NHS – Mental Health Service improvements – consultation documents – circulated.

7. Any Other Business.

1. Change of Clerk details form for Barclays Bank PLC – signed by Clerk and Julian Harries.
2. Pension Regulator update – Clerk is not eligible, a declaration of compliance required within 5 months of the staging date (1st December 2017).
3. David Ambrey noted the pond at Wallis needs cleaning. Enquires to be made to National Resources Wales (NRW) on guidance for getting it cleaned. Clerk to write to NRW.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.00 p m.

Date of the Next Meeting – Monday 25th September 2017 at 8.00 pm.