# BRAWDY COMMUNITY COUNCIL.

2017/05.

Minutes of the monthly meeting of Brawdy Community Council held at Trefgarn Owen Schoolroom on Monday September 25th 2017.

- 1. Present. Cllr D. E Jones, Cllr Mrs A. Morgan, Cllr M. Carter, Cllr J. Tierney, Cllr Jessica Massey and Sean O'Connor clerk.
- 2. Apologies. Cllr. Mrs G.Lawrence.
- 3. The Chairman welcomed everybody to the September meeting, and proceeded to read the minutes of the July meeting. The clerk apologised that there was a slight duplication within the minutes, whereby items 4d and 10 were regarding a similar matter. It was proposed by Cllr M Carter and seconded by Cllr J Tierney that they be accepted as a true record. The Chairman and the clerk signed the minutes as confirmation.
- 4. Matters arising.
- 4a. Cllr Carter advised that Croesgoch school was still without a head teacher, with temporary cover provided by Solva. There was a shortage of teachers at Croesgoch, but it was hoped that the situation would improve after one term.
- 4b. The AGM of the St David's CLT was attended by Cllr Jones and Cllr Carter, with Cllr Carter being appointed to the group board. It was advised that the person who owns the land had withdrawn from the negotiations to sell. Everything was on hold at present, with no mention of the swimming pool or the social housing discussed at this meeting. There was a further meeting on 28th September, which Cllr Carter would attend, and report back the situation to the next meeting.
- 4c. Cllr Massey reported that things had gone very quiet with regard to the fund raising efforts at Trefgarn Owen, with many members of TOVA withdrawing, and she reported a definite drop off in interest. She also advised that she had not had a response from Woodenbale regarding the costing of the project as discussed at the July meeting. It was also advised that Pembs housing would only be prepared to provide the upkeep for certain types of equipment. The clerk had also contacted our Insurers who confirmed that if the community council did take over the lease, the cost of the public liability cover increase, would be a nominal amount of £10 per anum. Cllr Carter also advised that the numbers of the TOSA group had depleted, with some of the main organisers leaving the area. It was agreed to leave this matter, and, discuss any progress at the October meeting.
- 4d. As it was still early in the school year, there was nothing yet to report regarding the bus route via Brwady & Parkhall. It was agreed to monitor, and report any findings to the next meeting.
- 4e. Cllr Carter advised that he and Cllr Massey had delivered the dog fouling letters in the village, with more still to be done. Any responses or actions would be reported to the next meeting. Cllr Carter advised that the dog warden job, was being combined with fly-tipping and traffic enforcement, in order that a closer eye could be maintained.

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- 4f. Cllr Carter advised that the position regarding the war-graves was improving, and all the graves were being attended. He would continue to monitor the area.
- 4g. Cllr Carter reported success with the street road markings at Bryn Golau. Parking bays had been painted by houses 1to 4, and also a give way sign at the junction. He was also speaking to Darren Thomas at County Hall regarding a speed limit sign, and also a beware children crossing sign.
- 4h. The clerk reported that he had contacted Primary Care regarding the purchase of a defibrillator unit. The cost for an external unit was £ 1249 + vat with an internal unit costing £ 895 + vat. Training for up to 12 people would cost £ 300. This was discussed, and it was generally felt that a better option would be to arrange a first aid training session for community volunteers, subsidised by the council. The clerk was instructed to contact the local St Johns Ambulance, British Red Cross and Solva first responders, to compare prices for hosting First Aid training sessions. 4i. The clerk reminded councillors of the local PCC meetings that were being held locally in October. The St Davids meeting was on October 26th, and the Fishguard meeting on October 27th.

## **CORRESPONDENCE.**

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- 5. Planning Application Consultation. Ref. No. 17/0511/PA. Removal of existing velux window and replace it with a new dormer window at Ffynonoer Llandeloy Haverfordwest. This case was discussed by councillors, and it was unanimously agreed that we reply in support of this application.
- 6. Confirmation of approval of Planning Application. Ref. No. 17/0281/PA. Alterations to outbuildings and new raised

decking at Hafan Treffynnon Haverfordwest. Received & Filed.

- 7. Advice of appeal to the planning inspectorate. Ref. No. 16/1042/PA. Change of use from agricultural land at Chapel House Brawdy. Received & Filed.
- 8. Confirmation of approval of Planning Application. Ref. No. 17/0326/PA. Erection of agricultural building (livestock) at Castell Y Gwcw Llandeloy Haverfordwest. Received & Filed.
- 9. The clerk advised of a launch of a project to end loneliness in Pembrokeshire. There was open meeting and drop in sessions in Letterston between 10 am and 15.30 on 29<sup>th</sup> September. The website address was also provided.
- 10. The clerk reminded councillors of the invitation from Solva CC to their code of conduct training session with the monitoring officer on Wednesday October 6th at 6.30 pm at Solva Memorial Hall.

### PEMBS COAST NATIONAL PARK.

11. The clerk had forwarded an invitation to the Chairman to be their guest at the Pembs County Show. Unfortunately he was unable to attend.

#### OTHER CORRESPONDENCE.

- 12. The clerk provided the website address for a "did you know survey" from the Mid & West Wales Fire & Rescue. Councillors were encouraged to participate.
- 13. The clerk had been asked to write to the Bishop of St Davids regarding the future of Brawdy Church. To date no reply had been received. Cllr Mrs A Morgan advised that she had attended a recent meeting and at this stage, although there was no vicar, and only one service a month, nothing had been decided. It was agreed to discuss this matter again at the next meeting, depending on the reply from the Bishop, and any other developments.
- 14. A white paper from Hywel Dda regarding "fit for the future" was received & filed.
- 15. A match funding offer from Wickstead playgrounds had previously been forwarded to Cllr Massey in conjunction with the TOVA project. As this situation was now not so strong this was received & filed.
- 16. The website address was provided by the clerk, regarding an update from Emyr Williams regarding the Newgale options. This was also available on the PCC website.
- 17. Clerks & Councils direct brochure Sept 17 circulated commencing with Cllr Morgan.
- 18. A discussion took place regarding joining One Voice Wales instead of PALC. The clerk had contacted OVW and the cost is £101 per anum, but a 50% introductory offer was agreed for the first year at £50.50. It was proposed by Cllr M Carter and seconded by Cllr Mrs A Morgan that we go ahead and join. As we had paid for the year for PALC, it was agreed to leave this as it is, until we receive the renewal offer next year.

## Report of responsible finance officer.

- 20. The clerk reported up to date bank account balances as at 25/9/2017 as; Current Account. £ 14.56. and Deposit Account. £ 3196.34.
- 21. The clerk reported that the annual audit had been returned, and was delighted to report that we had received an unqualified acceptance. Advice was received that an invoice for £ 180 would follow shortly. Notices offering sight of the accounts were issued for the village notice boards, with an expiry of October 14th.
- 22. The clerk confirmed receipt of the August precept payment amounting to £1122.00
- 23. The clerk presented an invoice for reimbursement of expenses and additional hours worked for the period May to September 2017. This included receipts for all expenses, and amounted to £ 159.27. It was proposed by Cllr Mrs A Morgan and seconded by Cllr M Carter that this be paid.
- 24. It was proposed by Cllr Mrs A Morgan and seconded by Cllr M Carter that the sum of £250 be transferred between our accounts to cover the payments agreed at this meeting.
- 25. The clerk confirmed that he had contacted his tax department, and declared the Additional income earned from the community council. It was agreed with them that the income tax be paid via a reduction in the clerks' personal tax allowance, and deducted from his regular monthly income from his employer. He also advised that he had been in touch with the clerk at Solva, who advised that the current rate of hourly pay received by him was incorrect, and should be higher. A short discussion took place on this matter, and also the declarations confirmed by the internal auditor, on our annual audit return, regarding tax. It was agreed to discuss this matter again at the next meeting, and after taking advice if needed, once we had joined One Voice Wales.
- 26. Cllr Carter advised that he had set up a new email account specifically for Brawdy Community Council. This was to be for the use of all councillors, and be available as an alternative address to that of the clerks. The details were

supplied by Cllr Carter, and councillors were encouraged to use it.

- 27. Cllr Tierney advised that he had viewed the website of Llanrhian CC, which had the Minutes and agendas available to the public. The clerk advised that there was a problem, with the link between his computer and PCC, but would contact them again to try and rectify the problem.
- 28. The date of the next meeting was set for Monday October 30th at 8pm

## At the discretion of the Chairman.

Cllr Massey advised of overhanging trees and grass in the middle of the road on the B road close to Ewiston and Lackerlee. Cllr Carter volunteered to check the site and to attend to this matter at County Hall if required.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.50 pm,