

WISTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Community Council meeting held on Monday 15th January 2018 in the Memorial Hall, Clarbeston Road at 20:00hrs.

Present:

Marilyn Bevan (Vice-Chair) Peter Lewis
Alan Vaughan Rhys James
Thomas Bevan Robert Voyle
David Howlett (Community Councillor)

1. Chairman's Remarks

Marilyn Bevan welcomed everyone to the meeting and praised Thomas and Pippa's hard work towards the Christmas Market held at the Memorial Hall on 16th December 2017.

2. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Phil Davies and Yvette Bevan.

3. Confirmation of Minutes of the Last Meeting

Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed as a true record.
Proposed Alan Vaughan and Seconded by Peter Lewis.

4. Matters Arising There From

There were no matters arising.

5. Finance

- a. Pembrokeshire County Council (PCC) – Precept Request 2018/19: the clerk confirmed that a request for £4000 had been submitted. It was also noted that that PCC may decide to charge wards for future community council elections. The letter stated that this figure could be £5765.79 if the election was contested, or £255.86 if not contested. The precept request figure had not been increased as at present there was still a vacant position on the community council, that had been vacant for over 12 months.
- b. PCC – Remittance advice – Final Payment 2017/18 for £1333.00 had been received.
- c. Bank Account Balances as at 31st December 2017:
Community Account = £5068.66
Business Premium Account = £3099.14
- d. Clerks request for Wages and Expenses – October to December 2017. It was agreed to pay the clerks wage of £450.00 and expenses of £60.19.

6. Correspondence

- a. PCC – Playground Quarterly Inspection – no new issues had been highlighted in the inspection. It was agreed that the Clerk would chase up Anthony James to establish a start date on the fencing of the playground, as the Pride Grant relied on the work being carried out before the end of February 2018.
- b. Dyfed Powys Local Resilience Forum – tabled.
- c. Mid and West Wales fire and Rescue Authority Draft Corporate Plan 2018 – 2023 - tabled.
- d. Police and Crime Commission 2018/19 Police Precept Consultation – noted.
- e. Welsh Government – Appropriate Sum under Section 134(4)(A) of the Local Government Act 1972 – Section 137 Expenditure: Limit for 2018/19 – noted.
- f. Clarbeston Road AFC – Letter of thanks.

- g. Welsh Government – Planning Law in Wales Consultation Paper – tabled.
- h. Ombudsman – The Code of Conduct Casebook – noted.
- i. Clerks and Councils Direct – tabled.
- j. Independent Review Panel – Review of the Community and Town Council Sector – noted.
- k. One Voice Wales – Quick Check Training Finder – West February to July 2018 – noted.
- l. PCC – Consultation on –
 - Proposed changes to Car Parking Charges (ends 12/01/18)
 - Proposed changes to Household Waste and Recycling Collection (ends 15/01/18)
 - Budget Consultation

7. Planning

- a. Llysyfran Visitor Centre – upgrade existing reservoir perimeter trail by developing a new trail, split into twelve sections to enhance the mountain biking provision – 17/0826/PA – no objections. The councillors present hoped the proposed improvements to Llysyfran Dam would go ahead in a timely manner and that they would be maintained for future generations.
- b. Barn (Hen Llaeth), Bullhook, Clarbeston – The conversion of an old milk house building to a dwelling – 17/0814/PA – no objections.
- c. Barned House, Walton East – single storey extension to dwelling – 17/0855/PA – no objections.
- d. Fenton Home Farm, Crundale – alterations and extension – 17/0575/PA – Permission granted.
- e. Willow Wood, Clarbeston Road – replacement of oil storage tanks and construction of retaining boundary walls with associated concrete apron (in retrospect) – 17/0833/PA
- f. Fenton Home Farm, Crundale – erection of a livestock building – 17/0901/PA – no objections.

8. Received After Posting

- a. Spring Hill, Clarbeston – tree surgery – 17/0913/TF – no objections.
- b. Amalgamation of Pembrokeshire Association of Local Councils (PALC) and One Voice Wales – Meeting to discuss the proposal on Wednesday 17th January 2018 at Johnston Institute – noted.
- c. Cloverton, Lamborough Lane, Clarbeston Road – Variation of condition 2 of permission 16/1121/PA (Replacement of lawful residential dwelling with a new dwelling and construction of a new access) to allow for an amended design of dwelling – 17/0760/PA – approval granted.
- d. Letter from Lillian Pritchard (of Tavernspite), highlighting an anomaly with regard to Pembrokeshire planning guidance – in that Pembrokeshire would like to avoid tourist accommodation under GN19 i.e. caravans/mobile homes, and encourage, good quality tourist accommodation under GN17. This related to planning application 17/0881/PA. Noted.

9. Any Other Business

- a. Rhys James reported that the fence that runs along the railway line between Ginger Hill and Deepford Bridge needed repairing – David Howlett agreed to contact Network Rail to action. He also mentioned the bridge at Deepford was in need of maintenance.
- b. Thomas Bevan advised that £1200 had been raised at the Christmas Market organised by himself and his wife Pippa, and they hoped this would go towards defibrillators being fitted in Walton East, Clarbeston and Wiston. The Clerk agreed to find out if defibrillators could be donated by the British Heart Foundation or any other charities, and then the money raised could be used to purchase the housing to store the

defibrillators. David mentioned that Ambleston Community Council had recently had defibrillators placed in their village, and that they may be able to advise who had helped them source the equipment. Everyone present thanked Thomas and Pippa for their hard work in organising the event.

- c. David Howlett had been contacted by Robin Sheldrake of Clarbeston Road and advised that there appeared to be a sewage problem on the road alongside the play park. Welsh Water had been in attendance for this issue and a further issue alongside the Football Field on the road approaching Wiston. He would contact Welsh Water to find out what the problems were and what was their plan to rectify the issues.
- d. Peter Lewis reported flooding on the road between Cranberry Cottage and Hobbins Hill (on the road from Wiston to Llawhaden). There was also a need for maintenance at the Lower Hill passing place. He felt there was a need to raise the issue of flooding on the road between Newbridge and Sunny Hill alongside Little Rathe entrance – although technically this came under Rubaxton Community Council it appeared to be an ongoing problem. David agreed to report both these issues.
- e. Alan Vaughan expressed thanks to Thomas Bevan (Community Council), Steve Williams and Steve Ousely from the Hall Committee, for erecting the Christmas tree in Clarbeston Road. When it was standing it was lovely sight!
- f. Robert Voyle advised that the manhole cover outside Ashgrove, Clarbeston still needed the tarmac to be removed from it.
- g. Marilyn Bevan had nothing to report.
- h. The clerk raised the bad state of repair of the road between Pentyparc and Spittal. Paint tins and rubbish had been dumped on the road approaching Walton Mill from the bridge. Also, the diversion of all traffic including Heavy Goods Vehicles along the roads in the community when the A40 was closed, had become an issue during December as 3 major accidents had closed the A40 resulting in chaos along these small country roads. David would discuss with Di Clements (County Councillor for Llawhaden) to see if the matter could be raised with PCC.

10. Next Meeting

There would be no meeting in December, therefore the next meeting would be held on Monday 19th February 2018, at the Memorial Hall Clarbeston Road at 20:00hrs.

As there was no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 21:30hrs.

Signed _____
Chairman to Wiston Community Council

Dated 19th February 2018

Signed _____
to Wiston Community Council

Clerk Dated 19th February 2018