**CYNGOR CYMUNED CILGERRAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON**

**MONDAY 22nd JANUARY 2018**

Present: Cllrs H Bellamy, J Davies, J Wimhurst, L Williams, E Thomas, G Evans, K McEneany,

 N Evans, P Bottom

Apologies: Cllrs K Griffiths

Not Present: Cllrs M Clarke, D Worth

390 The meeting was preceded by a talk by PC Delme Jones of South Ceredigion force and PC Caryl Griffiths of North Pembrokeshire force. The pair explained their objectives for the winter months, one being to engage with the farming community by attending marts and visiting the farms offering DNA Testing where farm equipment is coded. If a burglary occurs, the equipment can be traced. Defibrillators in the community are also coded in the same way, as they have been tampered with in the past. Cllr Davies asked if the one in Cilgerran and Penybryn could be included. PC Jones explained that budgets have been cut so police officers are not seen walking the beat. They have become departmentalised and cover a wide area. The majority of their work consists of safe guarding and they work in conjunction with social services, as sexual offences are high. Members asked certain questions relating to Cilgerran and PC Griffiths confirmed that a community surgery should be held at the village shop on a monthly basis. Cllr Bellamy thanked the officers for their informative and interesting talk.

391 Minutes of the meeting held on 27th November 2017. The Clerk asked for clarification to minute (385.1) as to whether a donation could be made to G Green. Minutes proposed as correct by Cllr Williams and seconded by Cllr Wimhurst.

**392 Matters Arising**

392.1 Village Caretaker – The Chairman asked that clarification of the difference of opinion between Cllr Wimhurst and Cllr Griffiths be dealt with firstly. Cllr Wimhurst explained that the resolution made at the September meeting should not change. The Community Council’s Standing Orders state that we may not reverse a decision within six months except either by a special motion, which requires written notice by at least four councillors, or by a motion moved in pursuance of the recommendation of a committee. Cllr Davies stated that matters have since progressed as two quotations for the work have been received.

 The quotations were discussed at length. It was agreed that the Clerk, Cllrs Bellamy & Wimhurst would look into the tenders in more detail, meet with Mr Bishop to establish the time it would take to cut grass at a certain site. Also the Clerk was asked to contact ATG to check if the cost included VAT.

392.2 Playground – The Clerk reported that a letter was received from Rev Peter Ratcliffe confirming that there was no objection to carry a pipe across the school field and to use the vicarage field as a soak away. Cllr Davies asked if permission would be required from the governing body of the Church of Wales. Cllr N Evans confirmed that he would liaise with the Reverend and report back at the next meeting.

392.3 Pedestrian Crossing – Cllr Davies reported that following the article in the Corwg, there had been no interest shown in the role of lollipop person. He confirmed that he would ask if an employee would be interested at the school, failing this, the County Council would advertise the job in July.

392.4 Pavements at Castell Corwg – Cllr Davies reported that Mr T I Davies had not been in contact as promised so he would contact him to arrange a meeting.

392.5 Parc Y Dre – Cllr Bottom confirmed that the job had not yet been done, but he would liaise with Cllr Thomas to complete it before the next meeting.

392.6 Village Parking – Cllr G Evans asked if a car park could be situated at the back end of the football field. Cllr Davies confirmed that there would be a problem with access. Cllr Williams asked if some spaces could be made available on the section of grass opposite the Babell Chapel. Cllr Davies confirmed that the lane was owned by the Town Trust, there would be a problem with ground levels and the greenery gets narrow on one end. A possible viable space would be the garage but the site would have to be decontaminated.

392.7 Millenium Casket – Cllr Davies reported that he had inspected the stone and confirmed that the base had crumbled slightly but the stone seems to be fine. No further action to be taken.

392.8 Closure of Bank – The Clerk reported that the National Westminster Bank in Cardigan was due to close in May. Cllr Williams suggested that any banking could be carried out at the post office.

392.9 Parc Y Pwmp – Cllr Wimhurst asked if the table and benches could be fixed to the ground, preventing them from being moved in future. Cllr Wimhurst agreed to search for appropriate fixings.

**393 Correspondence.**

393.1 Pembs C/C – Local Development Plan Update – Delay to call for candidate sites. Councillor’s name to be provided as a contact during LDP Review. Cllr Davies explained that he is involved in the adoption of the plans so he cannot be named. The nominated member would have to attend seminars and liaise with the department. No one offered to put their name forward.

393.2 Trusted Hand – a new service for people living in Cilgerran. Seen and noted.

393.3 Welsh Government – Appropriate sum for the purpose of Section 137(4) (A) of the Local Government Act 1972 for Community and Town Councils in Wales for 2018-19 is £7.86 per elector. Seen and noted.

393.4 Paul Davies AM – Timetable received for Advice Surgeries. Seen and noted.

393.5 Welsh Government – Public Health (Wales) Act 2017 section 8: local toilets strategies – Consultation document on statutory guidance for local authorities. Information on the website. Seen and noted.

393.6 Pembrokeshire County Council – Budget Consultation 2018-2019. Have your say on the website. Seen and noted.

393.7 Cadw – Resident passes will now become Cadw Monument Passes. Passes can be applied for online. Cllr Williams confirmed that she would contact Cadw to obtain some form of explanatory and information leaflet or poster to put in the village shop.

393.8 Pembrokeshire County Council – Budget reductions & medium term financial plan. Cllr Davies suggested that members be mindful to include the possible extra cost in next years’ precept request should there be a need to hold a Community Council election.

393.9 Law Commissioner – Planning Law in Wales – Consultation paper available on the website. Seen and noted.

393.10 Pembrokeshire County Council - Community Resilience Guidance for Practitioners – how to deal with emergencies and disasters. Information on the website. Seen and noted.

393.11 Welsh Government & Defra – Joint consultation on proposals to tackle crime & poor performance in the waste sector. See website. Seen and noted.

393.12 One Voice Wales – General Data Protection Regulations need to comply with by 25.5.2018. Data Protection Officer to be appointed. The Clerk will carry this forward for when further information is received.

**394 Development Control.**

 **Planning Applications:**

394.1 15, Maes Yr Orsaf, Cilgerran – Oak tree located at neighbouring property number 14 overhanging to property number 15. Prune back overhanging branches encroaching property – 17/0823/TF. No objections.

**395 Finance**

 Balance as at close of meeting 27/11/2017 Current Account £8,648.48

 Reserve Account £6,290.31

 Total £14,938.79

 **Payments**

395.1 Valeria Varney (Nov Salary) £282.07

395.2 Valeria Varney (Dec Salary) £282.07

395.3 Br. Legion (Wreath) £25.00

 Total Payments £589.14

 **Income**

395.4 Bank Interest £0.47

395.5 Pembs C/C (Precept) £5,000.00

 Total Income £5,000.47

 Balance as at close of meeting 22/1/2018 Current Account £13,059.34

 Reserve Account £6,290.78

 Total £19,350.12

395.6 The above payments were proposed as correct by Cllr Thomas and seconded by Cllr N Evans.

**396 County Councillor’s Report**

396.1 Cllr Davies reported that during the recent flooding there was a property that nearly flooded, the fire brigade was called and sand bags were deployed. Penllyn area remains a flooding problem. The senior highways engineer will be meeting Cllr Davies next week to discuss the matter.

396.2 Cllr Davies confirmed that the County is looking at increasing the council tax by 12.5%, something that Cllr Davies does not agree with as he believes it shouldn’t be more than 5%. In cash terms Pembrokeshire will still be cheaper than Ceredigion who will be increasing by 4%. He suggested that members share their views ‘have your say’ on the website.

396.3 Cllr Davies confirmed that the new bus shelter by Dog Food Dave won’t progress for the time being as the bus routes are currently being reviewed.

396.4 The gritting routes are also being reviewed.

396.5 There are 17 street lights in the area not working currently.

396.6 The next phase for the one way system on the bridge is still going ahead.

**397 Any Other Business.**

397.1 Cllr Bottom reported that there are trees overhanging the pavement by Maes y Neuadd, which is causing problems with visibility. . Cllr Davies confirmed that he would arrange to have them cut.

397.2 Cllr McEneany reported that there is a drum full of liquid in Parc Y Dre. Cllr G Evans confirmed that he would take a look and have it removed.

 Meeting closed at 9pm.

 Date of next meeting: 26th February 2018

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 Chairman

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 Clerk to Cilgerran Community Council