

St Florence Community Council
Ordinary Meeting
Held at the Village Hall, St Florence
Tuesday 6th March 2018

Sarah Hughes
314/18

Attendees: Councillors S Hughes (Chair), D Evans, Cllr P Kidney, Jeff Evans, Hugh Morgan, R Ruff (Clerk)

Public Participation: The Vicar of St Florence Church attended the meeting to inform the councillors that a Heritage Lottery Grant had been secured for the church for £115,000, this has been given to make good the Towers within the Church. Clauses within the Grant mean that the Church must raise £23,000 of their own funds. The Vicar asked is there is anything the Community Council can do to help? The Chair offered the Village Hall and playing fields free of charge to the Church. The Chairman suggested that if necessary she could ask Valero Volunteers Group if they could help with any events that may be put on in the future? Fundraising event idea's that were discussed were:

100 Club

Friends of St Florence Church to arrange events?

Village Duck Race

Auction of Promises

Quiz Night

Also discussed were additional ways to boost Church activity and planned events – more Facebook exposure, village newsletter, welcome letter to new residents/tourists.

1. **Apologies:** Cllr Robert Hughes
2. **Declarations of Interest:** None declared
3. **Signing of previous Minutes of last meeting held 6th February 2018:** Minutes approved by Council, signed by Chair.
4. **Matters Arising (for information only)**
 - 4.1. Cowley Builders Invoices Carried forward to next meeting
 - 4.2. Car Park Flood Lights Timers – Carried forward to next meeting
 - 4.3. Church Farm Landscapes quote for tree felling in the Spring Re-schedule for May Meeting.
5. **To receive and consider the following Planning Applications/Notifications below:**
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7. Correspondence Received

- Pembrokeshire County Council – A letter has been received from County Council advising of Presept amount. No action required.
- An email was received from a member of the public with regards to outside Flood lights. No more action required.

Accounts and Finances

7.1 Bank Reconciliations as at 13th February 2018 – These were presented to be signed off.

7.2 Checking of Bank Reconciliations by non-signatory member – Mr Hugh Morgan checked and signed off reconciliations.

7.3 Invoices for payments – Cheques written out to:

- Rachel Ruff (salary)
- Meg Stroude (Cleaner wage)
- A Brace (windows)

1. **Items for April 2018 Meeting and Year Planner – Decide on Accountant for Audit 2018**
2. **County Councillors Report**

Cllr Kidney reported on:

- Pot holes in road running along side Manor House have been rectified.
- Cllr Kidney had a meeting with Director of Education. Explanation was given with regards to the recent Red banding on School Reports for Greenhill and Bush Schools. The Director of Education commented that the banding doesn't reflect on how well the school is performing but on how much time the school is offered in the way of outside resources. It is also noted that the new Head of Greenhill has not long been in position. The Director also stated that she would be happy to visit the area and hold a meeting with any parents with concerns over the recent Audit.
- Concerns over the parking on Morgan's Terrace, High Street. Local PCSO will do a letter drop to all residents in the area with regards to parking on High Street.

Meeting Closed at 20.50 hours.