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Manordeifi Community Council

Minutes of the meeting held at Abercych Village Hall on Tuesday 13th of March 2018 at 7.45p.m

147. PRESENT

Cllrs - Mr Alan Wilson (Chairman); Mr Alan Ford, Mrs Liz Hall, M/s Caroline Davies, Mr Aled Lewis and County Cllr John Davies (Deputy Clerk).

148. APOLOGIES

Cllr Mrs Margery Sullivan

149. Minutes of the monthly meeting held on the 12th February 2018

After circulation of the minutes, they were signed by the Chairman as a correct record. It was a unanimous decision proposed by Cllr Alan Ford and seconded by Cllr Liz Hall.

Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting.

150. Meeting with Abercych Hall Committee. Two office holders from the Village Hall Committee were present to discuss matters appertaining to whether the hall committee should be VAT registered and issues surrounding disabled access to the hall. Limited liability of hall committee members was also discussed. It was agreed that any disabled access changes should be affordable and simple and the advantages of being VAT registered were outweighed by disadvantages of increase process against marginal financial gains. All present found the discussion helpful.

151. Response from Dwr Cymru – A response was received from Dwr Cymru clarifying their position in relation to future development at Abercych. It stated there were no issues of capacity on the sewerage network that they are aware of however, there is currently limited capacity at the Wastewater Treatment Works. Their Forward Planning colleagues are currently working with Pembrokeshire County Council on the Local Development Plan Review and will update the council accordingly throughout the LDP process. At present, DC evaluates any proposed development within the village catchment on a case by case basis when they are consulted through the planning process. Members welcomed the clarification.

152. Council Tax - County Cllr John Davies provided an update on the decision of the County Council to raise Council Tax by 12.5%. Cllr Davies reassured the members that he spoke and voted against the rise on the basis that the Council had since 1996 been able to provide services at a much reduced cost in comparison to its neighbouring authorities. Cllr Davies was of the view the increase was not justified.

153. Unlawful excavation on land owned by Mr Harris Ffosyficer. – Members were informed that enforcement action had been instigated and work had stopped, with an application pending.

Correspondence

154. Letter from Beulah Community Council – Bus Shelter – Newbridge. It was decided to consider the making a financial contribution at the next meeting, once members had ascertained the number of individuals from Abercych using the bus shelter.

155. Planning Application - 17/1143/PA - Proposed storage shed Manordeifi Cottage Llechryd - Members decided to offer no objections but raised concerns regarding that part of the site appeared to be built up ground.

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Financial Matters

156. Balance as of 13/03/18 net of all outstanding cheques – Treasures Acc £74.27p as per circulated bank statement. Was seen and noted.

157. £1,833 first precept for 2018/19 due 29th of April. Was noted.

Any other business

158. Annual Dinner – It was agreed to hold the annual dinner on the 12th May 2018 at the Nags Head at 7.30pm. Clerk to make the necessary arrangements.

159. Flowers for flower beds – It was agreed to purchase flowers and compost as usual for the beds and hanging baskets from Penrallt Nurseries as last year.

160. Annual Maintenance of Millennium Garden- It was agreed review the summer maintenance arrangements for the garden and watering of flowers at the next meeting.

161. Cllr Lewis raised concern to the untidy condition of the footway surface on the Abercych approach at Newchapel. County Cllr Davies would get it seen to.

162. Cllr Hall asked for an update on the footway extension from Newchapel to Porthycrwydryn. Clerk to follow it up.

Date and time of next meeting

163. Monthly meeting Tuesday 10th April 2018 at Newchapel at 7.45pm