

St Florence Community Council
Ordinary Meeting
Held at the Village Hall, St Florence
Tuesday 3rd April 2018

Sarah Hughes
11/5/18

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

Public Participation: Mrs Julie Muckleston attended the April meeting to discuss an event to raise money for the Church funds. Mrs Muckleston asked the Council whether they would be happy if a Dog Show was arranged using the village hall and playing fields. The Council were all in favour of Dog Show to raise much needed funds for the Church. It was stressed, that this is a special event and the usual 'dog ban' will stay in effect on the playing fields. The group putting together the event must take responsibility for the field on the day and make sure it is cleaned after the event, any dog fouling must be cleared up by owners.

1. **Apologies:** Cllr Robert Hughes, Mr Hugh Morgan
2. **Declarations of Interest:** None declared
3. **Signing of previous Minutes of last meeting held 6th March 2018:** Minutes approved by Council, signed by Chair.
4. **Matters Arising (for information only)**
 - 4.1. 2017 Audit Preparations – Cllr Kidney to give the Clerk the name of the accountant that Manorbier use for their Audit.
 - 4.2. Issy Gibbs, Grant Thornton – Correspondence has been received from Grant Thornton to advise that the paper work for the Audit will be late this year due to printing errors at the National Assemblée.
 - 4.3. Village Hall Flood Lights – Timers have been fitted to the car park lights, the lights will go off at 11.30 pm every night.
5. **To receive and consider the following Planning Applications/Notifications below:**
 - 5.1 Trintex, High Street, St Florence, Pembrokeshire, SA70 8LJ – PLANNING CONSENT GIVEN
6. **Village Hall and Village Hall Matters – To receive and consider the following:**
 - 6.1. Tree Felling – Nigel Davies – Letter from Mr Davies advising of trees that have been removed. No Comments from Council.
 - 6.2. Fund Raising Idea's for St Florence Church – Email from Mrs J Muckleston – Please see Public Participation.
 - 6.3. Smart Gardens 2018 Contract – The first cut in the village took place on the 21st March, Smart Gardens will continue with contract as per last year, price of contract will remain the same. This was put into the budget for 2018.

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7. Correspondence Received

- Letter from Young Farmers asking for donations. Sadly the St Florence Community Council don't have available funds at this time to give donations. The letter will be kept on file.
- Email from Wales Audit Office. Deryck Evans. Information purposes only.

8.Accounts and Finances

- 8.1 Bank Reconciliation's as at 13th March 2018 – These were presented to be signed off.
- 8.2 Checking of Bank Reconciliation's by non-signatory member – Mr Jeff Evans checked and signed off reconciliations.
- 8.3 Invoices for payments – Cheques written out to:
 - Rachel Ruff (salary)
 - Meg Stroude (Cleaner wage)
 - A Brace (windows)
 - HMRC

9. Items for May 2018 Meeting and Year Planner – none.

10. County Councillors Report

Cllr Kidney reported on:

- 12.5% increase on Council Tax has been agreed. With 18% increase agreed for second homes. The County Council has advised that some of the money from second home council tax will be disseminated through to local councils.
- Trevellyn Country Park, Devonshire Drive - Planning Department have voted for further discussion on this matter.
- The Welsh Government have confirmed that black refuse collection, will be changed to three weekly collections instead of fortnightly. Orange bags will continue to be collected weekly

Meeting Closed at 20.30 hours.