

St Florence Community Council
Ordinary Meeting
Held at the Village Hall, St Florence
Tuesday 11th September 2018

Attendees: Councillors S Hughes (Chair), D Evans, R Ruff (Clerk)

Public Participation: Mrs Julie Muckleston attended the meeting on behalf of St Florence Church, she gave thanks to the Community Council for donating the playing field and hall for the dog show day in August. A great afternoon was had by all and over £1000 was raised for church fund. It was noted there was excess bric-a-brac that was donated by the public left over. The items left were sorted and have been given to charity by the church.

There was a complaint received after the event from the football club, who felt that dog mess had been left on the field and not cleared up properly. Mrs Muckleston commented that every effort was made after the event to clear up, there were also signs during the event on the field in various places asking owners to clear up after their dogs, dog mess bags were also provided for owners at the event.

In total £14,000 has been raised to date by the Church Fund Committee from various fund raisers and events.

1. **Apologies:** Cllr P Kidney, Mr Jeff Evans, Mr Hugh Morgan. It is officially noted that Cllr R Hughes has now formally resigned from the Council, thank you to him for all his efforts during his time with the Community Council.

2. **Declarations of Interest:** None declared

3. **Signing of previous Minutes of last meeting held in July 2018:** Minutes approved by the Chairman and signed off.

4. **Matters Arising (for information only)**

4.1 National Lottery Application - The application for the lottery grant was sadly turned down by the National Lottery Fund. The grant was asked for to purchase 3 defib machines for the local community of St Florence. The National Lottery Fund felt that this purchase and associated project offered by the council didn't encompass their values for community involvement/engagement. They did offer that an application for the defib machines would be better received by the British Heart Foundation, where grants are given for providing defib machines to local communities. The Clerk will work forward with this and contact the BHF.

4.2 Church Letter Defib - A kind letter was received from Rev Alex Grace agreeing to the proposal to have a mobile phone aerial placed on the tower of the church roof. The Chair agreed to investigate what phone company to approach to take this matter forward.

4.3 Holiday Pay R.Ruff & M Stroude - A notice had been supplied from the payroll department directly to the Chairman supplying a figure for holiday owed in arrears to the two employees of the Community Council. It was agreed moving forward the holiday pay will be paid once a year in September to both employees.

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- 4.4 Grass Cutting Playing Fields – A warm thanks is extended to Mr Jeff Evans and his helpers for cutting the grass on the playing fields. Mr Evans has volunteered to keep on top of grass cutting to save the community money in having a professional company in to do it.
- 4.5 Bonfire Night – Autumn Raffle tickets are being sold. All proceeds from the raffle will be split between St Florence School and the St Florence Church.
5. **Village Hall and Village Hall Matters – To receive and consider the following:**
- 5.1 The Parsonage Brambles -The overhanging brambles at the Parsonage Inn is the responsibility of The Parsonage and doesn't lie with the Community Council.
- 5.2 Football Training Email from Reg Owen -The Chair has said she would reply directly to this email.
- 5.3 Disabled Toilet Village Hall -The Clerk was asked to contact a Locksmith to meet Hazel at the village hall to sort out the lock.
- 5.4 Letter from Welsh Water – There has been a sudden increase in the water bill for the Village Hall. The Clerk was actioned to contact Welsh Water for advice on why this increase has occurred.
6. **Accounts and Finances**
- 6.1 Bank Reconciliation as at 13 August 2018 – These were presented to be signed off. No one present to sign off carried over to next meeting.
- 6.2 Checking of Bank Reconciliation by non-signatory member – no one present to sign off, carried over to next month.
- 6.3 Invoices were passed off for payment, cheques were signed by Cllr S Hughes and Cllr E Evans.
7. **Items for October 2018 Meeting and Year Planner** – Bonfire Night Poster put up
8. **County Councillors Report**
- Cllr Kidney was unable to attend.
- Meeting Closed 2115 hrs. Next Meeting: 2nd October 2018

P. J. Jeff Evans.
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