Llanddewi Velfrey Community Council

Minutes of meeting held Wednesday 13th September 2018

The meeting was formally opened by the Chair.

Present: Cllr Jamie Lewis (Chair); Cllr Wynn Griffiths; Cllr Tudor Eynon; Cllr Keith Thomas; Cllr Deryck Prosser.

1 – Apologies for absence.

Apologies were received from Cllr Meurig James and County Cllr David Simpson.

2 – Declarations of interest.

Cllr Lewis declared an interest in planning application 18/0422/PA.

3 – Minutes of previous meeting.

There were accepted as a true record and agreed – proposed by Cllr Thomas and seconded by Cllr Eynon. They were duly signed.

4 – Matters arising from previous meeting.

A40 update. It had been announced in the previous few days that Arup had been awarded the contract to finish the preliminary design, detailed Environmental Impact Assessment and take the scheme through the statutory process. Construction was anticipated to start in 2020, with the draft orders published, and a meeting held in the community, in December 2018. This was discussed and it was agreed the Clerk should write to the Minister involved requesting assurances that community benefits would be specifically included within any tender and decision making process, and that the design would not differ from that agreed by Carillion after the earlier public consultation.

5 – New business.

Remembrance Service arrangements. It was agreed to have this on Sunday 11th November, in the Hall at 2.00pm, and afterwards at the memorial. The Clerk was requested to arrange the purchase of the wreath, as last year. Cllr Thomas would ask Albert Fraser to lay it, as an exserviceman. Cllr Eynon would borrow the collection box from Bethel, and he and Cllr Thomas would arrange the seating. Cllr Lewis would arrange for the various ministers involved and would contact Julie Young about being the organist.

Dog fouling. Signs had been put up, and appeared to have some effect. It was agreed the Clerk should request that the PCC enforcement provision could be specifically notified of the issue.

Newsletter. The Council was aware that this had now ceased, and expressed their disappointment. They noted that the donation for the summer and autumn editions had been returned uncashed.

External audit report. This had not arrived by the time of the meeting.

Chair for 2019-20. For personal reasons Cllr Eynon did not feel he could fulfil the role next year. It was agreed that Cllr Thomas would take on the role.

6 - County Councillor's report.

There was no report from Cllr David Simpson in his absence.

7 – Correspondence received.

- Thoracic surgery in Wales consultation.
- Gambling consultation by PCC.
- One Voice Wales meeting and information, plus AGM information.
- PCC off street parking order variation notification.
- PCC enforcement against littering, dog-fouling, anti-social behaviour.

8 – Planning.

18/0334/PA. Retrospective landscaping works to garden and driveway access alteration. Pen Hendre, Llanddewi Velfrey. This had been previously circulated to all – no objections had been raised.

18/0422/PA. Proposed stables. Land at Caerau Farm, Llanddewi Velfrey. Received by PCC 30-7-18. This had been previously circulated to all – no objections had been raised. Cllr Lewis had declared a personal (family) interest in this.

18/0525/PA. Conservatory to home art studio. Yr Hen Beudy, Pengawse Hill. This was discussed, and no objections raised.

18/0490/PA. Retrospective consent for an existing store building, and an extension, erection of a stable building and installation of access. Rhos-Fach, Clynderwen. This was discussed, and no objections raised.

9 – Finance.

The Clerk had previously circulated a document with the current state of the Council's finances, and comparing budgeted and actual expenditure to date. This was reviewed and discussed.

Bank balance as of 4-9-18, including bequest, after below cheques deducted: £3566.85. With bequest removed - £2,389.99

Received into account since the last meeting – Precept for £1733.00

Bills to pay:

- Clerk's salary for August and September.
- Clerk's expenses £32.19.
- Llewelyn Davies outstanding audit fees £220 outstanding. It was agreed to additionally pay £100.00 towards these.

It was agreed that the above payments should be made - proposed by Cllr Griffiths, seconded by Cllr Eynon, and agreed unanimously.

10 – Councillors' reports for action at next meeting.

Cllr Thomas raised concerns about a number of trees with damaged or rotten branches overhanging paths and properties in various areas of the village, particularly near Ivy Lodge. The Clerk would contact Cllr Simpson.

Cllr Thomas also raised the issue of speeding in the village – a number of residents had raised the issue with him. It was agreed the Clerk should contact Cllr. Simpson regarding the possibility of mobile speed camera deployment in the near future.

Cllr Lewis stated that he would be looking into defibrillator provision for the next meeting.

11 – Next meeting.

It was agreed that the next meetings should be on 14th November, in the Hall, starting at 8.00pm.

The meeting closed at 8.40pm.