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HERBRANDSTON
COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 14TH NOVEMBER 2012

Cllr H Lloyd
Cllr S Davey

Cllr R Owens
Cllr P Philpin

Clerk. Clive Griffith

Apologies. Cllr J Batey, Cllr S Reynolds.

Members of the Public. Simon Kitrick, Sheila Kitrick, Gill Peace, Colin Reynolds, Marilyn Woosey, Jane Ingram, Steve Ingram, Ann Kerr.

1. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 12th September 2012, having been circulated, were accepted as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Davey and seconded by Cllr Owens.

2. MATTERS ARISING.

i. Sandy Haven Car Park.

The Clerk was awaiting a reply from the solicitor. It was agreed by the meeting to obtain a quote from another solicitor for pursuing this matter. The Clerk will enquire with Steve Thomas of Llangwm.

ii. Footpath.

The footpath was nearly completed. The Clerk had spoken to PCC regarding resurfacing the footpath outside the school. They had agreed it needed doing but did not have the money at present. They had agreed to extend the footpath towards Milford to provide a safer crossing point, further away from the bend. Cllr Owens said that concerns had been raised about horses using the path and fouling it. He had spoken to Gavin Pritchard at PCC, who had said that as the path was part of the highway there was no legislation to stop horses using it. Cllr Owens had also spoken to local horse riders who had agreed to return and pick up droppings the same day. It was agreed that the Clerk would include an article in Peninsula Paper and get a written response from PCC regarding the use of the path.

iii. Website.

It was hoped to have the website up and running early in 2013.

iv. Road by sewerage works.

Work had been done by PCC outside Herbrandston Hall and the flooding problem there had been solved

v. Firework Display

The firework display had been a great success.

vi. Proposed Power Plant at South Hook.

The Chairman reported that a presentation had been held at the village Hall which had been well attended.

vii. Defibrillator.

The Clerk had been contacted by British Heart Foundation who might be in a position to provide the village with a defibrillator for free. Money was being provided by a local company who wished to remain anonymous. To be discussed further when a decision was made.

viii. Sir Benfro site.

Cllr Batey had been in contact with a planning inspector from National Park who was attempting to contact the developer.

ix. Christmas Tree.

The Chairman said that the tree had been ordered and that some new lights would be needed. It was proposed by Cllr Davey and seconded by Cllr Philpin that Cllr Lloyd would purchase what was needed.

x. Noise Pollution.

At this juncture Mr Ingram interrupted and asked the Clerk if he had changed the minutes of the last meeting to comply with Mr Ingram's demands. The Clerk said that he had not and explained his reasons for not doing so. The Chairman said that the minutes had been adopted. Mr Ingram then said that he would be making a complaint against the Clerk.

At this point several members of the public started speaking at once and Ann Kerr made personal remarks about Cllr Owens. The Chairman pointed out that this was a council meeting and the public could address the council when invited by the Chairman and if this shouting and arguments did not stop he would call the Police to eject members of the public. As the personal comments continued the Chairman said he was going to adjourn the meeting. As this stage Ann Kerr and Gill Peace left the meeting. After a few minutes it was agreed by the councillors to continue the meeting.

xi. Macmilan Coffee Morning.

The coffee morning which had been held under the name of the council had raised £286.75.

3. CORRESPONDANCE.

i. Macmilan Cancer Support

Request for donation

Not in accordance with policy.

ii. Play for Wales

Newsletter

Circulate

iii. Clerks & Councils Direct

Newsletter

Circulate

iv. South Hook LNG

Update of ship noise problem.

The Chairman read a letter which gave an update on a meeting held at South Hook LNG regarding ship Noise. Letter to be displayed on notice board. Cllr Owens said that he was disappointed that only some of the residents had been invited to attend, he felt that the meeting should have been held in the Village Hall and if another meeting was held he would recommend it be held at the hall.

Mr Ingram said that there was another noise which was not ship noise which was causing pollution. The source of the noise had not been identified. A discussion followed and Mr Reynolds provided information. He also made reference to material he had downloaded regarding the proposed power plant.

Mr & Mrs Kitrick also spoke and said that they were disturbed by noise at their house at Rickaston which they thought was coming from Murco..

The Enviromental Agency were now involved and were attempting to trace the source of the noise.

v. One Voice Wales

Newsletter

Circulate

vi. National Park.

Planning Application, The School Herbrandston.

To convert the school into a 10 bedroom hotel.

The plans were discussed and after discussion it was decided not to offer any objection. It was decided to put the plans on display in the village hall for the information of the residents and to allow comments to be made. The Clerk would arrange and put letters on the notice board advertising it.

4. TO CONSIDER A RESPONSE TO ELECTORAL CHANGES IN THE COUNTY OF PEMBROKESHIRE.

The Clerk explained that there were two consultations ongoing, one to change the parliamentary boundaries and one to change county council ward boundaries.

It was decided to offer no comment on the parliamentary boundary changes.

Cllr Owens said that the county council wards would be enlarged to have a minimum of 1700 electors in each ward. It was agreed to await the recommendations of the Boundary Commission before make comments.

5. TO CONSIDER AND DISCUSS JOINING A MULTI COMMUNITY GROUP RE. NOISE POLLUTION.

Following a discussion which included Mr Ingram it was agreed by the council to write to neighbouring councils asking if they would be interested in joining a multi community council group to lobby against noise pollution. he councils invited would be Tiers Cross, Walwyns Castle, St Ishmaels, Dale, Marloes and Angle. The Clerk would write to the councils mentioned.

The Clerk reminded the meeting that he would not be actively involved in this group as it was outside his duties as Clerk to Herbrandston Community Council. The composition of the group would depend on the response received.

6. TO CONSIDER SETTING UP A FUND RAISING GROUP TO RAISE FUNDS FOR REFURBISHMENT OF THE PLAY AREA.

Cllr Owens proposed setting up a fund raising group of villagers for the above mentioned refurbishment as funds and grants were more available to village groups than they were to councils. A poster advertising the setting up of the group would be placed on the notice board and an item included in Peninsula Paper. A meeting would be held in February 2013 if there were interested parties. This was agreed by the meeting.

7. TO DISCUSS AND CONSIDER THE CLERKS SALARY.

The Chairman invited the Clerk to leave the meeting. On the Clerks return the Chairman informed the Clerk that the council had decided to increase the Clerks honorarium to £800 a year.

8. BANK BALANCES.

General Account.	£1040.32
Deposit Account.	£2104.07

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

i. The Clerk suggested setting up a Budget Committee to discuss the precept, consisting of the Chairman, Vice Chairman and the Clerk. They would then report back to the full council. This was agreed.

ii. Broadband

It was agreed Cllr Owens would speak to the regeneration unit to find out what was happening.

10. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

Kayes Fireworks.	£600.00
Cllr Batey, Travelling Expenses.	£16.20
Insurance premium	£607.47
Clerks Telephone (1 year rental)	£150.25
Tom Exeter, Village Warden,	£120.00
M Harris, Grass Cutting	£110.00
Purchase black bags, shredder, photocopied paper.	£48.00
J. Owens, Photocopying	£57.40

This will leave approx. £500 in the general account with a precept payment due in December. It was proposed by Cllr Davey and seconded by Cllr Philpin that the accounts be paid.

11. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 16th January 2013.