#### STACKPOLE AND CASTLEMARTIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting of Stackpole and Castlemartin Community Council held at Bosherston Church Hall on Monday, January 7th 2019, at 7.30pm.

**Present:** Billy Evans (Chair), Haydn Garlick (Vice Chair), Edward Morris, Steve Alderman, Peter Nicholas, David Edwards and the clerk, Rose Kennington Apologies Margot Bateman.

# Update on current issues

- 1. **Stackpole VC School -** sale no news. The councillors asked the clerk to write to Tessa Hodgson and enquire as to what is happening.
- 2. **St. Twynells Bus Shelter –** The councillors asked the clerk to contact Robert Owens again and chase up if they will be allowed to raise the funds as a community and have the bus shelter repaired.
- Councillor Andrew Evans has resigned. As a result of Councillor Andrew Evans resignation, we now have a vacancy for a community Councillor for the Stackpole & Castlemartin area. The council will invite people to apply for co-option with a closing date of 29<sup>th</sup> January 2019.
- 4. Salt Bins The councillors raised the matter that as the weather is getting colder now the salt bins and levels of salt need to be checked ready for the winter.
- 5. Buckspool Farm Pot Hole The councillors asked the clerk to contact Darren Thomas of PCC in relation to the pot hole that has developed just past Buckspool Farm Yard on the right.
- 6. Rural Crime Teams Dyfed Powys has recently announced the inception of the new Rural Crime Teams which have been set up to work within the rural communities dealing with issues associated with farming, agriculture, wildlife and heritage crime. The team have a wealth of experience around all of these matters and they have the time to dedicate to dealing with these concerns and will follow all enquiries up, even if you think it's not worth reporting. It is essential that farmers contact to report all problems like theft, suspicious activity, sheep worrying and they have a team member who is experienced in offering his expertise in crime prevention. One area they would like to expand is the email data-base for the Farm Watch and in order to facilitate this they are requesting for farmers to contact them with their email address and contact numbers.

# NEW CORRESPONDENCE

Letter received from Pembrokeshire County Council in relation to waste and recycling collections over the Christmas and New Year holiday period.

Letter received from the treasurer of St Twynnell's Church requesting a donation towards the cost of the churchyard maintenance.

# **FINANCE**

Balance of Community Account @ December 7th 2018 £544.16

#### Cheques agreed this month:

100177 Clerks Salary £76.83

100178 HMRC Tax November 2018 £19.20

100179 Bosherston Church Hall Room Hire £15.00

100180 Clerk Expenses £7.87

100181 Clerks Salary £76.83

100182 HMRC Tax December 2018 £19.20

100183 St Twynnell's Church Maintenance Grant £100.00

#### **PLANNING**

There were no new planning applications.

# <u>AOB</u>

The councillors asked the clerk to report to Darren Thomas of PCC that the street lights at Woodland Rise, St. Twynnells, and the bottom of Stackpole Village near the bus shelter, the street light opposite St Govan's Inn in Bosherston and the street light in Castlemartin opposite Windsor House are not working.

The councillors asked the clerk to contact Pembrokeshire County Council and inform them that some wood has been fly tipped at Forge Hill near Lyserry, Castlemartin.

The councillors asked the clerk to contact Pembrokeshire County Council in relation to the ivy overgrowing the wall of the old post office in Stackpole which causing pedestrians to have to walk in the road as the path is overgrown. The councillors would like to request that the ivy is cut back as soon as possible.

The councillors asked the clerk to contact Pembrokeshire County Council in relation to drain blockage in Church Road, Castlemartin, Pembroke, SA71 5HN.

The councillors would like to inform the community that there is a community coffee morning 10 am – 12 pm on Saturday the 11<sup>th</sup> January 2019 facilitated by the National Trust at Stackpole.

Internal Audit – with Ann Williams retirement from the role in 2018 creating a vacancy which be fulfilled for 2018-19 by Debbie James.

The budget was reviewed and a decision was made to reduce the precept to £3000 for the year 2019-20.

**Next Meeting:** The meeting closed at 8.30 pm. The council will next meet at Castlemartin Community Hall on Monday 11th February 2019 at 7.30 pm.