MINUTES

Letterston Community Council Meeting

Monday 18th March 2019 at Letterston Memorial Hall

Present: B Morgan (BM)(Chair), Gareth Thomas (GT), R Davies (RD), J Williams (JW), B Homer (BH), G Humphrey (GH), H Johnson (HJ), J Gwilt (JG), Cllr M Bateman (MB) PCC, S Jones (SJ) (*Clerk*)

Apologies: None

18/81 Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting - 18th February 2018 were read and agreed as a true record **P**: JW **S**: RD

Matters Arising

- 17/01 Play Equipment: Work has commenced, suspended due to weather target for completion 21th March.
- 17/03 John Luke's Yard: SJ / MB reported having attended an event at County Hall regarding Community Land Trusts. Whilst the scheme had merits, it was probably not suitable for this piece of land. SJ to instruct agents to place the land back for sale.
- 17/16 Hedgebank: On hold until the spring.
- 17/62 / 18/30 School Crossing Patrol: SWTRA have carried out a survey and confirmed that the crossroads qualifies for a crossing. Timing subject to priorities and budgets [CLOSE 18/30].
- 17/73 Planning Concerns: JG presented an independent engineer's report on the proposed junction showing visibility to the east of 25.4M, below the Vehicle Access Standards minimum of 33M. commissioned into the junction layout. A lengthy discussion took place following which it was resolved:
 - a) SJ to send survey report and papers to planning consultant for comment.
 - b) Invite S Benger to meet with Council to discuss what can be done to improve safety in the area, including entrance to Midland Lane.
- **18/54: Council Vacancy:** SJ confirmed notices had been placed on Notice Board and in Memorial Hall. The period had expired on 15th March and no replies have been received. The option to co-opt a member is now open but there are no known interested parties.
- 18/56: Bus Shelter: Clock now fixed, BM thanked [CLOSE]
- 18/57: Dog Fouling: BM / RD will place signs.
- **18/59: Old Brynawelon site:** SJ stated that he has received a reply from Wolfscastle CC that the matter was referred to PCC Planning who replied that as works had started within the mandated period, there was little that they can do. GH commented that the site does seem to be getting worse [CLOSE].
- **18/66: Bench:** RD confirmed that some of the slats on the seat on Letterston Square will need to be replaced in due course.
- **18/67: Burger Van:** The burger van has been operating without any problems. [CLOSE]
- **18/68 Internal Audit:** Pam Messer has accepted the invitation to carry out this year's internal audit.
- 18/69 Council Correspondence: SJ reported that 10" tablets could be obtained for around £180 and 8" for £140, but members expressed preference for current arrangements [CLOSE]

• 18/70 Planning: SJ to check on planning for a garage being built at Lettards Court

18/82 Planning

No new items

18/83 Finance

- CRUSE request for donations **P** JW **S** BH £20 (cheque 722)
- Pembs County YFC request for donations. Declined due to usual donation to Fishguard YFC.
- PCC toilets £676.16
- Carolyn Jones Planning Services (re 17/73) £432.30.
- Torri Tir Ltd for topographical survey (17/73) £540
- Grass cutting

18/84 Correspondence

- Letter from PCC requesting volunteer to represent community Councils on Standards Committee.
- Report from Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales that from April it will be compulsory for all members of the Community Council to receive a payment of £150 as contribution towards costs and expenses. any member electing not to receive must do so in writing.
- SJ gave a breakdown on finances leading towards the end of the financial year.

18/85 PCC Report

MB confirmed that the budget had been agreed and the Youth Club was protected for another year.

MB sits on a working group examining Scrutiny Committees. There are currently five and very little input from the public, even though community councils and the public are entitled to do so. MB will share the work programme via SJ.

Questions were raised regarding school meal arrears and outstanding parking fines.

Any Other Business

18/86: Sewer behind Hydrfle: There is a blockage causing flooding to gardens. SJ to ask Alan James to investigate.

18/87: Fly Tipping: SJ to pass onto PCC that cannula bags have been fly tipped along the road leading from Clynderwen Farmers back to the A40.

Date of Next Meeting:

Subject to availability of S Benger

Items for the next Agenda:

17/01 Play Equipment, 17/03 John Luke's Yard 17/16 Hedgebank 17/62 School Crossing patrol 17/73 Planning concerns 18/56 Bus Shelter 18/57 Dog Fouling 18/70 Planning 18/86 Sewer 18/87 Fly Tipping