

Llanddewi Velfrey Community Council

Minutes of meeting held Wednesday 8th May 2019

The meeting was formally opened by the Chair.

Present: Cllr Keith Thomas (Chair); Cllr Wynn Griffiths; Cllr Tudor Eynon; Cllr Deryck Prosser; County Cllr David Simpson.

1 – Apologies for absence.

Apologies were received from Cllrs Jamie Lewis and Meurig James.

2 – Declarations of interest.

Cllr Griffiths declared a personal interest regarding the LDP candidate site item, from his association with one of the individuals concerned.

3 – Minutes of previous meeting.

There were accepted as a true record and agreed – proposed by Cllr Eynon and seconded by Cllr Griffiths, agreed by all present. They were duly signed.

4 – Matters arising from previous meeting.

A40 update. The Arup Project Manager had informed the Clerk that draft orders were scheduled to be published in June, along with an exhibition at that time in Llanddewi Velfrey Hall. It was agreed after discussion that there was nothing the Council could do to hasten the process.

Defibrillator. The Clerk has previously circulated that the Council had obtained funding from South Hook LNG via PAVS for the defibrillator. The cheque had been received and banked, and a cheque would be drawn and sent to Tenby and Saundersfoot First Responders to supply the defibrillator and cabinet. In addition a donation had been received from the Dean Mason Memorial Fund towards defibrillator provision. After discussion it was agreed that if it was possible to gain sufficient funding to provide a second defibrillator, this could potentially be placed on the Hall.

5 – New business.

- Federation of Ysgol Gymunedol Brynconin and Ysgol Gymunedol Maenclochog. This was noted.
- Whitland recycling centre - changes to access. Cllr Simpson provided the background to this – that it had been a change brought about by changes to recycling provision in Swansea County which had resulted in significant recycling waste from that County being passed by householders onto Carmarthenshire facilities. As such, despite the reluctance to make the change, it had been necessary. The Clerk also provided a notice regarding changes to the way Pembrokeshire would be managing waste from June.
- LDP additional sites. One additional site within the area of Llanddewi Velfrey had been proposed, which was discussed. The Clerk was requested to forward the Council's viewpoints to PCC.

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6 – County Councillor's report.

The County Councillor stated that Llandaff Row had been resurfaced. He also stated that the route to the Church had been repaired and pots holes once again filled in. He mentioned that he had responded to a complaint that the LDP had not been publicised adequately with evidence of the publicity that had been carried out. He also stated that there continued to be cost savings achieved amongst the staffing of PCC.

7 – Correspondence received.

- LDP additional candidate sites – consultation until 6th June.
- Long Course weekend – 6th/7th July. Cllr Simpson stated that the Streetcare teams were working with representatives of the organisers to accommodate the issues that had been raised with the planned route.
- EU elections candidate list.

8 – Planning.

Application 18/1168/PN. Proposed installation of telecommunications equipment. Land off Old Field Rd, Llanddewi Velfrey. SA67 7EG. Unconditionally approved.

Application 18/1177/PA. Proposed single storey extension and internal alterations. Gwyndy Fach, Llanddewi Velfrey. Conditionally approved.

Application 19/0027/PA. Pole height increases 132Kv A route. Panteg to Llandre, Llanddewi Velfrey. No objections raised.

Application 18/1285/PA. Construction of agricultural shed for the keeping of livestock and agricultural equipment. In retrospect. Field near Tir Bach, Llanddewi Velfrey. No objections raised.

9 – Finance.

The Clerk circulated a document with the current state of the Council's finances, and comparing budgeted and actual expenditure to date. The latest bank statements were also made available. This was reviewed and discussed.

The Clerk stated that membership of SLCC would be £10.75 for the coming year. It was agreed that the Council would pay this sum. The annual data protection fee was also raised – after discussion it was agreed the Clerk should set up a direct debit for this to benefit from the £5.00 reduction in charge annually.

Bank balance main account as of 1-5-19 was £4913.27 after below cheques deducted. With the bequest removed: £3736.41

Invoices to pay this month:

- Clerk's salary for April and May.
- Clerk's expenses for April and May - £33.99
- Clerk's tax April and May - £40.70
- Tenby and Saundersfoot First Responders - £1250.00 for defibrillator and cabinet.
- ICO Data Protection fee - £35.00 (to be done by direct debit annually)

The Clerk reported that £1500.00 had been received from South Hook LNG via PAVS as noted above, which had been deposited, as well as a cheque for £500.00 from the Dean Mason Memorial Fund, which would be deposited shortly.

Bank balance second account - £219.00 as of 1-5-19

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

In addition the internal auditor wished the following payment sums recorded for transparency:

Clerk total claimed expenses in 2018-19: May £75.17, July £53.44, September - £32.19, November - £31.61, January - £42.23, March - £33.87.

Precept received in December- £1733.00

Donation towards the Hall insurance - £483.28

10 – Councillors’ reports for action at next meeting.

The amount of litter on the footpath between Maes y Dderwen and the A40 adjacent to the petrol station was raised. A litter bin was considered, but the issue of ongoing emptying could be a problem. Cllr Simpson stated he believed that footpath had now been adopted by PCC.

The recent accident to the west of the village had caused concern, especially with the taking down of the powerline for a number of hours. As yet the reason for the accident was unknown

11 – Next meeting.

It was agreed that the next meetings should be on 10th July, in the Hall, starting at 8.00pm.

The meeting closed at 9.10pm.