

Llanddewi Velfrey Community Council

Minutes of meeting held Wednesday 11th September 2019

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

The meeting was formally opened by the Chair and all those present welcomed.

1 – Apologies for absence.

Apologies were received from Cllr Meurig James and County Cllr David Simpson – these and the reasons for absence were accepted by the Council.

2 – Declarations of interest.

Cllr Lewis declared a personal interest in the one planning application which had not yet been decided for family reasons (19/0296/PA).

3 – Minutes of previous meeting.

There were accepted as a true record and agreed – proposed by Cllr Prosser 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 passed on the latest information, which had been circulated. At the draft orders exhibitions there had been a number of issues raised verbally – it was emphasised that these would need to be sent in writing to the Welsh Government by the closing date of 20th September. The Council was aware that there were some concerns over PMAs which were still subject to discussion.

Defibrillator. The final paperwork and report for the grant from South Hook LNG had been completed by the Clerk – it was reviewed by those present and duly signed by the Chairman. It was agreed that the Clerk should order a defibrillator for location on the Hall, and that the training be done once that was in position so as to get the maximum benefit from it. The Hall Committee had agreed to contribute funding towards the unit.

5 – New business.

Remembrance Day arrangements. It was agreed to have the service on Sunday 10th 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, to be delivered to Cllr Lewis. Cllr Thomas would request Mr. Richardson to lay it, as an ex-serviceman. Cllr Eynon would arrange for the collection box from Bethel and with Cllr Thomas would arrange the seating. Cllrs Lewis and Eynon would contact the various ministers involved and ask Julie Young to be the organist.

External audit report. This had been received. The Council had been given an unqualified audit, with no issues raised, apart from the accidental ticking of one box wrongly. The Council were pleased the audit had gone well.

Debris and soil transportation. Cllr Prosser provided information on residents' concerns about the considerable amount of soil that was being transported in the area, including down

narrow lanes, as part of a building contract. This had been raised with PCC, and the soil moving had now stopped. After discussion it was agreed to have this on the agenda for the next meeting to review, and that in the meantime residents should raise their concerns again if it restarted.

6 – County Councillor’s report.

In his absence there was no report from the County Councillor. .

7 – Correspondence received.

- Review of electoral arrangements for Pembrokeshire
- Enhancing Pembrokeshire grants – up to £5000 available plus portion of underspend from previous year. Community groups can apply.
- PCC draft supplementary planning guidance - landscape – consultation until 16th September.
- Welsh Govt – National Development Framework.
- PCC – farms estate consultation.

8 – Planning.

Cllr Lewis took no part in the first item.

Application 19/0296/PA. Change of use of existing barn to three bed holiday accommodation. Caerau Farm, Llanddewi Velfrey. This had yet to be decided by PCC.

Application 19/0213/PA. Pantygorphwys Farmhuose. Replace a lawful residential caravan and garden with a dwelling and construction of a new access. This had been refused.

9 – Finance.

The Clerk circulated information on the current state of the Council’s finances. The latest bank statements were also made available. This was reviewed and discussed, and agreed as accurate. The Clerk stated that she would transfer money into the interest account periodically, which was agreed by all present.

Bank balance main account £4670.58 as at 3-9-19. After below cheques deducted - £4,148.72

The second portion of the precept, £1778.00 was received in late August.

Invoices to pay:

- Clerk’s salary for August and September - minus tax - £162.80
- Clerk’s expenses August and September - £30.48
- Clerk’s tax August and September - £40.70
- Llewelyn Davies invoice for internal audit 2018-19 - £60.00
- Hall hire for defibrillator training - £90.00

In addition the final payment to Llewelyn Davies for previous years’ audit fees which was agreed to be paid in July had been made.

Second (spare) account balance £19.00 as at 3-9-19.

Interest account balance £2,600.00 as at 3-9-19

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

10 – Councillors’ reports for action at next meeting.

Cllr Thomas reported that there had been some flytipping on the old Pengawse Hill road. The Clerk would report this to Cllr Simpson.

11 – Next meeting.

It was agreed that the next meetings should be on 13th November 2019, in the Hall, starting at 8.00pm.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm.