

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF EAST WILLIAMSTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER 2014 AT EAST WILLIAMSTON /COMMUNITY HALL AT 7.00PM.

PRESENT: Cllr I Prout (Chair)
Cllr D Beynon
Cllr D McIntosh
Cllr I Wilkinson
Cllr A Ratcliffe
Cllr J Williams

APOLOGIES: Cllr Mrs K Talbot

Cllr C Atkinson
Cllr T Ensom

The clerk was in attendance (Mrs J Clark)

255/13 **DECS OF INTEREST**

None received.

256/13 **MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting held on 7th August 2014 were proposed and seconded. They were agreed as a true record.

257/13 **MATTERS ARISING**

The following matters were raised:

- a) That an account be opened with KP Thomas for fuel as well as Frosts and Farmers Co-op at Sageston.
- b) That the clerk speaks to Colin about obtaining new shackles for all swings.

258/13 **PLAY AREAS**

Pentlepoir: The park is looking fine except for some litter and the clerk was asked to get the bin checked out by PCC for replacement.

Broadmoor : This park also is looking good. Cllr Don Beynon explained about the repairs to the Wetpour stating that he had spoken to Colin who will do the necessary repairs and get new turf. The clerk advised that Bizzy play had provided a quote for the repairs needed and it was agreed that they be asked to carry on with them.

East Williamston: No issues reported. Again looking good and is being well used.

259/13 **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

The following correspondence had been received:

wastewater services. Roads in the area will remain open, but may require temporary traffic lights.

Cllr. Williams told members that the county council's cabinet had recently approved the introduction of new planning policy formalising the process for dealing with non-material alterations to previously approved planning applications. Currently there is no mechanism to do this, and the Welsh Government has introduced new legislation to formalise it.

The legislation guidance does not define "non-material" alterations, however it suggests things to be taken into account should include: scale, impact, interests of any third parties who may be disadvantaged in planning terms, and existing national and local policies, as well as other individual factors relevant to each specific case.

The procedure for making such an application would be simpler than a new general planning application, and would attract a £25 fee for householder development and £83 in all other cases.

Cllr. Williams also informed councillors that, at the same meeting of the county council's cabinet, new regulations and requirements in respect of penalty notices for student absences from school had been adopted.

Certain cases of persistent unauthorised absence can be dealt with by way of a penalty notice which is a fine of up to £120 issued to a parent/carer as a result of a child's regular non-attendance at school.

Head teachers or their deputies and the police are able to request the council issues a penalty notice against the parent/carer of children who regularly fail to attend school. If a penalty notice has been requested, the parent/carer will firstly receive a warning letter giving them 15 days to make an improvement in their child's attendance.

If a penalty notice is subsequently issued, if paid within 28 days it will be reduced by half to £60, however if the fee isn't paid in full by the end of the 42 days, the council can either prosecute or, under limited circumstances, withdraw the notice

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ITEMS REPORTED BY CLLRS

The following items were reported by councillors:

- a) A large area of trees had been cleared in Moreton.
- b) Lease on Jubilee Park extension – this council have agreed to take over the lease on the new area however the Friends have been approached by Modern Print Target Club who are looking to extend their distance to 25 metres and to include archery. They have asked if there is any possibility of using land acquired at Jubilee Park. It was agreed that we carry on with the lease as before and sort this aspect out after. It was proposed to

- c) give them a lease for 25 years on this piece of land separately at a Peppercorn rent and this was agreed in principle.
- d) The noticeboard in Pentlepoir is now on private land since the school was sold. It was agreed to ask Colin to put the noticeboard outside Corner Piece near the seat.
- e) The Clayford Road sign at Cold Inn is missing. The clerk was requested to ask PCC to put it back. Cllr Jacob Williams agreed to deal with this matter.
- f) Station Road, Pentlepoir – this sign is also missing and Cllr Jacob Williams agreed to deal with this also.
- g) The topper has to be cleaned up after each use and this is very time consuming for the volunteers. A new topper is available which will mulch the grass and cut hedges as well. Cllr Don Beynon has obtained a price of £3,350.00 plus VAT from Tooby and Williams at St Clears which is discounted by £1,000.00. A fork for use with this machine is available from Boncath at £100.00 which can be adapted to use with our machine. The other topper can be sold as it will then be surplus to requirements. Those present agree in principle but it will be necessary to hold a special meeting to discuss it in more detail in order to comply with Financial Regulations.

Special meeting to be held on Wed 10th Sept at 7.00pm to discuss this.

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ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None

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DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next ordinary meeting of Council will be held on Thursday 2nd October 2014 at 7.00pm and a Special meeting will be held on Wednesday 10th September 2014 to discuss the purchase of a new topper.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 8.40pm.

Signed.....Chair.....Date

Signed.....Clerk