**Minutes of the meeting of Templeton Community Council**

**Held in the Chapel meeting room, Templeton 21st November 2019**

**Present**: Cllr Peter Morgan (Chairman); Cllrs Jason Jennings, Kathrin Williams, Liz Burns, Barbara Priest, Elwyn Morse.

The meeting was opened by the Chairman, who thanked everyone for attending the first normal meeting in the newly renovated Hall. He also thanked everyone for their help in making the bonfire and firework display so successful.

**1) Apologies for absence**: There were apologies received from Cllrs Charles Hughes and Mark Simpkins.

**2) Disclosure of personal and pecuniary interests**. Cllr Burns declared an interest in the Hall renovation building works and took no part in discussions on that aspect.

**3) Sign minutes of previous meeting** – 17th October and 14th November 2019. These had been previously circulated. With a minor correction to the official Welsh name of the Hall they were considered a true record by all and duly signed by the Chairman.

**3) Report on matters arising from previous minutes and decide further action as required**.

**Hall development project**. The meeting was updated on the final contractual work, and were informed that the bifold doors were due for installation within a fortnight, as were the blinds and shutters for the bar area. The outside slab work was complete. The fencing had been largely completed, with just the top area not done. It was agreed that some sort of barrier was needed to prevent vehicles manoeuvring dangerously – a post and chain or similar barrier would be erected. The weather meant that the banking outside would be done in the spring. In view of local residents’ concerns the external lighting had been reduced to the legal minimum. It was agreed that some form of external sensor lighting was needed for the north entrance to provide safe access to users in and around the step area and for security. This would be done. Keys and fobs were on order, as was the microwave for the utility room. Discussions had been held regarding bar white goods and it was agreed to purchase these independently rather than be tied to one brewery. The dishwasher would be purchased after Christmas. The container used for temporary storage would be emptied in the next couple of weeks. The pump would be relocated to the north end of the Hall. The marking in the car park wold be done after the tarmac was all finished.

The Clerk would contact those who had expressed interest in the cleaning contract to visit the Hall, with a view to the contract starting in January. The Clerk would also contact those who had expressed interest in the window cleaning contract for the same. The grass cutting contract would be starting in April. Information on rules for hirers would be produced and these would be provided to all users. The Clerk would also add the marquee to the insurance.

It was agreed that the formal use of the Hall would start on Monday 9th December. Prior to that an open evening would be held on Friday 6th December between 6.00pm and 8.00pm for the community to come and see the new Hall - those who had expressed interested in hiring it would all be invited, and the event was open to all.

**Play Park**. The timber situation was discussed, and it was agreed to obtain the original specifications for the timber if possible and to get quotations for replacements.

**Boars Head junction.** The concerns had been reported to PCC, and replies received. The Clerk was requested to respond with further information.

**5) New items of business:**

**Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales draft report.** This had been previously circulated, and the Clerk summarised the relevant changes for the meeting.

**Christmas arrangements.** A external tree in a pot would be obtained, since the previously used hole was no longer available. This year there would be no external lights – this would be looked at for the future. Internal trees and decorating would be done.

**6) Items of correspondence:**

* Notice of firing for Templeton Airport.
* YFC thank you letter for involvement in bonfire and firework display evening.
* Templeton School / FOTS thank you letter for involvement in bonfire and firework display evening.
* Castle School big Christmas lunch event.
* TCA thank you for bonfire and firework display, and donation to the Council.
* Resident with concerns over pipe diversion at St Margaret’s Well.

**7) County Councillor’s report.**

Cllr Morse stated that he had nothing particular to raise that had not already been covered. However, he did state that it appeared that a householder had removed part of the hedge to the rear of the Village Green and erected a fence in the wrong location. The Clerk was requested to write to the householder and request that they reinstate the hedge in the correct location.

**8) Financial statement and reconciliation.**

The Bank statements and reconciliation were circulated

Income banked since last normal meeting: £6,407.73 VAT reclaim - Val5, BigLottery1

 £6,236.18 VAT reclaim – Val6, BigLottery2

 £12,160.00 Big Lottery reclaim 2

Payments made since last meeting: Clerk salary/expenses and related tax October.

 £14,592.00 - Contractor invoice – second project

 £173.95 – PCC no parking signs

Invoices received since last meeting: Clerk salary/expenses and related tax November.

 £70.00 - Royal British Legion – wreaths.

 £90.00 – Tindle newspapers advert.

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Second account - £58,003.20 as of 14th November 2019.

Income banked since last meeting: £54,180.48 – Welsh Govt 3rd payment

Invoices paid since last meeting: £22,825.08 – contractor 6th invoice

Invoices received since last meeting: £41,173.44 – contractor 7th invoice

The above invoices were al agreed for payment - proposed Cllr Morse, seconded Cllr Jennings and agreed by all.

**9) Planning:**

**19/0694/PA.** Variation of condition 5 of D3/441/79 to allow change in period of holiday occupation. Washfield Farmhouse, A4115, Molleston. No objections raised.

**19/0732/PA.** Proposed change of use from holiday unit to residential dwelling. Upper Chapel Hill Farm. No objections raised.

**19/0598/AG.** Agricultural notification. Proposed extension to existing building for storage of agricultural equipment. Woodlands Farm. Approved.

**10) Church Hall.**

Bank reconciliation and statement presented: £2,446.56 as of 14th November 2019

Payments made since last meeting: £60.00 - Dwr Cymru - October

 £66.21 - Swalec

 Direct debit information received: £60.00 - Dwr Cymru direct debit November.

 Invoices received since last meeting: £21.76 - Hall supplies for fireworks event

 £84.95 - Ikea – mugs for Hall

The above payments and invoices were agreed for payment – proposed by Cllr Morse, seconded by Cllr Williams and agreed by all.

**11) Councillors’ report and matters for next month:**

Concerns were raised again about the light at the Boar’s Head junction still not working. This would be passed again to PCC.

It was also stated that speeding was still a concern in Cold Blow, with vehicles clocked at speeds of up to 48mph. This would be raised again with GoSafe. In addition there was a vehicle being regularly parked on the junction in Cold Blow, causing issues for drivers and pedestrians. This would be reported to the company concerned.

Fundraising for additional equipment for the Hall was raised, and it would be considered whether to have a joint-working approach with other community groups.

**12) Date of next meeting**: Thursday 19th December, in the Hall, starting at 8.00pm.

**There being no further business, the meeting closed at 10.25pm.**