

# MINUTES

## Letterston Community Council Meeting

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at Letterston Memorial Hall

**Present:** R Davies (RD)(Chair), H Johnson (HJ), G Humphrey (GH), B Morgan (BM), B Homer (BH), G Thomas (GT), Michelle Bateman (PCC)(MB), S Jones (SJ) (*Clerk*)

**Apologies:** J Williams

### 19/57 Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting - 18<sup>th</sup> November 2019 were read and accepted as a true record, subject to a minor amendment.

### Matters Arising

- **17/16 Hedgebank:** SJ has placed an advert in the County Echo.
- **18/30 A40 Crossing:** SJ has written to Welsh Government as requested
- **19/06 Play Park Equipment:** SJ to share links to the firms involved in the quotes at Spittal to identify what is required before requesting prices.
- **19/10 Bus Shelter at the Square:** BH will do for January
- **19/13 Moles:** Milgi will attend at Memorial Hall field. Also to be asked to attend by Pavilion on the Commons.
- **19/29 Memorial Bench:** SJ has written to PCC who confirmed a bench is available.
- **19/30 Fireworks:** SJ read a reply from West Wales Family Life who could not specify who the information came from but invited the Community Council to notify them of any future events [CLOSE]
- **19/34 Min y Llan Petition** - SJ will chase PCC for installation of the sign.
- **19/42: Remembrance Sunday:** Revd Gordon Eynon has been approached and is in favour of the ceremony taking place at the Memorial Hall each third year. The 2020 service will be at the church. [CLOSE]
- **19/44 Overgrown Hedge:** SJ has written to occupier [CLOSE]
- **19/52: School Governor:** A formal letter had been received inviting the Community Council to nominate a councillor. GH nominated and accepted. SJ to notify PCC.
- **19/53 Electric Scooters:** Some concerns were raised about youngsters riding electric scooters in the village. Legality to be checked.
- **19/54 Councillor Vacancies:** P HJ, S RD that Paul West be invited to become a co-opted Councillor. P HJ S GT that Sian Millichip be invited to fill the second vacancy.
- **19/55 Christmas Trees:** RD purchased a potted tree for the school on the Commons. This had been well received by the Community. G Harries to be thanked for supplying electricity. RD also supplied a tree at the Square, but the electricity supply from the bus shelter failed. To be reported to Danfo. A discussion ensued as to more permanent arrangements for trees at both locations involving the removal of an ash tree by the toilet block. RD was thanked for his considerable time, trouble and expense in this matter. RD to be reimbursed £35 for the lights.
- **19/56 Dog Poo Bins:** An offer has been made by John and Judith Heffernan to deal with this, subject to provision of bags and gloves. Resolved to accept this kind offer.

## **19/58 Planning**

- **19/0790/PA:** Extension at Somethings Cooking, shared by email prior to meeting, no objections and provisionally approved.
- **19/0920/PA:** Change of use Horeb Chapel. No objections

## **19/59 Finance**

- Grasscutting
- Hall Hire £72
- Public Works Loan payment - £1,829.56. Balance remaining - £18,555.72
- DAPS Pembrokeshire request for donation - £100 agreed
- Precept 2020-21 no change (£24,000). All in favour.

## **19/60 Correspondence (not already dealt with)**

- Query from LCC Solicitors asking about any disputes over land currently being processed for sale on St Davids Road. SJ to reply
- Pembrokeshire programme of works: Both shelters on A40 by the Square to be revamped in Phase 2 of works with no date yet set.
- Community Works grants available for highways schemes, up to £10K.
- Letterston Community Consultation meeting regarding Friday Cafe. S Jones will attend if possible.
- Enquiry from a team of stone conservations looking for a premises to operate from. S Jones to pass on HJ's details.
- Pembs CC Budget consultation - request for responses.

## **19/61 PCC Report**

MB reported that a budget consultation was ongoing with live Facebook events and an event at County Hall on 22nd January. The outline budget was looking better with a 5% increase, but still large financial holes and tough choices to be made.

## **Any Other Business**

**19/62: School Gardens:** GT reported that Ysgol Ger y Llan School Council were hoping to plant daffodils in time for St Davids Day. All agreed to support and BM reported that the bulbs had been obtained and planted already. SJ to check whether old bulbs from PCC flower beds can be made available for the school for next year. BH and BM will attend a planting on 15th January.

**19/63 Commons Drains:** A James had been asked to attend to a blockage behind Hyfrydle, but had been unable to find the drain in question. Agreed that if this occurs again, arrangements would need to be made to meet up on site.

**19/64 Abandoned Vehicle:** BH reported that a damaged car had been parked opposite the Jubilee. The owner was known and the vehicle was unlikely to remain in situ.

**19/65 Village Pantomime:** BM wished it to be recorded that the Christmas Pantomime at the Memorial Hall had been an outstanding success.

## **Date of Next Meeting:**

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2020

**Items for the next Agenda:**

<b>17/16</b> Hedgebank	<b>18/30</b> A40 Crossing	<b>19/06</b> Play Equipment
<b>19/13</b> Moles	<b>19/10</b> Bus Shelter & Well	<b>19/29</b> Bench
<b>19/34</b> Min y Llan petition	<b>19/46</b> Recycling bins	<b>19/52</b> School Governor
<b>19/53</b> Scooters	<b>19/54</b> Councillor Vacancies	<b>19/55</b> Christmas Trees
<b>19/56</b> Dog poo bins	<b>19/62</b> School Gardens	<b>19/60</b> Community Consultation
<b>19/66</b> Premises query		