**Tiers Cross Community Council**

**Cyngor Cymuned A Tiers Cross**

**Minutes of meeting held on Thursday 6 November 2014.**

**Members present:** Cllrs E Jones, (Chairman), M Rawlinson, (Vice-Chair), P Mensink, C George, A Thorne.

**Also present:** G Nicholls (Clerk), S Yates, (resident).

**Apologies for absence:** Cllr K Rowlands.

**3355. Minutes of the October 2014 meeting.** It was proposed by Cllr Rawlinson and seconded by Cllr Thorne that these should be signed as a true record and this was agreed.

**MATTERS ARISING**

**3356. Resignation of Cllr Yvonne Nicholas.** The Clerk said that, as instructed, he had written to Mrs Nicholas to thank her for her years of service to the community. Approval for the co-option of a new councillor was awaited from Pembrokeshire County Council (PCC).

**3357. Community Fund.** The Clerk confirmed that following their discussions with Cllr Thorne, Barclays Bank had now set up current and deposit accounts to handle the Fund. Cllr Thorne reported that the solar park was now producing electricity but the first payment to the Fund will not be due until at least April 2015. It was thought that the maximum payment would be made. Cllr Thorne said that eventually only one maintenance person would be employed at the site. Re-seeding of the land would take place in the spring. It was agreed to wait until the new year- possibly after the first payment has been made - before considering how Fund monies should be spent. Some form of public consultations will be needed. In the meantime, the Clerk was instructed to ask PCC about the future use of the land at the end of the existing Bulford Road junction and also if the roses which had been recently removed will be replaced.

**3358. Bulford Road.** The Clerk said he was still waiting for a response from Alun Griffiths (Contractors) Ltd regarding a site-visit by councillors. He would check the position with the company.

**3359. Bank signatories.** The Clerk said that Barclays bank had now accepted Cllr Jones as a signatory for the account. However, the bank was still addressing correspondence in the name of the former Clerk and he would contact the bank to correct this.

**3360. Revised Risk Assessment.**  It was agreed that the Clerk would now issue this by email so that members could review it and make any amendments or additions felt necessary before it was accepted.

**3361. Flooding in the village.**  It was reported that the drains had now been cleaned by PCC.

**3362. Planning Application 14/0410/PA.** The Clerk confirmed that as agreed, he had responded to PCC saying that it was felt that the plan was out of scale with the area and would have a detrimental effect on the landscape.

**3363. Welsh Government – review of designated landscapes.**  The Clerk said that as agreed, he had responded with the comments made at the last meeting.

**3364. PCC Budgeting.** The Clerk said that he had attended the recent meeting for town and community councillors at County Hall. Copies of the information supplied had already been emailed to members. It was clear that there would be severe cuts in funding in many areas of the County Council’s services over the coming years.

**3365. Memorial Garden.** The Clerk reported that as instructed, he had written to Mr Dave Howarth and had received details of the hours spent on maintaining the garden and of the costs involved. This would provide a basis for calculating the cost of caring for the garden in future years.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**3366. Planning:**

* **14/0590/NM** - Amendment to height, orientation of modules, tilt and number of structure piles for solar panels for solar park. Partial **approval** **and refusal** of non-material amendments. Noted. *(It was reported that the panels were to have been angled at 35 degrees but were built at 25 degrees. This resulted in a lower height for the panels and a different width than that agreed. Also, the question of glare from the panels had to be recalculated. In addition, the design for the supporting legs of the panels had been changed and because they were now deeper in the ground, the archaeological surveys had to be reconsidered.)*
* **14/0591/NM - Non**-material amendment to siting and design of approved sub-station. Approval given. *(It was reported that the sub-station had not been built in the position agreed in the original planning permission).*
* It was understood that three additional Planning Applications had now been made by the company in connection with the access track from the public highway to the solar farm, the security fencing and the installation of an additional 1700 solar panels. *(To be considered by the Community Council when full details received*.)
* **14/0475/AG** – erection of poly-tunnel, Brooksgrove Lane, Haverfordwest. This is a permitted development. Noted.
* **14/0596/AG**  - erection of portal frame grain-store, Denant Hill. This is a permitted development. Noted.
* **14/0235/PA**  - conversion of barn to dwelling and alterations to barn adjoining, south of Denant Farm, Dreenhill. Permission granted. Noted.

**3367. Meeting dates for 2015.** These were agreed and will be displayed on notice-boards and on the website.

**3368.** Invitation from Pembrokeshire Association of Voluntary Services (PAVS) to **Pembrokeshire Funding Fair and Conference** – 18 November 2014, in Narberth. Noted.

**3369.** Invitation from PAVS and PLANED to **“Weathering the Storm”** presentation to be made on 27 November 2014 in County Hall. Noted.

**3370.** **Letter from Hywel Dda Health Board** – changes to services for young people and children. Noted.

**3371. Letter from Pembrokeshire Coast National Park**  - Annual Monitoring Report 2014 etc. Noted.

**3372.** **email from PCC** – details of **“Pembroke Learning Campus”**. Noted.

**3373. Letter from PCC** - Poster advertising free **Driver Refresher Courses** for over 65s. Noted.

**3374. Letter from the Planning Inspectorate** - consent granted for South Hook Combined Heat & Power Station. Noted.

**FINANCE**

**3375.** It was agreed that the following amounts should be paid:

* £171.49 to the Clerk, November salary.
* £43.00 to HMRC, November PAYE.
* £266.91 to the Clerk, reimbursed expenses – postage, travelling, stationery etc. – for the period from 29/8/13 to 21/9/14.

*(Note: all financial records were checked by the Chairman prior to the meeting.)*

**MEMBERS’ REQUESTS**

**3376.** Cllr Thorne had received a letter from **Transition Haverfordwest** regarding the possibility of planting **fruit-trees** at the end of the Bulford Road or in the Memorial Garden. It was agreed that the Clerk should obtain further details.

**3377.** It was announced that the Remembrance **Day Service** wouldcommence at 10.30am at the United Reformed Church on 9 November.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm.

**Signed……………………………………………………………………….Chairman**

**Date……………………………………**