

# MINUTES

## Letterston Community Council Meeting

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2020 held remotely by Zoom Meeting**

**Present:** Cllrs R Davies (*Chair*)(RD), B Morgan (BM), B Homer (BH), H Johnson (HJ), J Williams (JW), S Millichip (SM) Cllr M Bateman (PCC) S Jones (Clerk) (SJ)

### Apologies

P West, G Humphrey

### 20/50 Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting - 14<sup>th</sup> September 2020 were read and accepted as a true record.

### Matters Arising

- **18/30 A40 Crossing:** No further update as Welsh Government staff now dealing with Coronavirus [ON HOLD]
- **18/86 Commons Drains:** RD confirmed that the works had been completed, Geraint Morris has submitted a bill for £425 - approved [ONGOING]
- **19/06 Play Park Equipment:** On hold due to Coronavirus [ON HOLD]
- **19/29 Memorial Bench:** Works on hold due to Coronavirus [ON HOLD]
- **19/46: Recycle Bins:** On hold due to Coronavirus [ON HOLD]
- **19/60 Community Consultation:** No further meetings due to Coronavirus [ON HOLD]
- **19/70 Youth Involvement:** On hold due to Coronavirus [ON HOLD]
- **20/14 Tin Man Tuesday:** Suggestions that this should be proceeded with by promoting on website and the Facebook page. [ONGOING]
- **20/20 Trecwn Bridge:** PW had sent a short report via HJ that the matter of repainting the bridge had been referred to the company's next finance committee [ONGOING]
- **20/21 Fireworks:** In view of the 'firebreak lockdown' it was not going to be possible to hold the firework display this year. Relevant parties to be notified. RD reported that the fireworks have been delivered, but he can look after them securely [CLOSE]
- **20/29 Storyboard:** SJ reported that the definitive footpaths and council boundary were on the PCC website. HJ has asked for a quote from sign printers in Fishguard and requested that the matter remain on the agenda, though it may take some time to reach fruition.. [ONGOING]
- **20/35 Gas Supply:** SJ to approach Mens Sheds and seek to work with them to seek support from the community for both gas and broadband. RD suggested to also seek support of Ateb before they commence works on the Parc Maen Hir estate. [ONGOING]
- **20/39 Japanese Knotweed:** RD has sprayed the weeds [CLOSE]
- **20/43 Pavement Nantyffynon / St Davids Road:** SJ to chase for progress [ONGOING]
- **20/44 Management of Commons.** PW not present for a progress report but RD noted that there is a sign on the old toilets advising that no vehicles to be driven onto the Commons. No bill yet received for bushwhacking of hedges at the Commons. [ONGOING]
- **20/48 Council Vacancy:** Llyr Williams has tendered his resignation. Vacancy to be advertised on website. Tablet to be returned.
- **20/49 Speeding Min y Llan:** SJ to enquire if PCC would consider a 20mph zone in this and other parts of the village.
- **20/51 Remembrance Sunday:** Revd Eynon keen that it should go ahead, with only two per organisation invited to attend, but no church service afterwards. MB noted that

Hayscastle were planning to do similar. Whilst there was a danger that others would turn up, as long as they weren't encouraged to do so, there would be no breach of Coronavirus regulations. All agreed to proceed on that basis and advertise accordingly. Also to stream the service on Facebook Live if possible. BM & RD will attend, unless anyone else wishes to. GT noted that the Football Club want to send representatives & will arrange with HJ to obtain a wreath.

- **20/52 Precept:** To be discussed at November's meeting

### **20/53 Planning**

Conditional approval for Parc Maen Hir, some annoyance that none of the observations submitted appeared to have been taken seriously but Paul West has advised that there was little that we can do after the event.

### **20/54 Finance**

- Grasscutting
- Letterston Guides £500 (20/44)
- Geraint Morris - Commons drains (18/86) £425.
- Slade Hall Farm for machine hire and materials for hedgebank and drains £2,784 (17/16 & 18/86)
- RD has paid David Harries Whitland £919.51 for pipes for the Commons drains (18/86) & to be refunded

Current account 19/10/2020 - £12,253, Savings £19,602

### **20/55 Correspondence** not already dealt with

- Formal letter of resignation from Llyr Williams.
- PCC requiring 3 dangerous trees bordering the Commons and Great Letterston Farm to be cut down. R Davies will attend.
- PCC regarding bus stop improvements at Letterston Square. SJ to suggest a different configuration on the northbound side so as not to narrow layby.
- Cinnamon Trust asking for a request for dog walking support to be promoted on website. Agreed to do so.
- Request for a contribution towards costs for an athlete representing Wales. Suggested that this should be discussed further with a suggestion to set up a fund for local causes to bid for grants each year.

### **20/56 PCC Report**

MB united that Welsh Government had imposed a two week lockdown from Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October, which would have an effect upon schools, despite the two week half term break. The Community Hub was still active and ready to step up to meet demand. It was not yet known what measures will be in place when the lockdown ends.

The Coronavirus cases in the county are on the increase, with no particular age or area prevalent, indicating community transmission.

The Penally situation was still a concern, taking a lot of officer time and costs. There were protests again on the weekend. The Home Office have still not offered any financial support to PCC or the Police.

MB had been told that there were plans due to be submitted to develop land for social housing behind Nant y Ffynnon, which is outside the LDP. Apparently affordable housing can be developed outside the LDP as an 'exemption site'. A pre-planning application was apparently being drawn up for consultation. Concerns were expressed over the access, particularly the junction onto St Davids Road, which has already been identified by the Community Council as dangerous and the site being susceptible to flooding.

MB had also been approached about a new business which has sprung up on the Old Station Yard. No planning applications had been made, MB will make further enquiries.

### **Any Other Business**

**20/57 Deeds:** HJ asked if enquiries could be made to locate deeds and other documents which appear to have been lost track of over the years.

**20/58 Website:** SJ noted that we are being asked regularly to advertise various issues, but the standard Community Council website is restrictive and suggested that a separate, but linked website be set up where there is freedom to decide what content we want. It could help to promote issues such as Tin Man Tuesday, broadband and gas, along with information on fireworks etc. Agreed to go ahead with a trial site.

**20/59 Moles** RD requested that SJ contact M Lewins to attend to moles on the Commons.

**20/60 Endeavour Prize:** GT was able to confirm that the prize was awarded.

**20/61 Overgrown hedge:** HJ noted that a hedge at the top of St Davids Road by the traffic calming pinch point was overgrown.

**20/62 Street Lights:** RD noted that the PCC response to repairing street lights was currently quite slow. SJ stated that one of the two staff had been shieldin, but will ask..

### **Date of Next Meeting:**

7:30pm Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2020 by Zoom meeting

### **Items for the next Agenda:**

<b>20/14 Tin Man Tuesday:</b>	<b>20/20 Trecwn Bridge</b>	<b>20/21 Fireworks</b>
<b>20/29 Storyboard</b>	<b>20/35 Gas &amp; fibre broadband</b>	<b>20/43 St Davids Rd</b>
<b>20/44 Commons Management</b>	<b>20/48 Council Vacancy</b>	<b>20/49 Speed humps</b>
<b>20/51 Remembrance Sunday</b>	<b>20/52 Council precept</b>	<b>20/57 Deeds</b>
<b>20/58 Website</b>	<b>20/59 Moles</b>	<b>20/61 Hedge</b>
<b>20/63 Commons Trees</b>	<b>20/64 Bus Stop</b>	<b>20/62 Street lights</b>
	<b>20/65 Endeavour type prize fund</b>	