**Wolfscastle Community Council**

A meeting of the Wolfscastle Community Council was held at Penybont Chapel Vestry, on Tuesday 10th August 2021 at 8:00pm.

**Members Present:** Cllrs. Barrie Griffiths, BJ Harries, (Chairman) Michelle Bateman PCC, Gerallt Miles, Gerwyn Williams and Peter James

**Apologies:** Cllr TC Griffiths.

**Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 10th August 2021 were read, accepted with one amendment (item (iii) matters arising) Cllr Bateman reported that the ‘LDP 2, and not the Seminar on Phosphates had been delayed’. The minutes were then signed by the Chairman as a true record.

**Matters Arising:** It was reported that the Bench on the Village Green adjacent to the School has been repaired by Mr Gordie John.

It was agreed to ask the Norman Industries for a quotation for the construction of 2 or 3 Notice Boards to replace the existing in both, Wolfscastle and Treffgarne Communities.

Cllr Griffiths reported that the requested work in Treffgarne has been carried out to a satisfactory standard.

With regards to issues raised about new developments at Sealyham Farm, an email was read out from Ms Rachel Green, Enforcement Officer for PCC and supported by Mr David Popplewell, Head of Planning who states that further investigation will have to be made to establish if Prior Notification have been made for this development.

**County Council Matters:** In her report to the Council, Cllr Michelle Bateman reported (i) there is an ongoing issue between NRW and Welsh Water with regards to Phosphates. Hopefully this will be resolved in the not-too-distant future. (ii) that Spittal, Wolfscastle and the surrounding areas have the opportunity to get an ultrafast fibre broadband connection direct to our properties. There will be a opportunities to meet representatives from the PCC Broadband Team in order to discuss further the benefits of such a scheme within our communities. (iii) Cllr Bateman is arranging a call in for a cup of tea, some cake and a chat for the residents of Wolfscastle and Treffgarne Communities in Penybont Vestry and Treffgarne Village Hall on Saturday, September 4th 2021. There will be a collection box, with donations going towards Belle’s Story Charity.

**Planning Application Consultation:** The Clerk had circulated to the Councillors the application number **21/0341/PA** ‘Proposed alterations and extensions at Good Hope, Letterston’. There were no comments from the members to this applicatoin.

**Finances:** The Clerk reported that he’d received the recent Bank Statement, dated 1st July 2021 and that at there is £7013.48 (**Seven Thousand and Thirteen Pounds, and Forty Eight Pence**) in the account.

It was agreed to pay Tim Brookes Gardening Services the sum of £168 (**One Hundred and Sixty Eight Pounds**) which covers 7 cuts of grass from the 24th March to the 24th June 2021.

It was also agreed to pay Welsh Water the sum of £14.95 (**Fourteen Pounds and Ninety Five Pence**) for water used at the Fountain adjacent to the School.

It was agreed by Councillors, that if cheques are not presented in the Bank within six months, then they should be stopped in order to avoid future issues raised by an Internal Auditor.

**The Queen’s Platinum Jubilee:**  A discussion was had on whether the Community Council should purchase something for the children to commemorate the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee next year. It was felt that something should be done to present every child of Primary School age and under, living within the Community Council area, and every child and their siblings who attend Wolfscastle Primary School. The Clerk was asked to look into this matter and report back in the next meeting.

**Correspondence:** The following correspondence were received:-

[a] It was noted that an Emergency Road Closure took place on the 25th June to carry out repair to a leaking water main in the vicinity of David’s Well. The Clerk had previously forwarded this information to Councillors.

[b] The Clerk reminded the meeting of ongoing consultations which Councillors may be interested in participating in.

[c] An acknowledgement for the completed return was received from Mr Leighton Jones, Independent Remuneration Panel of Wales.

[d] The Clerk reminded Councillors of what will be expected from Clerks and Councils from April next year as a result of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021.

**AOB:** The following issues were brought to the attention of the meeting and need addressing as soon as practicable:-

[a] Cllr Gerallt Miles expressed his concern that PCC had taken the draconian decision not to hold the Ironman Competition this year. Cllr Bateman responded by saying that in view of the rising cases of Covid19 within our County that it was a very difficult decision to make, but it was for the benefit to ensure that people’s safety is imperative.

[b] Cllr Peter James brought to the attention of the meeting a complaint that he had received from a young cyclist, of the very poor condition of the road in the Wels Hook Area.

[c] Cllr BJ Harries mentioned excessive water flowing from a manhole on the hairpin bend. The Clerk reported that this issue has recently been addressed and that further work will be carried out in the near future.

As there were no other matters to discuss the meeting was declared closed, with the next meeting to be held at Treffgarne Village Hall on Tuesday 14th September 2021 at 8pm.

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