LLAWHADEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL INCORPARATING LLAWHADEN, ROBESTON WATHEN, GELLI & BETHESDA

Minutes for the Community Council meeting held on Wednesday 1st December 2021 at 20:00hrs at The Bush Inn Robeston Wathen at short notice – due to the Robeston Wathen Hall being double booked.

Present:

Hugh Watchman (Chair) Tim Simons Samantha Hebblethwaite

Tracy Watkins Samantha Philipps-Harries (Clerk)

1. Chairman's Remarks

Hugh welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked the Bush Inn for being able to accommodate the meeting at short notice.

2. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Victoria Rabiya McAndrew and Di Clements (County Councillor)

3. Declaration of Members Interests

There are no declaration of Members of Interests.

4. Confirmation of Minutes of the Last Meeting – 4th November 2021.

Minutes of the meeting held on 4th November 2021, were confirmed as a true record. Proposed by Tim and seconded by Samantha Hebblethwaite.

5. Matters Arising There From

- a. Highways Projects: Updates: no further updates at present.
- b. Broadband Project Update: no further update at present.
- c. Playing Field, Llawhaden: the first phase of the Enhancing Pembrokeshire Grant Application the expression of interest had been completed and would be appropriate for the next Enhancing Pembrokeshire Grant Application in April 2022. The grass had been cut recently, and a discussion would need to take place as to how often the grass would need to be cut to keep the area neat and tidy. It was felt that a graded cut would be appropriate, and Tim agreed to contact a local farmer/contractor to find out if this would be possible. On a recent visit to the field, Hugh had felt that some of the trees on the hedgerow may become unsafe in time, and the clerk agreed to contact the Pembrokeshire County Council (PCC) tree officer to find out if he could survey the trees.
- d. Christmas Lunch 2021 @ The Bush Inn, Robeston Wathen Saturday 11th December 2021: the Christmas lunch was on track with approximately 57 lunches to either be served or delivered to residents. County Councillors would be serving the wine to diners, and the clerk would arrange the food hampers for the raffle. Llawhaden Young Farmers Club (YFC) have agreed to entertain at 14:00hrs with carols. All councillors present agreed to donate £100 to Llawhaden YFC, proposed by Tracy and seconded by Samantha H.
- e. Children's Christmas Craft Event: this event has been kindly organised by Victoria at Llawhaden YFC & Community Hall on Sunday 12th December 2021. Victoria has everything in hand.

6. Finance

a. Estimated NatWest Bank Account balances as at 1st December 2021: -

£5381.79 Savings Account £1438.36 Current Account

There were no known outstanding cheques.

7. Correspondence

- a. Wales Air Ambulance Donation Request: it was agreed to donate £100 to this charity. Proposed by Tim and seconded by Samantha H – and agreed by all councillors present.
- b. Shared Assets.org.uk: Can we help you establish a community farm in your area? tabled.
- c. Welsh assembly Government (WAG): Appropriate Sum Under Section 137(4)(a) of the Local Government Act 1972 – Section 137 Expenditure Limit for 2022/23 – the maximum expenditure that can be incurred under both section 137(1) abd (3) for the financial year 2022-23 will be £8.82 per elector – noted.
- d. WAG: Technical Advice Note (TA) 15 Important Update for the Minister for the Climate Change tabled.
- e. Consultation on planning legislation and policy for second homes and short-term holiday lets noted.

Signed: Hugh Watchman

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- f. Supporting Community Action Fund Winter Pressures 2021/2022 noted.
- g. NALC/SLCC Open Letter: Together we can do so much noted.
- h. The Local Election (Principal Areas) (Wales) Rules 2021 & Local Elections (Communities (Wales) Rules 2021 tabled.

8. Planning

There were no planning applications/decisions.

9. Points of interest raised by the County Councillor.

Unfortunately, Di was unable to attend the meeting, and no points of interest had been raised.

10. Any Other Business

- a. Riverlea Invoice Service of the lawnmower £120.23. It was agreed to pay this invoice proposed by Tracy and seconded by Tim.
- b. Community Speed Watch.

11. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 6th January 2022 at 20:00hrs, at Llawhaden YFC & Community Hall, in line with Covid-19 restrictions.

Signed: Hugh Watchman Dated: 6th January 2022