

## HERBRANDSTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

### Meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022 @ 7pm on Zoom

Present : Cllrs M.Galdo , R.Owens, T.Roberts , S.Davey

Clerk ; D.Davies

Apologies ; Cllrs N.Coles, D.Philpin.

Zoom meeting was held in place of the agreed meeting in the hall due to a representative at this meeting having a positive COVID test.

**Declaration of Interest ;** None declared.

**1/22 Financial Matters ;** Balance of accounts today £ 12,443.03 cr , 1 Cheque issued since last meeting £155 for Grass cutting. Savings balance £ 1616.32 cr .

**Precept :** Clerk has received the form from Pembrokeshire County Council to complete before 14<sup>th</sup> January 2022. The Council have set the tax base for our area at Band D , equivalent to £182.61

In preparation for this discussion clerk had emailed spread sheets for the Community Council expenditure for last year 2020/2021 and this year to date so that councillors could review spending before the meeting.

Full review of accounts took place. Spending for the coming year was considered.

The ongoing matter of placing the Bollard on slip way of Sandy Haven beach would cost few hundred pounds to complete.

Insurance policies premiums will rise due to adding on some further fixed items that we now own, defibrillators and the solar speed sign.

Car park at beach will continue to have maintenance work needed.

Play Park in the village is an ongoing matter that may require spending on, however any major improvements will require help with funding.

Cllrs also mentioned the rise in utilities, heating / lighting that we need to consider.

Decision was made , Proposed by Cllr M.Galdo and seconded by Cllr S.Davey to increase the Precept slightly for next financial year by £500, from £6500 to £7000.

Clerk will complete the form and post back to Pembrokeshire County Council.

**2/22 Questions from Public.** Cllr R.Owens raised a concern about a wall that has broken away at the Fold properties in the village. The boundary walls have fallen into the road that leads down to Herbrandston Hall and the beach. Part of the wall is remaining and Cllr Owens highlighted that there is a danger to both pedestrians and public driving along this stretch of road, if further parts of this wall was to fall. As cllrs were not certain who is responsible for making this wall safe, it was agreed that Cllr R.Owens will make contact with Pembrokeshire County Council and ask them to visit the site.

Clerk was asked to announce on village face book page the winner of the Christmas competition, which was Mr & Mrs Paul Mortimer. Clerk has spoken to them and they have chosen Sandy Bear as their charity. Clerk to issue a cheque of £100 payable to Sandy Bear, Milford Haven.

Next Meeting agreed for Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2022.