

Uzmaston, Boulston and Slebech Community Council

Minutes from Thursday 12th January 2023

Rhos Hall

Attendees: L Screen, B Thomas, M Williams, S Green, C Ace & S Evans

Also in attendance: County Councillor D Clements & Clerk

1. Chairperson's Welcome

The chair welcomed the councillors to the meeting.

2. Apologies for Absence

Apologies received from G Campbell & M Howe.

3. Declaration of Members' Interests

No declarations of interest were received.

4. The Minutes

Minutes from November 2022 were read and agreed.

5. Matters Arising

Plastic in tree – There is plastic in tree on A40 before Toch lane turn off – D Clements will find contact number for Highways Agency so it can be reported.

Welsh medium school catchment areas – Councillors are concerned that it is difficult for children in the community to access Welsh-medium education, due to lack of places at nearest Welsh medium school and no free transport being offered to attend schools located further away. D Clements will bring the catchment area maps and policy for allocating school places to next meeting. Members of TRADA meeting will be informed that this is being investigated.

Sign on Picton Castle Corner – members discussed the sign - no further action.

Layby and tree work at Boulston – the community council was approached regarding the tree works and layby at bottom of Shady Grove (passing place which is important for road safety). It seems the Layby has been covered in stone. The Clerk will contact Highways at PCC to see if this can be cleared.

Natural Resources Wales to be contacted to confirm the extent of operations/road opening agreed within the rules of the felling license.

D Clements to check with National Park and Highways if agreement is for a temporary access point while timbers are being removed, and after operations have finished that it is made good.

Crime prevention at the skatepark – Concerns have been raised that there are no PCOs visiting the skatepark. D Clements will investigate.

Food waste collection – D Clements will find out where the community's food waste goes.

Trees for Uzmaston village green - A resident would like to donate trees for Uzmaston village green.

70 trees from National Park – they will all be delivered to BT initially and will be sorted from there.

Parking on New Road - Gritting lorry could not get up New Road because of parked cars during the icy weather.

Bench for Rhos – Clerk will check when it is being delivered.

Solution to make junction safer going from New Road onto Cartlett roundabout – Di Clements and David Bryan (Councillor for New Road) are waiting to hear a solution from Welsh Government. Transport for Wales are also looking into how to make this junction safer for cyclists and pedestrians.

6. Planning Applications

22/0781/DC – J E Lawrence

No objection to discharge of conditions. However, on the adjacent land shown on the plan Councillors have not yet seen a landscape plan for how this area will be restored.

22/859/OHL - A route pole height increases – no objections

7. Reports for decisions

G Campbell will represent the Community Council in the homelessness forum which will meet at Haverhub.

All councillors agree with the budget report.

8. Reports to note

Shared via email.

9. Audits and Accounts

Financial planning – budget plan for 23-24 was confirmed.

10. Accounts for Payment

Pembrokeshire County Council – Electoral services - £225 X 2 = £450

Rachel Williams – Viking (stationary) - £69.86

Home bargains (box) – £10

SLCC course - Introduction to Local Council Administration (ILCA) - £72

Full cost of course was £144, bursary of £72 received.

Total to pay Rachel Williams = £151.86

Marie Williams – Food and gifts for children's Christmas party in Rhos hall - £31.40

(£100 set aside for community events in Rhos hall - £48.41 remaining)

11) Dates of next meetings

Meeting day has changed to a Wednesday

Wed 8th Feb 7.30pm Uzmaston hall

Wed 8th March 7.30pm Rhos hall

Wed 12th April 7.30pm Uzmaston hall

Wed 10th May 7.30pm Rhos hall

Wed 14th June 7.30pm Uzmaston hall

Wed 12th July 7.30pm Rhos hall

Wed 13th September 7.30pm Uzmaston hall

Wed 11th October 7.30pm Rhos hall

Wed 8th November 7.30pm Uzmaston hall

Meeting Closed at 9pm