

## **Uzmaston, Boulston and Slebech Community Council**

### **Minutes from Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2023**

#### **Rhos Hall**

Attendees: L Screen, B Thomas, M Williams, S Green, G Campbell & 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 C Ace.

#### **3. Declaration of Members' Interests**

L Screen has begun working for NRW habitats directive.

B Thomas declared that she retains shooting rights over land at Boulston.

#### **4. The Minutes**

Minutes from February 2023 were read and agreed.

#### **5. Matters Arising**

##### *Review from previous meeting*

- Rudder tree at the Point

D Clements is in contact with National Parks with regards to the Rudder tree.

- Memorial bench on village green

Resident has decided to put their request for a memorial bench on hold.

- PCSO provision at skatepark

No new information. The Council will invite Jude Parr from the Pembrokeshire rural crime team to a meeting to discuss this.

- Transport hub & buses

D Clements asked PCC about the plans for the Riverside Shopping Centre in Haverfordwest. The Haverfordwest Transport Interchange will go ahead.

Community councillors are concerned about the amount of infrastructure being developed on the flood plain in Haverfordwest.

D Clements was asked to raise the temporary bus station with PCC as the new cones are preventing children being dropped off safely and cars are now blocking the road.

Concern also raised about the lack of bus shelter space which leads to vulnerable people standing in the rain.

Members noted that there is a Flexibus available and can be booked via an app.

- Sign on Picton Castle corner

D Clements will check with PCC if they know the location of the sign.

- Layby Shady Grove

The felling permitted by NRW at woodland nearby to Shady Grove is scheduled for completion by 21st October 2024. It is expected that the roadside will be restored by this date. The owner is working with the relevant authorities to address concerns and constituents raising the matter have been informed.

The issue is resolved from the Council's point of view subject to monitoring that the layby is restored when the works are complete.

- FOI request

Councillors were made aware of a FOI request and given a summary of the action the Council has taken on the issue.

Councillors were asked to share any correspondence they have had which relates to the issue with the Clerk.

Details of members of the public will need to be redacted before the documents are shared.

The request applies between the following dates: 12/1/23 – 8/3/23 (the meeting when the issue was first raised and the meeting immediately following the FOI request).

#### *New matters arising*

- Paths on Frolic

The path that was replaced during lockdown to make it wider for wheelchair access. Nobody cuts the grass on the Frolic so the path is becoming overgrown in some areas.

D Clements will contact Sean Tilling (Countryside Access Manager) to request that the path be maintained.

- Councillor vacancy

M Howe has resigned as Councillor.

The Council will advertise for the position.

- Trees for the green

Council will buy stakes to support the trees. The Village Green sub-group will decide on a date to plant the trees.

- 70 trees from PCNP

Council is ready to receive the trees.

- Pollution in river

The water in Millin Brook (a special area of conservation) has deteriorated severely. L Screen declared an interest in being a neighbour to the farm spreading slurry. D Clements will ask NRW when they check the water quality and how often.

- Damage to road verge

The corner opposite red houses has been churned up by tractors. D Clements will contact PCC Highways.

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Complaints received about parking on the New Road.

Plaque can be added to the new Bench for the Rhos with the words 'Bench provided by the Community Council'.

## **6. Planning Applications**

Pre-planning application on mast. The current mast on Arnold's Hill will be upgraded. No objections.

## **7. Reports for decisions**

None.

## **8. Reports to note**

Grit bin is not covered by insurance. Clerk is waiting to hear back from Council regarding price of new bin.

## **9. Audits and Accounts**

Audits have been received.

## **10. Accounts for Payment**

Jo Battelley – salary for November & October 2022 - £248.90

Jo Battelley – Food for Christmas Fayre (from Morrisons and Home Bargains) - £40.75

Total to pay J Battelley - £289.65 (cheque voided due to error - to be re-issued)

Linda H Screen – Trees for village green - £300

## **11. Date of next meeting**

Wed 12th April 7.30pm Uzmaston hall

**Meeting Closed at 9pm**