

Uzmaston, Boulston and Slebech Community Council

Minutes from Wednesday 14th June 2023

Uzmaston Hall

Attendees: Linda Screen, Sheila Green, Geraldine Campbell & Susan Evans

Also in attendance: Clerk & County Councillor Di Clements

1. Chairperson's Welcome

The chair welcomed the councillors to the meeting.

2. Apologies for Absence

Apologies received from M Williams & C Ace.

3. Declaration of Members' Interests

G Campbell knows the residents at 18, Addison Road

L Screen owns land neighbouring the farmers who have been doing silage.

4. The Minutes

Minutes from April 2023 were read and agreed.

5. Matters Arising

Review from previous meetings

Paths and maintenance of the Frolic:

S Green has spoken to Sean Tilling with regards to the gate at the top of Naan's Lane and is waiting for the gate to be repaired.

D Clements will contact Sean Tilling with regards to the gate and Woodley's where a public access is blocked.

Frequency of cutting the grass on the Frolic – It is done on an 'as and when basis' dependent on when the supervisor at PCC says it needs doing.

The grass height is currently too high for people to use.

Fibre broadband:

Broadway broadband has gone into administration.

Vouchers have not been paused in Pembrokeshire.

Feedback on road repair following fibre broadband installation:

Open Reach reclosed the road in order to repair the road.

Defibrillator at Uzmaston Hall:

The batteries and pads have been replaced for free.

Training - Basic first aid course:

Rhos and Uzmaston community have been registered for defibrillator training with St. John's Ambulance.

20mph sign limits for Rhos & Uzmaston:

There has been an offer from TRADA to support any action taken by the Community Council
The Council has responded to the Consultation to say that the Rhos and Uzmaston villages are 30mph zones and need to be included in the roll-out.

The Council needs to know the procedure to ensure that the villages are included in the roll-out.

D Clements will find out the necessary criteria to be considered a 30mph limit.

Councillor vacancy to be filled by co-option:

2 people have approached councillors to express an interest in becoming a Councillor

For 2 people to be Councillors, 1 would need to be in an advisory capacity.

The Council will proceed to see if either candidate is willing to come forward.

Councillor training:

The Council decides that after the new Councillors are co-opted, all Councillors will take part in some Councillor training.

Recycling centres booking slots:

In November 21, Cabinet agreed that the recycling centre booking system would remain in place as a permanent change.

Same day booking is possible.

Road closure notifications:

Clerk will check if the Council is receiving emails which provide notice for road closures and inform D Clements if they are not.

Cars in Popes Garage, Cambrian Place are obstructing view onto roundabout:

D Clements reported that the business owners had been approached and that all of their operations are lawful.

New matters arising

Dunsany Park/Addison Road - Children Playing road safety sign request
D Clements will check her emails as she has made some enquiries in the past.

Farm silage vehicles driving through the Rhos & Uzmaston
D Clements has contacted the farmers to request that their contractors drive more carefully in the past, there was a positive response from the farmer but unfortunately there was no impact.
This is a police matter so will not be taken further by the Council.

Printer has broken
Council has agreed that a maximum of £200 can be spent on a new printer.

Parking on the Green
The Council decided to buy a 'no parking on the green' sign.

Clerk will check that the defibrillators are insured.

6. Planning Applications

Application reference number	23/0071/PA
Application type	Full
Proposal description	Retain decking and fencing to rear of dwelling (partly in retrospect)
Location	18, Addison Road, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA61 1UB
Town or community council	Uzmaston, Boulston & Slebech CC

The Council supports the application.

7. Reports for decisions

None.

8. Reports to note

PCSO provision – Clerk has reached out to Dyfed Powys Police. Jude Parr has resigned. Someone else from the Rural Crime Team will be in touch.
Japanese Knotweed on ‘the Belts’ has been reported to PCC.

9. Audits and Accounts

The internal audit has been completed.

The Council reviewed the end of year accounts, and the Annual Return was reviewed by the Council and signed by the Chair and the RFO.

Budget plan for the next 2 years was agreed by the Council. The Chair noted that the Clerk’s salary appeared to be being paid at a rate below that advertised in October 2022. This would be corrected by the next meeting. The hours would also be checked.

The asset register was updated by the Council.

The financial regulations and risk assessment were approved by the Council.

Clerk has completed 3 modules of training on the Introduction to Local Council Administration course.

10. Accounts for Payment

Mr N G Tayler C Y F – Bench repair for Rhos - £312 (Cheque issued at previous meeting is void as name on cheque was inaccurate)

Uzmaston Parish Church - £150 – Uzmaston Church Hall hire (5 sessions)

G R Campbell - £17.24 – Gifts for members of the community who helped plant trees on the village Green

11) AOB – Thank you meal, any other matters

The thank you meal was a success.

12) Date of next meeting

Wed 12th July 7.30pm Rhos hall

Meeting closed at 9.15pm