**Llanddewi Velfrey Community Council**

**Minutes of normal meeting held Wednesday 13th September 2023**

Present: Cllrs, Jamie Lewis, Wynn Griffiths, Tudor Eynon, Edward Howells and Keith Thomas.

**1 – Apologies for absence**. Cllr Meurig James and County Cllr David Simpson had offered their apologies. These and the reasons for them were fully accepted by the Council.

**2 – Declarations of interest**. No interests were declared.

**3 – Questions from members of the public.** There were no questions from any members of the public.

**4 - Minutes of previous meetings**.

There were accepted as a true record and agreed by all present. They were therefore signed.

**5 - Matters arising from previous meeting**.

**A40 bypass.**  The seventh quarterly LALC meeting was due in the next month – representatives of the Council would attend. The latest information on the planned road closure near Narberth suggested it would be for a four week period, and further information would be sent out nearer the time to businesses and others who would be directly affected. There were apparently some delays in the project due to the amount of land required for some of the works in various places – these were under discussion. There continued to be community representation regarding community benefits to be provided, with work on the pump/plinth area opposite the Hall including renovation of the plaque and stone plinth, and cleaning/replacing the pavers being appreciated by this Council.

**6 – New business.**

**Arrangements for the annual Remembrance Service.**  This was discussed and agreed. It was hoped to involve a young person to potentially lay a wreath as part of the ceremony.

**Pump and plinth area**. This had been covered earlier in the meeting. The Clerk would contact Griffiths about it.

**7 – County Councillor’s report**. In the absence of the County Councillor no report had been provided.

**8 – Correspondence received.**

* One Voice Wales remote training. This was noted.

**9 - Planning:**

Replacement of residential caravan from Certificate of Lawfulness 08/0479/PA (use of land as part of curtilage of property and completion of hardstanding and access track) (18/0751/CL (residential caravan (10yrs)) for partially sunken dwelling with separate access and disability enhancements. Received 28-3-2023, Application refused 21-7-2023. Site Address: Pantygorphwys Farmhouse, Stoneyford, Narberth SA67 7NX.

**10 - Finance:**

Bank balance main account £3471.70 as of 12th September 2023

Bank balance second account: £20.00 as of 12th September 2023

Bank balance interest account: £8135.83 as of 12th September 2023

Income received:

* £21.74 quarterly interest in savings account;
* £1946.00 precept second tranche

Invoices/contractual/other payments to consider:

* Clerk’s monthly salary for August, September
* Clerk’s expenses for August, September
* Clerk’s tax August, September

These payments were all agreed by those present and it was also agreed to have them made online, with bank and payment evidence provided to Councillors by email.

**10 - Councillors’ reports for consideration at next meeting.**

Concerns were raised about what impact the new 20mph speed limit would have on the County, and whether this and the proposed £5 ‘tourist tax’ would put people off coming to the area, potentially devastating tourism which is one of the main economic drivers of the area.

Councillors stated that they were continuing to get complaints about the numbers of Atlantic Recycling vehicles passing through the village, and the speeds they were doing. The Clerk would raise the issue with Atlantic Recycling and report back.

**11 - Date of the next meeting.** The next meeting was agreed for Wednesday 8th November 2023 starting at 8.00pm.

There being no other business to consider, the meeting closed at 8.55pm.