**CYNGOR CYMUNED TREAMLOD / AMBLESTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

A meeting of Ambleston Community Council was held at Ambleston Memorial Hall on Monday 25th September at 7.30 pm.

Present: Rosie McDonald (Chair), Gail Davis, Julian Harries, Kevin Morris, Gareth Owen, Dai Ambrey, Cllr David Howlett, E Forrest (Clerk)

1. **Apologies** – N/A
2. **Minutes of the last meeting (24.07.23)**

 Minutes of the last meeting had been distributed to members which was agreed by all

 that they were to be signed.

1. **Matters arising from the minutes.**
2. Willow trees near Wallis Bridge – both sides have been done.
3. Scrap vehicles on the common – No update on the removal of scrap vehicles. Dai said that in the next few weeks CTC Groundworks will be clearing up the site but wasn’t sure about the removal of more scrap.
4. Review of Community Electoral Arrangements – the proposal is to merge Ambleston with New Moat Community Councils. Rosie and Gareth attended the meeting on September 7th. The meeting focused on the Community Review, in particular the development of a Council Size Policy for Pembrokeshire.  Gareth had connectivity issues. David Howlett said that Rosie’s contribution was very good. David values the importance of the smaller community councils; they are the eyes and ears of the community, and he will continue to fight against it. It will not affect the bigger community councils and many County Councillors’ do not see it as an issue. The Community Review itself will commence on Monday 23rd October.  The Commission will be holding a meeting for all Town and Community Councils in Pembrokeshire at 4.30pm in Room 6 of the Pembrokeshire Archives (SA61 2PE).  An invitation for this will follow in September.
5. Urgent and Emergency Children & Young People’s (Pediatric) Services at Withybush and Glangwilli Hospital – Rosie was unable to attend the meeting.
6. **Highway matters**
7. Gail reported two large potholes by the entrance to Hook Farm, Ambleston.
8. Dai asked if ash die back were being checked by PCC as there are two that he is aware of two trees with it in Wallis. Dai was advised to ask the owner to check the trees are on their land, if not to contact PCC to cut them down, otherwise, PCC will charge to cut them down if they are on the owner’s land.
9. Julian reported a pothole on the bend by Bigws, Woodstock.
10. Gail is surprised that the road through Ambleston is still 30mph and is not 20mph.
11. Gareth has seen a sign across the road on the road to Wolfscastle that appears to have been damaged by a shot gun. David Howlett suggested he notify the Police.
12. **Planning**

Nil.

1. **Wallis Pond**
2. Eirian updated members that Princess Gate Spring Water has been bought out by Nestle UK. They have been in discussions with PCC looking for projects to improve water quality, and the works to remove silt and overgrowth at the pond was suggested to them. They have been in discussion with Pete Howe, PCC and Mair Rees, NRW and have advised that the final stage of the approval process for the project will be presented to their colleagues in France on 3rd October 2023. If approved, Pete will work with Mair to complete the work before 15th October as Mair has stipulated and has asked for the replacement of the sluice gate within the contractor’s phase 1 work if possible.
3. If not approved, then will continue with the Awards for All Lottery grant application.
4. To note, Wrexham Community Council have been awarded funding from the Welsh Government Landfill Disposable Scheme, which may be an option to investigate.
5. **Broadway Partners**

Prior to the meeting David Howlett forwarded an update from the Head of IT at the Council. Last week the administration process concluded and has resulted in the acquisition of Broadway Partners by Voneus Broadband who are also operating across the County. Whilst detail at this stage is light, I have received communication from the CEO of Broadway Partners stating the good news and I hope to meet with them in the coming weeks to understand the Pembrokeshire position and opportunities for scale given this acquisition by Voneus.

1. **Model Standing Orders 2023**

A draft version was circulated to members prior to the meeting. It was proposed by Julian, seconded by Gareth, and agreed to adopt it.

1. **Audit 2022/2023 Completion**

The audit conclusion for the year ended 31st March 2023 was unqualified with no matters arising and recommendations. An Audit Completion notice has been displayed in the three notice boards.

1. **Correspondence**
2. Pembrokeshire County Council precept remittance for quarter 2 - £900.00 paid 15 August 2023
3. PCC Local Development Plans **-** The June 2023 Delivery Agreement supersedes the October 2020 version.  The new Delivery Agreement includes a revised timetable for the remaining stages of the LDP 2 plan process.  The next key stage will be a repeat of the Deposit stage of the Plan process, but based on a revised Plan, including public consultation.
4. Hywel Dda Engagement - three site options for the new urgent and planned care hospital in the south of the Hywel Dda area – two near Whitland and one near St Clears. This report can now be found on the health board’s website at: <https://hduhb.nhs.wales/about-us/healthier-mid-and-west-wales/>

Since this email, the potential sites for the new hospital have been reduced from three to two.

1. Calon Hearts – Heart Screening Dates for anyone over the age of 16.
2. One Voice Wales - September and October training dates
3. One Voice Wales Newsletter No. 1
4. PLANED – Pembrokeshire Tourism Panel.
5. **Any other business**
* Gail sent her apologies in advance of the next meeting.
1. **Date of next meeting**

23rd October 2023 at 7.30pm

There being no further matters the Chair declared the meeting closed at 8.30 pm.

**Signed ………………………………………………………………………………………………………………….**

**Date………………………………………………….**