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PUNCHESTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES of Meeting of PuncHESTON Community Council
Wednesday 27th September 2023
Smyrna Vestry at 7.30pm

Clerk and Finance Officer

In attendance: Cllr Ann Thomas (AT), Cllr Sue Collins (SC), Cllr Samantha Lewis (SL), Cllr Dewi Lewis (DL), Cllr Wyn Williams (WW) and Clerk; Bradley Challinor (BC)

1. Apologises for Absence

Cllr Jamie Williams (JW) and Cllr Delme Harries (DH)

2. Read and Sign the Minutes of the Previous Meeting (26th July 2023)

Minutes of the meeting held at 19:30 on 26th July 2023 in the Smyrna Vestry proposed and approved by PuncHESTON Community Council chair (DL) and seconded by Cllr WW.

Minutes to be scanned and electronically archived by clerk (BC). Action points from the 29th July 2023 meeting discussed and completed.

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes

a) Repairs to the telephone kiosk:

Cllr AT to follow up with village contacts and update in the October Community Council meeting.

AP Complete Clerk contacted BT. BT responded asking if the telephone kiosks had active phone numbers. Cllrs confirmed they do not. Clerk to respond to BT and asked about support without active telephone numbers in place.

b) Tree planting:

No update from previous Community Council Meeting. Spare cherry tree will be followed up by Cllrs AT.

c) Sunken area on left passed station view:

PCC to support the sunken area on left passed station view. Cllr DH to update in October 2023 Community Council meeting.

d) Playing field and playground:

Complaint received from Hugh Bevan regarding length of grass in playground. Cllrs agreed to contact contractor (Chris Hendly) to cut the grass (following the recent acquisition of the playing field from PCC).

Grass is now cut (Cllrs confirmed).

e) Speed and parking issues outside school:

Clerk has emailed PCC regarding installation of speed bumps and parking issues. Email passed to correct school highway related department. No response. Clerk to follow up with PCC.

Complaint received from concerned local residents (please see email below). Complaint escalated by County Councillor (Delme Harries).

Hi

I have escalated to head of environmental services and highways as well. Will you invite someone from Highways to our next meeting as we will be to consider a public meeting to address these issues?

Delme

On 28 Sep 2023, at 12:40, punchestoncccclerk <punchestoncccclerk@gmail.com> wrote:

Thank you for the update Sam.

I will pass the concern onto PCC highways for schools (Kelly and Claire) to hopefully speed up the process.

Massive thanks,

Brad

On Thu, 28 Sept 2023 at 12:16, samanthalewis172 <samanthalewis172@yahoo.com> wrote:

Hi all,

I have just had a phonecall off a resident who has been in contact with PCC, the police and safe guarding people this morning, also a Rhys Sinnot, cabinet member.

A PCC waste lorry was going through the village this morning very fast at around 8.40 am. The time a lot of children are going to school.

They are quite concerned that they haven't been taken seriously enough. It's been passed onto Claire Williams, but she wants something done. Is there any way we could request the speed van to not pass through the village?

I have said I would contact you all regarding this. They would like to attend the next meeting to see what can be done.

Thanks

Sam.

4. Highway Matters

No update from previous Community Council Meeting. No outstanding Highway matters to discuss.

5. Planning

No new planning applications

6. Puncheston Village Green

Window mosaic repair complete. Clerk to organise cheque during October Community Council meeting.

7. Defibrillator in Puncheston

Current defibrillator is on loan (no cost). The local Doctor is the guardian. The Guardian has emailed the Community Council to confirm the loan is running out at the end of October 2023.

The Community Council would like to purchase a new defibrillator for the community.

AP Clerk to apply for funding through, Enhancing Pembrokeshire Grant, LNG Community Fund and Welsh Church Act Fund. **Complete (no replies)**

Clerk has emailed the guardian to ask to extend the loan until a new defibrillator can be purchased. Clerk to follow up before October meeting.

Cllrs looking at alternative fundraising methods for the defibrillator (coffee mornings, bingo, etc.).

8. Payments / Finance / Audit

Invoices / payments received:

- D.E Lewis: Repairs to community council benches £87.23
- Robert Jakes: Repairs to mosaic £100.00
- Flowers: £22.54

Clerk to produce cheques for Cllrs to sign off. Payments authorised by Vice Chair (SL) and Cllr SC.

Clerk to produce budget update for October meeting.

9. General Allowance Payments

Cllrs made Clerk aware of General Allowance payments. Clerk to prepare cheques for October meeting.

10. Stream in Front of Church

Action complete. Please see email below:

Dear Brad, thank you for contacting me regarding the stream at Church Farm House. I have been meaning to write, actually, as the flow was restored immediately after the Councillors investigated.

As long as it is not interrupted again, there should be no problem.

Please pass my thanks to the Councillors for their prompt action.

Kind regards

Sharon Wormleighton

11. Correspondence

- Council boundaries
- Pembs area committee
- WG draft budget consultation
- OVW training dates
- OVW newsletter

12. Any Other Matters

No other matters.

13. Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday 25th October 2023