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PUNCHESTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES of Meeting of Puncteston Community Council
Wednesday 25th October 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), Cllr Delme Harries (DH) and Clerk; Bradley Challinor (BC)

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllr Jamie Williams (JW)

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

Minutes of the meeting held at 19:30 on 27th September 2023 in the Smyrna Vestry proposed and approved by Puncteston Community Council chair (DL) and seconded by Cllr WW.

Minutes to be scanned and electronically archived by clerk (BC). Action points from the 27th September 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) Playing field and playground:

Grass is cut (Cllrs confirmed). Grass cutting will continue on a regular basis moving forward with the ownership now sitting with Puncteston Community Council.

d) 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.

A concerned member of the public attended the meeting regarding the speeding issues in the community.

Cllr DH has supported the issue and feedback to the community council and members of the public:

- Call the police when the speed limit is broken
- Go Cymru / Go Safe visit – supported by a community action group (volunteers)
- PCC have started an internal investigation
- Cllr Rhys Sinnett looking into the complaint (meeting this week with Darren Thomas from PCC)

4. Highway Matters

The hole in the road has been reported to PCC by clerk (still ongoing maintenance from last Community Council meeting). Cllr DH confirmed it may be related to a utility company and not be PCC highways.

A dumped tire (large) was reported at the top of Elliott's Hill. Clerk has reported to the PCC online portal as fly tipping.

5. Planning

No new planning applications

6. Puncheston Village Green

Window mosaic repair complete. Clerk organised cheque and posted following signing in October meeting.

Cllr DL to organise a coat of paint on the 2 x benches in the village green.

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 local Doctor has extended the loan until a new defibrillator can be purchased.

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

A local Puncheston Resident has donated £500 towards the defibrillator. A massive thank you from the Community Cllrs.

Cllr SL will set up a Go Fund me page for the remaining £500 needed to purchase the defibrillator.

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

- Cheque 100685: Flowers
- Cheque 100686: Mosaic
- Cheque 100687: Benches

Clerk to produce budget update for November meeting.

9. General Allowance Payments

Clerk produced cheques and filtered down to Cllrs:

Cheques: 100688, 100689, 100690, 100691

10. Correspondence

- Council boundaries

Cllr DH explained to the community council the current voluntary situation with the boundary commission.

- OVW training dates
- OVW newsletter

11. Any Other Matters

Poppy appeal: wreaths to be organised by the Community Council and DH to speak with Anne / Richard to organise a service in the church. Alice to play cello at the service.

12. Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday 29th November 2023