MINUTES OF A MEETING OF EAST WILLIAMSTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 4TH APRIL 2024 AT EAST WILLIAMSTON COMMUNITY HALL AT 7.00PM

PRESENT: Cllr D McIntosh

Cllr C Hopkinson Cllr P Strydom Cllr J Williams Cllr I Wilkinson Cllr C Perry.

APOLOGIES: Cllr R Day

The clerk was in attendance (Mrs J Clark-Davies)

33/24 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

34/24 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 7th March were proposed and seconded. They were agreed as a true record.

35/24 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE LAST MEETING

The following matter was raised:

a) Minute 31/24: Potholes have not been filled. The clerk was asked to remind PCC.

36/24 <u>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION</u>

No public present.

37/24 PLANNING APPLICATION

The following planning application was considered:

a) 23/1039/PA: Variation of condition 2 of planning permission 21/1048/PA to provide first floor holiday let accommodation above the existing holiday park reception and alterations and extension to existing swimming pool structure) at Sunnyvale Holiday Park, Valley Road, Wooden, SA69 9BP – Members did not wish to comment on this application.

38/24 FINANCIAL UPDATE TO 31ST MARCH 2024

The following financial information had been circulated:

- a) Bank Account Reconciliations Summary showing a balance of £13,710.71in the Current Acct, £3,166.74 in the Deposit Acct, £14,404.74 in the Parks account and £3,571.56 in the Jubilee Park Acct.
- b) The Financial Statement Cashbook showing income of £34,035.43 (net) and expenditure of £36,666,47 (net).
- c) The Financial Budget Comparison showing the Budget set, the actual income and expenditure figures and the balance remaining under each heading.

Cllr P Strydom requested that the financial statements be forwarded to him as he did not receive them. The clerk was requested to transfer £2,000 from the current account into the Jubilee Park account.

The closing balance of all accounts was £34,853.75 with £20,000 of this held as earmarked reserves. The budgeted expenditure figure was £43,800 and budgeted income figure was £36,882.92, however the figures given in point b) give an overspend of £2,631.04 instead of the budgeted £6,917.08 which resulted in a carry-over figure of £34,853.75.

RESOLVED: That the financial information shown above be accepted.

39/24 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The following accounts were approved for payment:

a) Mrs J Clark-Davies – April salary	£289.60
b) PAYE for April	£72.40
c) Google monthly subscription	£1.59
d) OVW payment for training session for Cllr C Perry.	£38.00
e) EWC&H Association – hall rental for 2023-24.	£165.00
f) J Clark-Davies - purchase of printer ink etc.	£11.99
g) OVW Renewal of membership for 2024-25	£371.00
h) J Clark-Davies – postages.	£5.25
i) Mike Lewis – repairs to strimmer	25.80
j) Newton Newton – purchase of D Day 80 flag	£28.80
k) PCC lease fee for land at Broadmoor	£77.00

40/24 MEMORANDUM OF RENT REVIEW ON PENTLEPOIR

A second Memorandum of Rent Review document had been received from PCC relating to land adjoining The Meadows, Pentlepoir indicating that the yearly rent will be £112.01 exclusive of rates or VAT. It was agreed to sign the document and return to PCC.

RESOLVED: That the document be signed and returned to PCC.

41/24 RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP OF ONE VOICE WALES

An invitation to renew our membership of One Voice Wales at a cost of £371 had been received. It was agreed to renew membership and that payment be made and the document signed and returned to OVW.

RESOLVED: Membership of OVW be renewed at a cost of

£371.00.

42/24 UPDATE ON PLAY AREAS INSPECTION REPORTS/HIGH RISK ITEMS

The March playpark inspection reports had been received and circulated. Members focussed on the high-risk items, and it was agreed that these be dismantled and removed from the parks to make them safe. The Clerk was asked to try again to contact the clerk to St Florence CC about their new play area and to follow up with Sovereign for their quote for new play equipment at Pentlepoir. Cllr I W will order the appropriate board for Pentlepoir's multi play units as these will need replacing as soon as possible. The quote from Sovereign will be discussed at the earliest opportunity once received.

43/24 CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence had been received.

- a) Stephen Crabb MP introduction as Welsh Conservative candidate for new Mid and South Pembrokeshire constituency at the next general election noted.
- b) OVW Annual timetable for Financial Actions noted.
- c) SW Wales New Regional Transport Plan no comment.
- d) New consultation Senedd Cymru (Electoral Candidate Lists) Bill no comment.
- e) PPS introduction from new company offering playpark inspections and maintenance request quote.
- f) PCC Working Better Together report of remote meeting re websites noted for future discussion.
- g) Paul Sartori Cancer Charity letter of thanks for donation noted.

44/24 REPORT OF COUNTY CLLR JACOB WILLIAMS

Cty Cllr J Williams submitted the following report:

Seven street lights in a row, along the A478 in Wooden, had stopped working in late March, but are now working again. Cllr Williams felt for obvious reasons it was unlikely to be a coincidence that these were the same seven lights which stopped working suddenly in November 2022. The repair, at least on this occasion, required a brief period during which the road was under traffic light control.

Cllr Williams sought the community council's views on a resident's suggestion that a mini roundabout on the A478, similar to those which had been placed on this road's junctions with Templebar Road and Station Road, Pentlepoir, could be installed at the end of Valley Road, Wooden. As part of the discussions, Cllr Williams also sought views on the idea of situating a ramp on the A478 northbound entrance to the Templebar Road mini roundabout, with the aim of reducing the speed of traffic joining from the Tenby direction, which has not seen any noticeable corresponding decrease following the 20mph speed limit downgrade.

In brief updates, including on previous matters: Cllr Williams explained that, although it was located in the neighbouring ward, he was pleased to see that, following representations by several of the area's county councillors, the Co-Operative Group had made good on their pledge to carry out patch repairs to the very worst pothole near the Kilgetty Community Hall. This was greatly appreciated, especially as these long-anticipated works are part of their further pledge to completely resurface the affected area in due course. Elsewhere, PCC had finally reinstated the Kingsmoor Road sign at its junction with the A478, which had been knocked off its posts. Following an open recruitment process, PCC has just appointed a new head of planning. Mrs Harriet Lavender, a long-serving employee of the council's planning service, had been filling the role on an interim basis following the departure of Mrs Nicola Gandy late last year. Finally, as advertised, the 381bus service as of April 2nd is operated by First Cymru, with a slight change to the timetable in that the departure time from Tenby, and therefore subsequent stops, is 8 minutes earlier.

RESOLVED: That Cty Cllr J Williams be thanked for his report.

45/24 <u>ITEMS FROM MEMBERS</u>

The following matters were raised by councillors:

- a) A pothole caused by subsidence outside of The Old Farm, EW needs filling by PCC.
- b) A pothole in front of Croft House also due to subsidence is getting worse.
- c) The hedges on Templebar Road outside 'Kookaburra' needs cutting back. Send letter to Highways Dept requesting it be cut.
- d) A local resident complained about piles of prunings in JP, however she was told it will be removed. It is looking in good condition at the moment.
- e) A streetlight outside 7 Millfield Close is on during the day. This will be reported to PCC.
- f) Members suggested that we should order a new defibrillator for outside the bus shelter on Valley Road. Cllr PS will contact Tony Wall.
- g) The Valley Road bus shelter is in very bad condition and badly needs repairs to the roof and other items. Request PCC to do some repairs.
- h) Cllr R Day had mentioned to the Clerk about the increasing amount of litter deposited on the road between Jeffreyston and Broadmoor which he

thinks is being blown off the council wagon due to it being overfull. He did a litter pick along this road and the following week it was just as bad.

46/24 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 9^{th} May at 7.00pm due to the Clerk being away on the scheduled date of 2^{nd} May.

The meeting closed at 8.55p	m.	
Signed	Chair	Date
Signed	. Clerk	