MINUTES OF A MEETING OF EAST WILLIAMSTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 4TH FEBRUARY 2016 AT EAST WILLIAMSTON COMMUNITY HALL AT 7.00PM.

PRESENT: Cllr D McIntosh (Chair

Cllr Mrs K Talbot Cllr T Ensom Cllr C Hopkinson Cllr A Ratcliffe Cllr I Wilkinson Cllr J Williams

APOLOGIES: Cllr I Prout

15/16 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

16/16 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 12th January 2016 were proposed and seconded. They were agreed as a true record.

17/16 MATTERS ARISING

The following matters were raised:

- The reasons for the approval of the two Caravan parks year-round occupation were circulated and these explained why they had been approved.
- b) The Chair and Cllr Hopkinson will attend the public meeting regarding the planned closure of the Avenue Centre.
- c) The Clerk had contacted Ramblers and left a message. She had downloaded an information booklet.
- d) Three requests had been received for the tender document.
- e) Cllr Ensom provided information on the planning portal that provides plans for councils.

18/16 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following planning applications were considered:

15/1048/PA: Roseville, Cold Inn – two storey extension to rear of existing dwelling - SUPPORT

15/0937/PA: The Orchards, Pentlepoir – extension of first floor area over existing single level and part of integral balcony. – NO COMMENT.

Rosehill in East Williamston – the owners of this property have requested permission to connect to mains sewer over our land. No objections were

raised as long as the land is reinstated to its current condition and that any subsidence that subsequently arises will be filled in.

19/16 PLAY AREAS

Pentlepoir: - PCC have reported several splits in the wood of various pieces of play equipment. Cllr Hopkinson will inspect and report back to next meeting. **Broadmoor**: PCC have reported a worn shackle on the multi play (senior). Spoil is being dumped against the fence and the perpetrator will be asked to desist.

East Williamston Park: It was agreed that Bizzy Play be requested to replace the damaged timber which is under warranty. However with regard to the most recent faults reported it was agreed that the clerk should arrange a site meeting with PCC, Bizzy Play and cllrs.

20/16 CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was received:

- a) OVW Buckingham Palace Garden parties our chairman has been selected to attend noted.
- b) Queens 90th birthday beacons no action
- c) Pembs Coast Nat Park Auth Local Dev Plan Annual Monitoring Report. noted.
- d) One Voice Wales subscription renewal approved.

21/16 COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER MAILSHOT

Cllr K Talbot had put together some ideas of what could be included in a newsletter which could be circulated in May. It was agreed that we should try to get some advertising or sponsorship to cover costs. The clerk offered to obtain information from Hook CC as to how they distribute theirs. Agreed that this be included on next agenda by which time something will be drafted up.

RESOLVED: That information be obtained from Hook CC and that

this matter be discussed at the next meeting.

22/16 DRAFT RESPONSE TO DRAFT LOCAL GOVT (WALES) BILL

Draft responses had been circulated by the clerk prior to the meeting and these had been studied by members. It was agreed that the responses be as the draft with some slight amendments, particularly that this Council wants the county of Pembrokeshire to remain a independent county and not merged with two other counties to form another Dyfed which did not work.

RESOLVED: That the responses as circulated with small

amendments be sent with particular emphasis on

Pembrokeshire remaining as it is.

23/16 BANK BALANCES

The bank balances as of 31st January 2016 were given as follows:

 Current Acct
 £11,995.57

 Saver Acct
 £6,083.30

 Parks Acct
 £13,038.72

24/16 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The following accounts were approved for payment:

a) Mrs J Clark – Salary January	£189.13
b) PAYE for January	£47.20
c) Tenby Observer – advert for maintenance tender	£72.00
d) OVW – subscription 2016-2017	£248.00

25/16 REPORT OF COUNTY CLLR JACOB WILLIAMS

Cllr Williams reported that it has been estimated that in order to comply with wide-ranging new Welsh language standards it will cost Pembrokeshire County Council an alarming £1m per year. The standards due to come into force for many Welsh public bodies seeks to prioritise the Welsh language over English in certain instances, including public address announcements and telephone greetings. New requirements for Welsh versions of all written documents is thought by many councils to be extremely onerous. Simultaneous translation services will now have to be automatically provided at every council event or meeting that is open to the public (whether used or not) which will be very costly, at a time when other services are having to be cut back or abolished for far smaller savings than the regulations will cost to comply with.

The suggestions from PricewaterhouseCoopers, the financial services firm brought in by PCC's chief executive to identify budget savings, are now expected to be mainly implemented within the 2017/18 budget rather than the upcoming 2016/17 budget as anticipated, which is to be approved shortly. Councillors are still yet to receive any detailed feedback from PwC on their progress so far, they had been told to expect a presentation by the end of 2015.

RESOLVED: That Cllr Williams be thanked for his report.

26/16 ITEMS FROM COUNCILLORS

The following matters were raised by councillors:

 a) Vic and Sheila Norman of Kingsmoor Close were congratulated on raising £ 1,400 for the Paul Sartori charity with their Christmas lights last Christmas.

- b) The streetlight outside Annedfan, Station Road, Pentlepoir is not working.
- c) Bus stop outside Templebar Road entrance drainpipe has fallen off report to PCC.
- d) The pavement between Corner Piece and the play area needs cleaning as it is very leafy and mossy and could result in someone slipping.
- e) Colin to be asked to lay stone paving slabs close to noticeboard at Pentlepoir
- f) The hole at the bottom of Elverston Lane is sinking again report to PCC.
- g) Outside Croft Cottage a dip in road keeps sinking report to PCC
- h) The Hall accounts indicated that there are no surplus funds and unfortunately the boiler needs replacing. It is possible that it was undersized when installed. Council are asked if there is any money available to assist with purchase of replacement. This will be put on agenda of next meeting for full discussion.
- i) D Beynon has offered to buy the containers from us but it was agreed that they should not be sold as we need them for storage.

27/16 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on	Thursday 3rd March	2016 at 7.00pm.
The meeting closed at 9.25pm.		

Signed	Chair	Date
Signed	Clerk	