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St Florence Community Council Meeting

Held at Village Hall, St Florence

7.30pm on Tuesday 7th February 2017

Present: Councillors Buckmaster (Chair), R Hughes, S Hughes

Also Present: R Ruff (Clerk), Philip Kidney (County Councillor), 10 members of public

Not Present: Cllr D Evans

Public Participation: Mrs J Muckleston expressed concerns about a broken seat by Brookside House, it was agreed that the responsibility for the seat does not lie with the Community Council. Also noted was an Interpretation Board that had come off the wall by the Old Mill, a dog waste bin that was very much needed by the Old Mill and concerns of tipping of building materials adjacent to the Concrete Road.

Mr Darren Evans spoke with regards to a proposed Summer Festival Event, he would like to put on in July/August time within the village, Mr Evans asked whether the Council would be able to help with the arrangements, all agreed very happy to help; great idea for the village. This will be put onto March Agenda.

Mr A Barlow and Miss J Boardman spoke regarding their concerns arising from floating embers from the village bonfire in November on the playing fields. They expressed the opinion that they felt the bonfire was too close to their house and would the council consider moving the fire further away for this year's bonfire celebrations in November. ~~The Risk Assessment will be re-looked at and a~~ *As happened.*
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event is Risk Assessed.
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Five residents living immediately adjacent to the proposed development at Ash Grove attended the meeting to discuss various concerns with regards to the proposed new development. The points discussed included: worries about ground water run off (storm water drainage), tree felling, access problems, and houses being oversized for the plots. They also felt that the, modern design of houses out of keeping within the conservation area of a medieval village. Discussions were lengthy and it was agreed that the Clerk will write a letter to the Planning Department, detailing the points and expressing the resident's concerns. It was also suggested that each of the residents write their own letters to the Planning Department detailing individual concerns.

7/2/17 1. Apologies

Cllr D Evans

7/2/17 2. Declarations of Interest

None received

7/2/17 3. Signing of Minutes from both December and January Meetings

December and January Minutes were approved and signed off.

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4. Matters Arising for information only

- 4.1 Planting of spring bulbs** – The planting of 1000 bulbs on the main road into the village has now been completed by the Councillors.
- 4.2 Fly Tipping** – County Cllr Kidney advised that the promised letters would be sent out to residents within one week of the date of the meeting.
- 4.3 Funding Updates** – Unfortunately the LNG funding is now out of date. The Welsh Church Fund (repairs to the roof) their meeting will be held on the 23rd February.
- 4.4 Clerks Probationary Period** – Clerk to adapt a copy of the model Contract from the existing template, which is then to be presented at the March meeting of the Council.
- 4.5 Village Hall Car Park** – A load of dust has been delivered to smooth off the surface of the additional parking area. Councillors felt that an additional load may be required to complete.
- 4.6 Football/Cricket Club Updates** – Both clubs seem to be doing very well. Girls and Boys football equipment has now been moved from the garage to Storeroom 4 in readiness to house the new tractor and mower. Some equipment has been left by the Cricket Club and a request had been received for this to continue. Following discussion Councillors voted for the removal of the left over equipment. The Chair will meet with Jonathan Edwards from the Cricket Club before the next meeting in March to arrange disposal.

5. Planning Applications

- 5.1** Ash Grove, St Florence, 16/1025/PA – Proposed Sun Room Extension. NO COMMENTS.
- 5.2** Variation of Condition 2, 16/0112/PA, North of Fiddlers Lane - Stable Block move. NO COMMENTS.
- 5.3** Ash Grove, St Florence, 16/1056/PA – Development of nine residential dwellings. (See separate notes in Public Participation).

6. Village Hall & Village Hall Matters

- 6.1 Village Grass Cutting Tender** – The Council are very happy with works from our current contractors 'Smart Gardens'. It was agreed that their contract will run again for another year, it will be assessed in November 2017 for 2018 season.
- 6.2 Unsafe Fence on walkway between Parsons Green and Parsonage Inn** – The unsafe fence has now been removed. A replacement is not deemed necessary, agreed by all.

7. Correspondence Received


Correspondence have been received in the month by local residents Mr A Barlow and Ms J Boardman expressing their concerns over Bonfire night (notes as per public participation). They also expressed their concerns about the over trimming of the hedge along the sports field that borders Fiddlers Lane. Councillors explained that the Coppicing process was needed every year to keep the hedges in order.

8. Accounts and Finances

- 8.1 Bank Reconciliation** as at 12th January 2017, all noted and agreed.
- 8.2 Checking of Bank Reconciliation by non-signatory member** - Cllr R Hughes checked and signed the bank reconciliation

- 8.3 **Actual V Budget** – The spreadsheet needs to be updated and 2017 figures added, this to be completed by next meeting. Invoices and cheques were presented for signature.
9. **Items for March 2017 Meeting** – Proposed Village Festival July/Aug and 'Next Door Social Networking Site'
10. **County Councillors Reports** – County Cllr P Kidney noted:
- * The new Pembrokeshire budget for 2017 has been published, a £10.7 million saving which will effect all areas has been noted.
 - * The Fly tipping letters will be sent out within one week to all residents on Fiddlers Lane.
 - * It has been agreed that Tenby Cottage Hospital will remain open as a 'Minor injury Unit' following the successful piloted last summer.
 - * Cllr Kidney agreed that with regards to the Ash Grove development, individual letters from residents will be much more effective than a petition from the local area.
11. **Time and Date of next meeting** – 7:30pm on Tuesday 2nd March 2017.

Meeting Closed at 2100 hours.



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