

FREYSTROP COMMUNITY COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 10th APRIL 2017

Present. Cllr's D. Thomas, E. Utting, D. Harries, R. John, G. Hughes.
County Cllr M. John, C. Griffith (Clerk)

Members of the Public. Ms. Carolynne Green.

Apologies. J. Streeter.

1. PUBLIC FORUM.

The Chair, Cllr Thomas welcomed everyone to the meeting and invited Ms Green to speak. Ms Green said that she had attended to answer any questions the council may have regarding the planning applications submitted for her property. Cllr Thomas said that he had received notification that morning that the planning application in respect of the menage had been passed with conditions and that the planning application regarding waste disposal was still outstanding. Cllr Thomas said that he hoped that one of the conditions for the menage would prohibit any business use of the eastern access lane but this had not been imposed. However Ms Green said that there would be no business use on that lane and it would be solely for personal use

Cllr Thomas gave further clarification on the applications and then Ms Green left the meeting.

2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 13th March 2017 were passed as a true record, and signed by the Chair. Proposed by Cllr John and seconded by Cllr Utting.

3. MATTERS ARISING.

(a) Council Elections.

Cllr Thomas said that there would not be a community council election in Freystrop as only six candidates had put their names forward. County Cllr John said he was being returned unopposed and thanked the community council for their support. He asked the councillor's opinion on holding surgeries.

(b) Clerks Contract.

Cllr Thomas said that he and the clerk had discussed the content of the contract, which would be finalised and signed shortly.

(c) The meeting of Johnston Scouts had been postponed and was being rescheduled.

(d) Donations to CRUSE and Wales Air Ambulance. It was proposed by Cllr Utting and seconded by Cllr Harries that the council donate £50 to each charity.

4. CORRESPONDENCE.

(a) Paul Sartori Foundation are holding an anniversary celebration on 18th April 2017 at the Catholic Church, Haverfordwest. Cllr Harries will represent the council.

(b) Houses of Parliament. Information regarding UK Parliament Week. Clerk will attend.

REPORTS.

5. HIGHWAYS AND RIGHT OF WAY.

(a) Pelican Crossing.

Cllr Thomas had written to Darren Thomas, Highways Dept, at PCC regarding the provision of a pelican crossing in the village. The letter had been acknowledged and a fuller reply is to follow.

(b) Speed camera volunteer.

The volunteer had not yet submitted his application as he only wanted to operate the equipment in Freystrop.

(c) Excessive speed of vehicles travelling through the village was discussed and possible solutions. This would be discussed further at a later meeting.

6. PLANNING MATTERS.

(a) The application in respect of Hill croft had been approved with conditions.

(b) An application for tree felling had been received in respect to the Cobbles. The council would offer no comment.

7. VILLAGE HALL.

Cllr Thomas reported that a Fire and Safety inspection had been carried out in the hall. Due to the rate relief scheme there would be nothing payable in respect of the hall for Non Domestic rates.

Funding for a defibrillator was discussed and the clerk would enquire with South Hook LNG, who had supplied defibrillators to various councils in the past.

Cllr Thomas said that the British Gas Smart Meter now seemed to be working, but he would monitor the usage.

8. PLAYING FIELD.

Cllr Thomas gave an update on the work that had been carried out and the work outstanding. It seemed the work was taking longer than thought. Following concerns raised by Cllr John about the field being ready for the village fete, Cllr Thomas would arrange a site meeting between the council and the contractors.

9. CEMETERY.

There was nothing to report.

10. PCC MATTERS.

Cllr M. John gave an update on the 6th form provision for the Haverfordwest schools and the timetable for changes.

11. MEMBERS REQUESTS AND ITEMS NOT REQUIRING RESOLUTIONS.

(a) The Clerk reported that he had been in contact with the web team at PCC regarding Freystrop community council having a web presence and he had been informed that grants were still available. He explained that PCC would receive the grant and would then host our page on their website, with no additional costs to Freystrop CC. It was agreed by the meeting to go ahead with this proposal.

(b) Cllr Hughes asked if it was possible for a bus shelter to be provided in the village. Cllr M. John said that he had asked PCC a short time ago and was told that there was no money available in the present year, but as it was now a new financial year he would ask again.

(c) Cllr Utting said that Cllr Thomas had incurred costs in carrying out his duties during the last year and she felt that he should be reimbursed. She then proposed that the sum of £100 be given to Cllr Thomas to cover his costs. Cllr Harries seconded the proposal and it was agreed by the meeting.

The meeting closed at 9.10pm