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Minutes of the meeting of Stackpole and Castlemartin Community Council held at Stackpole VC School on Monday, February 6th 2017, at 7.30pm.

Present: P Nicholas, A Evans, B Rae, B Evans, E Morris and the clerk, Rose Kennington. Apologies received from Councillors Mirehouse, Alderman and Edwards.

Acceptance of minutes of meeting of Stackpole and Castlemartin Community Council held on January 9th 2017: Proposed by Councillor Peter Nicholas and seconded by Councillor Barbara Rae.

Update on current issues

- 1. Broadband provision:** Fibre optic broadband is up and running in Castlemartin. Councillor David Edwards has contacted Angela Burns stating that the village has been waiting for over a year. BT stated that Stackpole is far down in the queue for connection. No further developments at the time of the meeting.
- 2. Closure threat to Stackpole VC School:** Final approval has been given a temporary governing body is in place. Clive Condon has been appointed as the new headmaster. The name for the new school has been decided and will be Penrhyn (welsh for peninsula). Email received from Barry Cooke Head of Property at PCC stating that PCC owns the school under two deeds of transfer. The main part of the site (excluding the additional playing field) is subject to a buy back clause in favour of the original owners whereby PCC must serve notice on the vendors or trustees of its wish to sell and the vendors may within one month of such notice elect to purchase the property at a price equivalent to the then existing market value thereof. The playing field is subject to a restrictive covenant not to use it other than for recreational purposes for the school. At the appropriate time PCC will serve notice on the vendors (for the main site) of their wish to dispose and, if they chose not to buy back, PCC will then draw up proposals for the marketing of the site. Disposal of the playing site will involve PCC liaising with the vendors to see if the restrictive covenant can be lifted or relaxed before making any decisions on its future. The councillors asked the clerk to write to Barry Cooke requesting a Village Hall for Stackpole on the site which would contribute to the wellbeing of the community. The community council was notified that because of a delay the new school will not open until January 2018. For one term only the new school will operate out of Stackpole VC School. The ground has been cleared. PCC has still not provided an indicative budget. No further developments at the time of the meeting.
- 3.** The councillors asked the clerk to write to Ruth Edwards the dog warden requesting bigger dog fouling signs to be put up on the entrance and exit of the village. The councillors again asked the clerk to chase this matter up as no response has been received.

4. The councillors asked the clerk to write to Darren Thomas and request that the bushes opposite 6&7 Woodland Rise be trimmed back. The bushes facing the road have been trimmed inside the fence to be trimmed in the New Year. The councillors asked the clerk to chase this again as the inside has still not been trimmed.

NEW CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from GDW Building Services with an estimate to rebuild the display cabinet notice board.

FINANCE

Balance of Community Account @ Jan 7th 2017: £935.97

Cheques agreed this month:

100120 Stackpole VC School Room Hire £15.00

100121 Miss R. Kennington, clerk's salary and expenses, £93.67

PLANNING

NP/16/0639/FUL – Single storey side extensions – Coombe Dingle, Stackpole, Pembroke, Pembrokeshire, SA71 5DB.

NP/16/0675/FUL & NP/16/0676/LBA – Refurbishment and extension to existing cottage and outbuildings. Parke, Merrion, Castlemartin, Pembroke, Pembrokeshire, SA71 5DU

AOB

Councillor Morris requested that the clerk contact Darren Thomas and request that the bushes be cut back from the road outside Creature on the way into the village of Bosherton.

Next Meeting: The meeting closed at 8.30 pm. The council will next meet at Castlemartin Community Hall on Monday 6th March 2017 at 7.30 pm.