ROSEMARKET COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held at the Village Hall, Rosemarket on Monday 6th November 2017

Present: Cllrs Jill Gibson (Chair), Barbara Summons, M.B.E., Steve Davies, David

Hancock, Rhys Jones; Peter Horton (Clerk);

Apologies: C'llr Colin Evans

Declarations of interest

None

Minutes of the October 2017 monthly meeting

The minutes were accepted as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman (proposer C'llr Barbara Summons, seconder C'llr Rhys Jones).

Matters Arising

Bridleway. The Clerk reported to Members on the information received from P.C.C. Public Rights of Way Department. The use of the bridleway by users in vehicles could only be legal if a private use right had been established. Breaches of this would be dealt with by the Police, not the local Authority. Planning applications would not be influenced by consideration of this matter. However, P.C.C. would not consent to improve the bridleway surface beyond the standard needed for pedestrian and equestrian use. The Clerk also reported that a response was still awaited from Welsh Water on the separate issue of the raised inspection chamber cover.

Computer. The Clerk reported to Members that the computer did not appear to be repairable, but was at least useable for the time being using a separate keyboard. Matter to be reviewed in the New Year, with purchase of a new laptop (cost to be shared with Johnston and Burton Community Councils) the most likely option.

Peter Crook. No reply had been received to the letter sent out in September. However, C'llr Barbara Summons said that some branches had been removed from around the bus shelter. C'llr David Hancock commented that there were still some overhanging branches that needed attention. Members seemed uncertain over the actual ownership of the land, given some recent changes of ownership. C'llr David Hancock to have a closer look on site to see what the current state of affairs is, and report back to the December meeting.

Cemetery. At the suggestion of C'llr Barbara Summons, the Clerk had not, after all, written the letter requesting a key to the cemetery gates. Members agreed that this might simply cause confusion, and the matter was left in abeyance.

Long vehicle signage. The Clerk reported on the response from P.C.C., which detailed proposals for some warning signage. Clerk to reply, requesting one additional sign at the top of Thurston Lane as well. Clerk to invite comments from C'llr Colin Evans prior to sending letter.

Wall outside 2, Middle St. Nothing further had been heard regarding the proposals to carry out improvement /stabilisation works to the retaining wall. Clerk to chase up with P.C.C.

Plans

Applications

17/0743/PA (Removal of conditions from planning permission ref. 11/0838/PA for erection of dwelling at 11, The Glades, Rosemarket SA73 1JQ) no comment.

17/0741/PA (Proposed Garage, 11, The Glades, ROSEMARKET, Milford Haven, Pembrokeshire, SA73 1JQ) – no comment.

Consents issued (for information)

17/0533/PA (retaining wall, 10 Front Street, Rosemarket).

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Accounts

Payments

Wales Audit Office (2016/17 audit fee) £186-75 Royal British Legion (wreath) £ 15-00

Members approved the above items (proposer C'llr Steve Davies, seconder C'llr Rhys Jones).

Correspondence

- 1) P.C.C. response to request for warning signage for long vehicles covered under matters
- 2) P.C.C. response to letter about problems at recycling area noted, and matter left in abeyance.
- 3) Mid & West Wales Fire and Rescue Authority consultation on draft plan noted.
- 4) One Voice Wales Invitation to attend Pembrokeshire Area Committee meeting scheduled for Tuesday 7th November 2017 – noted and Clerk to report back on any relevant information from B.C.C., as one of their members planned to attend.

Any necessary discussion of Village maintenance

Grass-cutting. C'llr Steve Davies reported that, despite previous assurances, just edges had again been cut in the playpark on The Beacon. Clerk to follow up, and also involve C'llr Rob. Summons as needed to achieve a satisfactory result.

Discussion of proposed works at the Village Amenity

Members discussed the proposals at some length. Arrangements were made for a site visit at 9am, Saturday 11th November, to discuss the matter further, prior to obtaining the quotations needed.

Discussion of social media presence for Community Council

Members were reminded that the Community Council does operate a webpage, though not a social media account. Members agreed that a trial of a Twitter account should be tried until Christmas 2017, to be opened and administered by C'llr David Hancock. Clerk to forward a picture of the dovecote to C'llr Hancock for the account front page. C'llr Hancock to forward a link to the account to the Clerk, for placement on the Community webpage.

Discussion of defibrillator provision in Community

Members were in agreement to work towards placing two defibrillators in the Village initially, with a fund-raising effort to obtain the necessary funds. C'llr David Hancock to place notice on the new Twitter account. Clerk to place a notice on the Community webpage and in the Community noticeboards to raise awareness of this. Members to consider possible list of local businesses that could be invited by letter to support the initiative. Matter to be placed on agenda for December for further discussion.

Discussion of obtaining of playground equipment for The Beacon

Members agreed to proceed with the quotation from P. Busby to install the equipment, on the basis that the eventual cost to the Community would be in the region of £600, with the balance being covered by the PRIDE grant (proposer C'llr Steve Davies, seconder C'llr Rhys Jones). Clerk to put in hand with Mr. Busby.

Discussion of issues with recycling area opposite the church

Covered under Correspondence above.

Any other business

10, Middle Street. Members noted that a bay with disabled lift had been installed at the property. While not objecting to the work, questions were raised about whether proper process had been followed, as no consultation had been received. Matter to be placed on agenda for discussion in December, and Clerk to research in the meantime whether any permission had been granted, and in what form.

Public Forum.

There were no members of the public present.

The meeting ended at 20-50.

Date of next meeting

Monday December 4th, 2017, 7pm.