

MINUTES

Letterston Community Council held their Ordinary Monthly Meeting at 7.30 p.m. on Monday 19th May 2014 in the Memorial Hall.

Members Present: J Williams, R Davies, B Homer, J Gwilt, G Thomas, M Harries, K Codd

In attendance: P Messer (Clerk/Treasurer) T Richards (Councillor)

Apologies: S Howells, H Johnson, B Morgan

Minutes:

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting Monday 14th April 2014 were amended to reflect that J Gwilt requested a recorded vote and were then accepted as a true record.

Proposed R Davies, Seconded B Homer. All agreed. The Chairman J Williams signed the minutes.

Matters Arising:

- 1) R Davies raised the issue of children needing transport to the skate park in Haverfordwest. Clerk to go back to PCSO Jude Parr to see if she has any suggestions. B Homer responded that Health and Safety and insurance would be an issue for any service provider.
- 2) The light outside Mr Schofields' has still not been moved. Clerk to email PCC and remind them.
- 3) T Richards to consider previous queries about the Court House pathways and the mobile home by the Co-option
- 4) Community Council Car Park. G Thomas reported that he did not think the school would need use of the community council car park as they were considering altering the parking facilities by the pond.
- 5) The boat still hasn't been moved from John Luke's yard. It is destined for Prendegast School. To be reviewed at next meeting if it still is there.
- 6) There are moles near the bungalows on the commons. Clerk to contact Milgi moles again.

PCC's Report

The Chairman passed on congratulations to T Richards who has taken over the Chairmanship of PCC. PCC is still working on the improvement plan to make savings. Contrary to reports in the paper T Richards has not had a significant payrise. R Davies questioned why the Chief executive is still there. T Richards responded that we would still need a chief executive. J Williams questioned why two new councillors were taken on when we are facing cuts. T Richards responded that it was due to workload and that the matter was not in his control.

Finance

The AON insurance premium had increased significantly to £1869.79 due to the settlement of a Personal Injury Claim during the past 12 months.
G I Lewis - £600 – Grgass Cutting
Milgi Mole - £45.00

Correspondence

Planning Application – 13/1025/PA – Renewal of 10/1101/PA – re-develop land for business use – Old Station Yard, Station Road, Letterston – **Not Opposed**
PCC – Remittance advice Precept - £5000
PCC – A strategy for the participation and rights of children and young people in Pembrokeshire
PCC – removal of the two signature rule for cheque signing – **Agreed to stay the same**
PCSO Jude Parr – Proposal for a community arts project – **Clerk to respond**
AON Insurance renewal - £1869.79
G I Lewis – Grasscutting Invoice
Misco – New laptop Invoice
Experience Pembrokeshire Festivals and Events Guide
Clerks and Councils Direct Newsletter
Play Wales Brochure
Open Letters from Solva Community Council – Clerk to distribute for next meeting

John Luke's Yard

Clerk to go ahead and seek valuations even if there is a fee payable.

Letterston Toilets

J Gwilt reported that the cleaner was having significant problems with the new arrangement for the toilets. It is unlocked 24 hours a day and the lights are on all day and night. More worryingly it seems that people are urinating in the bus shelter and in the doorway of the gents. J Gwilt requested a recorded vote on whether we keep them open. J Gwilt put forward a motion to close the toilets and put up a notice to that effect. G Thomas seconded. B Homer proposed we keep them open. M Harries seconded.
3 votes to close
4 votes to keep open
Clerk to explore if there is any possibility of the Trunk road Agency taking them over. J Gwilt maintains that it should be a basic human right to keep toilets open.
Clerk to contact PCC to enquire why we haven't had any bills or meter readings. It was also felt that we could not consider the proposed Graffiti

Project until all problems with the toilets were resolved. B Homer commented that the project would not solve the problem with children in the village. Clerk to contact coach companies to advise them that the toilets are closed. However this will not solve the issues faced by companies outside of the area. Clerk also to write to the Echo to inform them of the reduced facilities.

Grass Cutting

Emrys John has offered to cut the new area of grass at a cost of £70. J G wilt suggested we ask the present contractor to quote. It was agreed to let Emrys cut it for now until we have a price from I Lewis.

Any other business

- 1) G Thomas requested a copy of the minutes of the AGM by Tuesday 20th May .
- 2) There is a problem with Dog fouling from the square to the Memorial Hall. Signs are still up and the public should be reporting directly to the dog warden.
- 3) T Richards provided the information that the Trecwm project is prodeeding.

Meeting Closed 9.05pm