

## MERLINS BRIDGE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2018 at 7.00pm in the Village Hall, Merlin's Bridge

**Present:** Cllrs Mary Owen (Chair), Alison Palmer, Hilliard Studley, Paul Davies, Janice Morgan, John Cole, Grant Lewis, Nick Stamp, Queenie Thomas and R Johnson (Clerk).

**1. Apologies:** Cllrs Richard Thomas and Jessica Massey

**2. Additional Agenda Items:** None.

#### **3. Minutes of the Last Meeting**

There were two small amendments to the minutes: Item 7 – Cllrs Alison Palmer & Mary Owen did not attend the PCC Planning meeting and Item 13 – the Clerk's appraisal would be carried out by Chair, Vice-Chair and Mary Owen. Following these small amendments the minutes were accepted as an accurate record and signed by the Chair. Proposed by Cllr John Cole and seconded by Cllr Hilliard Studley.

#### **4. Matters Arising:**

- Defibrillator – Cllr Cole agreed to speak to Cariad about going ahead with getting a second device for the village. Servicing issues etc to be clarified.
- Hate Crime/Police – PC Eve Rees had emailed the clerk wishing to meet up to discuss the alleged incident. It was agreed that that the clerk should send her a copy of the original response sent to PCC by MBCC and also a copy of the amended comments posted on social media and also to request a copy of the complaint made. PC Rees had proposed 14<sup>th</sup> May as a date to meet and it was agreed that Cllrs Alison Palmer, John Cole and Paul Davies would meet up with PC Rees.
- Notice Boards – the clerk was asked to see if she could find out where the board in Waterston had come from.
- Cobblers – Cllr Stamp voiced concerns over the appearance of the cobblers shop in Merlin's Bridge which was currently very unsightly.

#### **5. Correspondence:**

- OVW – Charing Skills – it was agreed that Cllrs Mary Owen and Alison Palmer would attend this training session on 30<sup>th</sup> May at Milford Haven.
- Paul Sartori – posters requesting volunteers – put up on notice boards.
- Hywel Dda – Our Big NHS Change – Consultation Document – circulated to councillors.
- Independent Review – Open Doors for 24<sup>th</sup> May 2018 to collect view on Community and Town Councils. Noted – no action.
- Play Inspection – this was given to J Cole for the attention of the Welfare Committee.

#### **6. Donations:**

None for consideration this month.

**7. Planning**

Permission granted – 57-59 St Issell’s Avenue, Merlins Bridge.

Applications:

18/1115/PA – 34 St Issell’s Avenue – Extension to Property – no objection

18/0061/PA – 2 Greenhill Crescent – garage – no objection.

**8. County Councillor’s Report**

First parking ticket issued recently in Merlin’s Bridge under new trial system. This to include dog fouling, parking, litter etc. Cllr Queenie Thomas commented on the amount of fly-tipping in the area at present.

**9. Financial**

R Johnson – Salary and expenses	£379.22
HMRC – NI & Income Tax	£74.88
Zurich Insurance	£752.46
Bisley Munt – engraving of Chain of Office	£33.05

It was agreed that the above be paid in full.

**10. Clerk’s Contract of Employment**

Agenda item for June meeting.

**11. General Data Protection Regulations**

Clerk to attend a session arranged by PCC on 22<sup>nd</sup> May about new regulations.

**12. AOB**

- Cllr Studley asked if a branch of a tree at the Freystrop cemetery could be removed due to a tragic occurrence recently. Cllr Cole agreed to look into this.

**13. Date of the Next Meeting**

**Note: The next meeting will be held one week later than normal as agreed on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at 7.00pm in the Village Hall.**

The meeting ended at 9.10pm.

Signed:..... Chair

Dated:.....