

Minutes of the meeting of Templeton Community Council

Held in the Templeton Hall, Templeton on 21st February 2019

Present: Cllr P Morgan (Chair); Cllrs B. Priest, K. Williams, C. Hughes, L. Burns, E. Morse.

- 1) To accept apologies for absence.** These were received from Cllrs J. Jennings and M. Simpkins.
- 2) To disclose personal and pecuniary interests in the items listed below.** Cllrs. Burns and Hughes declared an interest in the tenders for the Hall development project.
- 3) To agree and sign the minutes of the previous meetings on 17th and 24th January 2019.** These had been previously circulated. They were agreed as correct by all and duly signed.
- 4) To report on matters arising from previous minutes and decide further action as necessary:**
 - Hall development project. Cllrs Burns and Hughes took no part in this part of the meeting. The tenders had been received and circulated before the meeting. After a brief discussion it was agreed that independent expertise should be sought to advise the Council on how they compared. The Clerk was requested to forward them all to the consultant who had advised on the original bill of quantities, and to invite him to a meeting to discuss them with the Council.
 - Project B. Cllrs Burns and Hughes rejoined the meeting. Cllr Priest reported that the alternative funding source required evidence from the community that the proposals were wanted. It was agreed to arrange an open evening with the finalised plans, and potentially the appointed contractor, and to advertise this using flyers through the village. Then Clerk reported that the funding bid for the movable wall had been submitted – she would continue to look for other potential sources of funding.
- 5) New items of business.**
 - Minor amendment to Standing Orders to include the use of email for documents. The Clerk briefly explained why this was necessary. It was agreed by all that the Standing Orders should be updated – proposed by Cllr Morse, seconded by Cllr Williams.
 - PAVS volunteering. Cllr Priest briefly explained this, and all agreed that treatment of the Play Park was a suitable project to pass to them. Cllr Priest and the Clerk would co-ordinate the contact and documentation required. The Clerk was requested to draft a suitable volunteer policy
- 6) To receive items of correspondence:**
 - Wales Audit Office reports - noted.
 - Templeton notices of firing for February and March
 - One Voice Wales membership offer – this was declined.
 - Angela Burns AM poster – this would be displayed.
 - PCC Surface dressing programme information - noted.

Cllr Williams left the meeting.

7) County Councillor's report.

Cllr Morse stated that he was closely looking at the amended planning application for the new housing development near the Boar's Head. A debate then followed, particularly regarding serious concerns that were raised about the lack of provision for footpaths and safe access to and from that

area into the village. This was discussed at length and it was agreed that the Clerk should request an urgent site meeting with the planning officer and a highways officer from PCC to talk them through the perceived issues, and also to request that a speed survey be done on the roads to find the actual average speed of vehicles that would be passing the new housing development.

Cllr Morse also stated that it had been decided in the full Council meeting that day that PCC would be raising Council Tax by 10%.

8) To receive financial statement and the bank reconciliation.

The bank statement and a full reconciliation were presented to the meeting of £16,705.52 as of 14th February 2019. The detailed transactions were reviewed and accepted as correct.

The presented invoices were agreed for payment – proposed by Cllr Morse, seconded by Cllr Burns.

Second account - £31,182.72 as of 14th February 2019.

There had been no activity in this account in the preceding month.

9) Planning:

Application conditionally approved: 18/0967/PA. Roof replacement, widening side extension and raising the associated roof – Kings Park Farm, Templeton.

Application 18/1207/TF. Fell an ash tree to ground level in boundary hedge between lawn and highway – Forge Mill, Tanners Lane, Templeton. There were no objections to this.

10) Church Hall.

The financial statement and bank reconciliation was received, reviewed, and accepted - £6,478.90 as of 14th February 2019

The presented direct debits were agreed for payment – proposed by Cllr Burns, seconded by Cllr Morse.

11) Councillors' reports and matters for next month:

Cllr Priest expressed her thanks for the Cllrs who took down the hanging baskets in the village ready for planting.

12) To confirm the date of the next normal meeting to be Thursday 21st March 2019.

In addition there would be an extra meeting on Thursday 28th February with an independent consultant to assist the Council in deciding upon the successful tender for the Hall renovation project.

There being no other business, the meeting was declared closed at 9.10pm.