

LLAWHADEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL
INCORPARATING LLAWHADEN, ROBESTON WATHEN, GELLI & BETHESDA

Minutes for the Community Council meeting held on Thursday 7th February 2019 in Llawhaden YFC & Community Hall at 20:00hrs.

Present:

Hugh Watchman (Chairman)	Geraint Bowen
Tim Simmons	Catherine Hancock
Di Clements (County Councillor)	Samantha Philipps-Harries (Clerk)

1. Chairman's Remarks

The chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and extended a warm welcome to the 3 representatives from Robeston Wathen Village Hall.

A short discussion on the needs of the Hall was had and the representatives then left before the monthly community council meeting continued.

2. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Dave Wilcox and Samantha Hebblethwaite.

3. Declaration of Members Interests

No one present had any declaration of members interests to note.

4. Confirmation of Minutes of the Last Meeting

Minutes of the meeting held 3rd January 2019 were read and confirmed as a true record. Proposed by Tim and seconded by Catherine.

5. Matters Arising There From

- a. Maintenance of Llawhaden Green: residents had maintained the trees. Richard Staden of Landscape Officer with Pembrokeshire County Council (PCC) had visited the site and drawn up a plan advising what trees could be felled or just pruned. In relation to the trees that needed to be felled a tree surgeon had given an estimated quote of £500, for the work to be actioned. Obviously, this would be the responsibility of the trustees at present and Di would forward this information to them. It was proposed that a chipper be brought in to dispose of the trees that had been cut down, at an estimated hire cost of £90 plus the cost of fuel – proposed by Hugh and seconded by Geraint, Hugh would arrange this. There was still no response from CADW regarding the sign, the clerk would continue to chase them and PCC, as to when or if the sign would be re-sited. Hugh had taken delivery of the new noticeboard for the area and would arrange to hang the board as soon as possible. Di had forwarded the recommendations of the PCC Landscape Officer to the Trustees of the land, and they advised that a meeting of the trustees would take place soon to discuss what they hope to do with the land and took on board the need to maintain the trees.
- b. Defibrillator for Gelli: the heated cabinet for this defibrillator was on order from the defibstore at a cost of £622.80. It was agreed to pay the invoice to enable the defibrillator to be dispatched. Proposed by Hugh and seconded by Tim.
- c. Noticeboards: Hugh had organised a list of useful numbers to be placed in all the noticeboards in the ward, it was also agreed that the Agenda would also be displayed.
- d. Footpath between Robertson Wathen and Cannaston Woods: an email had been received from PCC Highways department advising that this footpath would not be considered due to there being a substantial verge area for persons to walk on safely and the bus service was a hail and ride service through Robeston Wathen.

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- e. Drains on the old Robeston Wathen to Narberth road: work to clear the drains and avoid any further flooding to the house on this road had been completed and hopefully resolved the problem.

6. Finance

a. NatWest Bank Statements dated 31/12/18 and estimated balance as at 31/01/19: since receiving the statements for 31/12/18 cheques had been presented on the account, therefore the estimated balances for the accounts as at the 31/01/2019 were as follows:

Current Account £5836.79

Business Reserve Account £1433.96

b. Invoice from Llawhaden YFC & Community Hall – Hall Hire for 2018/2019 for £345.00 had been received, it was agreed to pay. Proposed by Tim and seconded by Geraint.

c. Invoice from Rob Gibby for supplying and erecting a frame for the notice board in Bethesda for £36.00 had been received. It was agreed to pay proposed by Catherine and seconded by Tim.

7. Correspondence

No correspondence had been received.

8. Planning

a. Complaints had been received from residents regarding the building of shed on land in Llawhaden with no planning permission. It was unsure what could be done apart from the residents complaining to the planning department at PCC.

9. Points of interest raised by the County Councillor

Di had attended the Innovations in Care Models in the Community Seminar: where they were encouraging the set up micro care business' within local communities to help within a social care model.

Budget – it was believed that the council rate tax would increase by 9.9%, obviously people were questioning paying more for less services.

An investigation into homelessness in the county was due to take place.

There was no update on the speed surveys requested for areas in the ward at present.

10. Any Other Business

a. Catherine agreed to set up a Facebook page for the Llawhaden Community Council, to keep residents informed as to what was going on in the community.

b. A resident of Robeston Wathen had contacted the clerk to complain about the dog mess found on the pavements in Robeston Wathen. The clerk had replied to the resident to explain that ultimately the clearing of the mess laid with the person walk the dog, and although there were hefty fines for littering (which included dog mess) the enforcement officers would need to be witness this happening to enforce the fine. The clerk agreed to contact PCC and ask for the signage advising residents of the fines for not picking up after your dog, and a note would be added to the next edition of the newsletter.

c. Items for the next newsletter: Church services, local groups, historical articles for each area, update on work actioned on the area in Llawhaden and dog mess.

11. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Friday 15th March 2019 at 20:00hrs at Llawhaden YFC & Community Hall, Llawhaden.

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 21:47 hrs.