

## FREYSTROP COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 10<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2019

Present. Councillors D. Thomas, D. Harries, G. Hughes, R. John, R. Harries  
County Councillor M. John, C. Griffith.

1. Apologies. Councillor E. Utting.
2. Declarations of Interests. None were declared.
3. Questions from the Public. There were none present and no written questions had been received.
4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting.  
The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2019 were passed as a true record.  
Proposed by Cllr R. John and seconded by Cllr Hughes.
5. Matters Arising  
The Chair reported that the parking of vehicles in Heathfield Terrace was no longer a problem.  
The Clerk reported that he had spoken to the Locke Bros. And thanked them for cutting the grass verges.
6. Correspondence.
  1. PCC. Guidelines on submitting Enhancing Pembrokeshire Grants
  2. PLANED. Notice of AGM on 09/07/2019
  3. Paul Davies. Newsletter
  4. One Voice Wales. Innovative Practice Conference at Builth Wells.
  - 5/ One Voice Wales. Online learning modules.
7. Highways and Rights of Way.  
The Chair said that there were no new matters but a traffic accident near the driving range had closed the road for most of the day and had caused chaos.  
C.Cllr M. John said that Community Speed Watch had been active in the village recently and on 01/06/2019 they had registered 31 offenders, one over 40mph and one over 50 mph. This was in an hour and half period. On this occasion they had been accompanied by an unmarked Police Car. Cllr R. John said that it was dangerous for the children being dropped off by the school bus having to cross the road.
8. Planning Matters.  
The Chair reported that there were no new planning applications and no further news on the LDP.

## 9. Village Hall.

Bank Balances.

Current Account. £2971.59

Deposit Account. £1598.72

Cllr Thomas said that he had made arrangements to meet Bullock Consulting at the hall regarding a new heating system.

Exterior insulation was discussed as a possible means of making the hall warmer.

## 10. Cemetery.

Cllr Thomas said that he had meet with James Allen at the Cemetery to discuss the litter problems and the gate being left open. Mr Allen had promised that new larger signs would be fitted and that there would be litter patrols.

Cllr R. John said that the grass needed cutting.

## 11. Playing Field.

Cllr Thomas reported that the grass had been cut at a cost of £65, the total amount paid was £130, £65 for a second cut in 2018.

Cllr R. John asked what was happening to the goal posts. He thought they should remain in the field so that children could use them. Cllr Thomas said that he would clarify the position regarding ownership.

## 12. One Voice Wales &amp; PCC Liaison Meetings.

The Chair reported that at he last meeting he had attended those present had received a briefing from a representative of the Remuneration Panel for Wales. He then read out the relevant section that applied to community councils. The £150 expenses is mandated for every councillor and it has to be budgeted for in the precept. If the councillors do not wish to receive the money they must inform the Clerk in writing. The Chair also said that up to five councillors could be eligible for another £500 a year, dependent on responsibilities.

## 13. To consider the Review of Polling Districts and Polling Stations.

The Clerk reported that the review of polling districts did not affect Freystrop. The review of the polling stations had stated that Freysrop Village Hall was a good venue for a polling station.

## 14. Financial Matters.

Bank Account £19206.98

Accounts for payment

Clerks Wages, April, May & June.

PAYE.

It was proposed by Cllr D. Harries and seconded by Cllr R. John that the accounts be paid.

Cllr Thomas provisionally suggested transferring £5000 to pay for the drainage work needed in the playing field. This was by the meeting.

15. County Councillors Report.

Cllr M. John said that Cllr Simon Hancock from Neyland had recently been appointed Chair of Pembrokeshire County Council.

The Nash recycling centre had been closed

A County Councillor had submitted a motion regarding Climate Change and calling for greater recycling of plastics, etc.

Cllr John said that he does a report for the Hook and Llangwm newsletters and that he was happy to do the same for Freystrop. It was agreed that the Clerk would upload the report to the Freystrop Facebook page and the community council web page.

Pembrokeshire County Council were in the process of increasing council tax on empty properties. It was not meant to be a money raising exercise but to encourage the use of the houses.

16. Members Requests.

Cllr R. John said that he had been approached by residents who had asked about the possibility of having a defibrillator on the village. Cllr Thomas said that he would look into the matter.

17. Date of the next meeting.

The next meeting will be held on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2019