

St Mary Out Liberty Community Council

Minutes

Minutes of the General Meeting of the St Mary Out Liberty Community Council on Tuesday 10th December 2019 at 6.30 pm in the Village Hall, to transact the business stated below.

Present: Cllrs D Brace (Chairman), H Rawson Humphries (Vice Chair), and D O'Hanlon

In attendance: County Cllr Jon Preston and The Clerk

1. Apologies for Absence Cllrs D Nash and D Mitchell

2. The Consideration of the position for coopted Councillors

No further interest. Two positions for Councillors remain available.

3. To disclose any personal interests in items of business listed below.

Members are requested to identify the nature of the interest and indicate whether it is personal or prejudicial

None

4. Chairman's Report

Cllr Brace reported that the turning on of the Christmas lights followed by mulled wine and carol singing was well attended and enjoyed by all.

He is still concerned that the road sweeper does not travel through the village sweeping to road. Cllr Preston will contact Pembrokeshire County Council for further information.

Cllr Brace also reported that there are still drainage issue at St Anne's Church causing major issues. Cllr Preston will revert back to Pembrokeshire County Council for any further update.

5. To Receive the Minutes of the Meeting Held on the 12th November 2019

It was proposed by Cllr Rawson Humphries that these Minutes be a true and accurate record of the meeting of St Mary Out Liberty Community Council held upon the 12th November 2019; Cllr Brace seconded the proposal with all Council in full agreement

6. Matters Arising from the Minutes – Information Only

Cllr Preston's report – Trade waste has not been collected in New Hedges from certain businesses since the new collections have started, Cllr Preston will advise the Pembrokeshire County Council of such.

Bus Shelter Cleaning – It was reported that the bush shelter has been cleaned by the Pembrokeshire County Council.

7. Account(s) for Payment and consideration of the bank reconciliation

Cllr O'Hanlon proposed that the bank reconciliation be signed as a true record, Cllr Rawson Humphries seconded the proposal with all Council in full agreement.

Cllr Brace proposed that the accounts presented to the Council be paid in full; Cllr Rawson Humphries seconded the proposal with all Council in full agreement. The Clerk presented the cheques to the Council for signing.

8. Planning Application(s) Received

None

9. Licensing Application(s) Received

None

10. Consideration of Correspondence Received

Letter received from a resident of Cwm Gwennol – Concerns were raised regarding road subsidence. This information has been passed onto Cllr Preston for his consideration.

Email received from Saundersfoot Community Council – Requesting financial assistance towards Saundersfoot library costs. Following discussion, the Council considered that the St Mary Out Liberty Community Council precept cannot support such a request at this time.

11. Reports from Councillors and Committee Representatives

County Councillor Jon Preston –

Road Re-Surfacing

Councillors will remember I reported that PCC is planning to carry out work on road re-surfacing and subsidence at Nyth Gwennol. I'm pleased to report that this work will also extend to Cwm Gwenol. Early indications are that these improvements will commence in the first half of the New Year.

Fly Tipping

Unfortunately, I have cause to report a number of instances of fly tipping in the ward. Pembrokeshire County Council is committed to stamping out the illegal disposal of waste. Under the Refuse Disposal (Amenity) Act 1978 the penalty for fly-tipping/non-compliance can be a maximum of £50,000 and/or five years imprisonment. Each household in Pembrokeshire has a legal responsibility to dispose of its rubbish in the appropriate manner. If you have waste removed and it is consequently fly tipped, you could be held responsible and fined. To find a registered waste carrier contact Natural Recourses Wales. PCC will investigate each case and pursue with legal proceedings where cases have enough evidence.

To report instances of fly tipping either contact me or the PCC contact centre on 01437 764551.

I have received notice of some further issues with the new waste collection service. I understand there have been instances of missed collections with the bio waste (purple bags) which I have reported to PCC and discussed with the cabinet member for environmental services. The new service will be further scrutinised by the Services Overview Committee in the New Year which is a committee I sit on and will also be able to raise these issues there.

Faulty Street Lights

I have recently reported several streetlights in the ward to PCC which have been identified as being faulty. For information please note that If the light has a reflective band on the pole it is included in the part extinguishment program. These lights are switched off between 12:00 midnight - 05:30am. If no band is evident then the light must be considered as being faulty.

Cllr Rawson Humphries – on behalf of PACT Tenby Rural

Cllr Rawson Humphries reported that:

- The Christmas Drink/Drive campaign will commence on the 12th December 2019
- There is a new scam circulating when a household are left a card stating that a parcel was unable to be delivered and that the number on the card should be rang. As soon as the number is rang a large amount of money is taken.

Cllr Rawson Humphries - on behalf of the Village

Cllr Rawson Humphries reported that:

- A traffic bollard by St Anne's Church is in need of repair. The Clerk to report such to Pembrokeshire County Council.
- The railings opposite the village shop have been repaired.

12. Agenda Items –

a) Consideration of the Remuneration decisions as requested by the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales

Following consideration the Council made the decisions for the 2020/2021 remuneration. The report is available on request.

b) Consideration of the 2020/2021 Precept/Budget

Following consideration, the Council set their 2020/2021 precept and budget.

Cllr Brace proposed that St Mary Out Liberty Community Council Precept be set at £5,600; Cllr Rawson Humphries seconded this proposal with all Council in full agreement. There is no increase in Precept this year.

c) Report of Fly Tipping in The Village

Fly tipping had been noted at the top of the village. This was reported to the Pembrokeshire County Council and the bags were removed. If this continues the Pembrokeshire County Council may bring legal proceeding against the offending party.

Date for Next Meeting

Tuesday 14th January 2020