

FREYSTROP COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 11th NOVEMBER 2019

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

Members of the Public. None.

1. Apologies. Councillor D. Harries.
2. Declarations of Interests. No declarations were made.
3. Questions from the Public. No members of the public were present and no written questions had been received.
4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting.
The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 14th October were passed as a true record.
Proposed by Cllr Hughes and seconded by Cllr R. Harries.
5. Matters Arising.
Cllr Thomas said that he would raise the question of land registration with Pembrokeshire County Council at a meeting he was attending on Wednesday. He would also raise the matter of Ash dieback.
6. Correspondence.
 1. B.T. Consultation on removal of phone box.
 2. Community Health Councils of Wales. Consultation on Healthcare.
 3. Welsh Assembly. Sustainable Drainage Enforcement Order.
 4. One Voice Wales. Managing Green Spaces for Biodiversity. Report by Cllr Ken Lloyd, Carmarthen Town Council.
 5. Paul Davies.AM. Newsletter.
 6. Clerks & Councils Direct. Newsletter
 7. One Voice Wales. VE75, May 2020.
7. Highways & Rights of Way. No matters to report.
8. Planning Matters.

19/0672/PA. Tiddly. Application for change of use from Public House to residential. Cllr Thomas said that the community councils original concern regarding access had now been addressed.

19/0695/PA. Construction of equestrian barn and sand school at Upper Sandy Wells. Cllr Thomas will respond on behalf of the community council.

Pre application consultation for Gareth Hughes Motors to relocate MOT and service centre to Clayston Garage. No formal application had been submitted as yet.

The councillors had no objection to the proposal.

Removal of Phone box. Cllr Thomas said it might be possible to buy the box and use it to place a defibrillator.

9. Village Hall.

Cllr Thomas reported that the hall had been booked for the General Election on 12th December 2019.

Hall users are now required to remove all waste material when vacating the hall.

The new heating system seemed to be working well, good reports from users.

Heater Grills. Cllr Thomas said that new heater grills would cost £110 each, £880 in total. It was agreed by the councillors that the grills be purchased.

Lighting circuits had been tested and a certificate issued, cost including renewing four MCB's was £176.

Hall Accounts. Current Account. £1787.63

Deposit Account. £1600.37

Cllr Utting on behalf of the councillors thanked Cllr Thomas for the hard work he had undertaken regarding the new heating system

10. Cemetery. Cllr Thomas said there was no update on the signs.

11. Playing Field. Nothing to report.

12. PCC Liaison Meetings & One Voice Wales. Cllr Thomas reported that a liaison meeting was being held on Wednesday. The main topic would be reviewing the Charter and distribution.

13. Financial Matters.

Adoption of Financial Regulations. The financial regulations which had been circulated to councillors was adopted. Proposed by Cllr Thomas and seconded by Cllr Utting.

Cllr Thomas proposed that the sum of £2500 be transferred from the community council account to the hall account. This would cover the cost of the new heaters, grills and electric certificates. This was seconded by Cllr Utting.

Cllr Thomas said that the precept amount for 2020/2021 would be discussed at the January meeting.

Bank Balance. £19,509.78

Cllr R. John asked if the council could use the money received from Welsh Water could be used for the provision of new play equipment.

14. County Councillors Report.

Cllr M. John reported on the new recycling system and the pressure it was placing on the call centre. There was often a 20 minute wait for a reply. In view of this the call centre would be open from 8am to 6pm, Monday to Thursday.

Local Development Plan. There had been a seminar for councillors two weeks ago. The report was going to the cabinet and full council in December and more information would be available in January.

Bus Passes had to be renewed before the end of December. In view of the difficulties of having to do it online, the County Council are holding sessions at libraries during November to assist in the applications.

The Council Cabinet has agreed to go to a "cashless system" at Council car parks.

15. Members Requests,

Cllr Thomas said that any articles or information for the village newsletter should be sent to Mrs Z. Thomas before the 25th November 2019.

Cllr R. Harries said that he had a request from the Girl Guides who wanted to camp overnight in the hall. This Council agreed in principle to the request.

16. Date of the next meeting.

The next meeting will be held on Monday 13th January 2020.