**AMBLESTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

A meeting of Ambleston Community Council was held remotely via Skype on Monday 28th September 2020. Meeting commenced at 7.30 pm.

Present were: - Messrs. Julian Harries (Chair), Kevin Morris, Dai Ambrey, David Howlett, Mrs. Gail Davies and Mrs. Eirian Forrest (Clerk)

1. **Apologies:** - Gareth Owen
2. **Minutes of the last Meeting (24.08.20)**

Copies of the minutes of the last meeting had been distributed to members. It was proposed

by Gail, seconded by Kevin and agreed they were a true record and that they were to be

signed.

1. **Matters arising from the Minutes**
2. Dwr Cymru Welsh Water – no response received.
3. Casual Vacancy – no interest received.
4. Streetlight in Wallis – Two lights reported in the vicinity of Pencastell. One of which is being decommissioned, and the other a work ticket has been raised. The location of the one being decommissioned is where the children get on and off the school bus and Dai is concerned for the children’s safety if there’s no light during the winter months. David Howlett asked for the number of the light to be emailed to him and will find out if it can be saved, however, did say that it’s PCC policy if the light cannot be repaired it will be decommissioned.
5. Streetlight by bus stop in Woodstock – Kevin was unsure if this had been fixed.
6. Road surface 20 – 30 yards after Woodstock Cross to Walton East – has not been done.
7. **Highway matters**

SLOW sign on road in Wallis still hasn’t been painted – David Howlett agreed to chase up.

1. **Planning**
2. 20/0432/PA – Erection of a livestock building, below ground slurry tank and associated works (partly in retrospect) – Middle Woodstock, Woodstock – it was proposed by Gail, seconded by Dai to support this application.
3. 20/0298/PA – Agricultural building – Henne Lodge, Tufton – Approved.
4. **Ambleston Broadband update**

David Howlett is receiving regular updates from the Broadband team. Broadway Partners have indicated that the fibre installation will be done by Christmas. The proposal to park the trailer van in various locations has been scrapped as the highway authority has objected. Gareth had raised a query prior to the meeting regarding the survey work. Gareth and his neighbour have not seen anyone from Broadband Partners. David Howlett said he would check and update Gareth.

1. **Annual Audit**

The audit paperwork has been sent to the external Auditors, Grant Thornton.

1. **Wallis Pond**
2. Bench – The Clerk has not been able to find a local supplier. Gail saw one in Swansea and made a note of the supplier and will forward the details to the Clerk. The Clerk said she will contact Neil McCarthy at PCC for any suppliers that PCC use for their play parks etc.
3. Stone Plinth - the plinth has been damaged. A Jewson lorry was seen in the car park the day it was damaged, Dai and John Jenkins also saw the lorry in the car park. Gail had written to Jewson and has received a response from their Insurance Company saying their lorry was not in the area on the said date. Gail had a delivery from Jewson that day and will responsed. Gail has had a quote of £500 to take the plinth down and rebuild. It was agreed to wait to see what response is received from Gail’s letter.
4. **Border issue with Kyrenia, Ambleston**

The Clerk received a response from PCC Highways that the stones were not placed on

highway land. Gail advised that the stones had since been removed.

1. **Correspondence**
2. Email from Pembrokeshire Federation of Young Farmers Clubs – thank you for the donation.
3. Email from Cruise West Wales – Thank you for the donation.
4. Email from Lucy, Welsh Hearts Charity –offering a £200 Community Council grant towards the purchase of a defibrillator. Kevin suggested forwarding the email to Margaret Griffiths, Ambleston Memorial Hall Committee as they may be interested in purchasing one for the hall.
5. **Other matters**
6. Dai asked if anyone had checked the battery on the defibrillator in the telephone kiosk in Ambleston. Gail agreed to check it.
7. Dai reported that the Wallis pond is not flowing and is clogging up with grass. He is concerned that as it’s grassed over it is potentially a health and safety issue. The Clerk agreed to report to Mair at NRW.

NB: Due to the meeting being held remotely the signing of minutes and cheques etc. will be done at a later date.

There being no further matters the Chair declared the meeting closed at 8. 07pm. Next meeting via SKYPE arranged for 26th October at 7.30pm.