

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF EAST WILLIAMSTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD REMOTELY
ON THURSDAY 4TH FEBRUARY 2021 AT 7.00PM**

PRESENT: Cllr J Williams (Chair)
Cllr C Hopkinson
Cllr D McIntosh
Cllr M Taylor
Cllr I Wilkinson

APOLOGIES Cllr R Day

The clerk was present (Jane Clark)

15/21 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None received.

16/21 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 7th January 2021 were proposed and seconded. They were agreed as a true record.

17/21 MATTERS ARISING

The following matters were raised:

- a) Minute 06/21 b) No further comments to make.
- b) Minute 03/21 c) A price of £1,140 had been received for the cutting back of trees with Ash die-back which will be carried out soon. Agreed to discuss at March meeting.
- c) Minute 13/21 a) Cllr Williams advised that it was unlikely that PCC would have suitable pipes for the drainage ditches.

18/21 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following planning application was considered:

- a) **20/0547/PA: Change of use of garage to dwelling along with alterations and extension at 7 Broadmoor Cottages, Broadmoor, SA68 0RJ.**

It was agreed to express concerns about the access to this property which is a single-track road and is unsuitable for more dwellings than there currently are.

19/21 FINANCIAL MATTERS AND BANK BALANCES TO 31ST JANUARY 2021

The following financial information had been circulated:

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- a) Bank Account Reconciliations Summary showing a balance of £28,901.11 in the Current Acct, £3,101.02 in the Deposit Acct, £33,153.96 in the Park account and £679.10 in the Jubilee Park Acct.
- b) The Financial Statement – Cashbook showing income of £28,254.99 gross) and expenditure of £22,876.76 (gross).
- c) The Financial Budget Comparison showing the Budget set, the actual income and expenditure figures and the balance remaining under each heading.

RESOLVED: **That the financial information provided be agreed and accepted.**

20/21 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The following accounts were approved for payment:

a) Mrs J Clark – January salary	£253.20
b) PAYE for January	£63.40
c) One Call Electrical Services – installation of 2 speed signs	£100.00
d) Cllr I Wilkinson – fuel for tractor	£35.76
e) Mrs J Clark – reimb for postages	£27.47

21/21 REPAIRS TO BUS SHELTERS

It was agreed that this matter be discussed at the March meeting.

22/21 TO DISCUSS TENDERS FOR MAINTENACE AND HANDYMAN CONTRACT

One tender had been received for both contracts from JRC Grounds Maintenance with a price of £8,810.00 to fulfil all cuts and weed applications and a rate of £20.00 per hour for the handyman contract. An offer to hold this price for a contract for two years was accepted.

JRC Grounds Maintenance had also offered to purchase Council's trailer which was no longer required, at a cost of £1,100.00, however Members agreed to accept no less than £1,250 for it.

RESOLVED: **That the Maintenance Contract be awarded to JRC Grounds Maintenance for two years for a fixed cost of £8,810 to fulfil all contracted work.**

That the Handyman Contract be awarded to JRC Grounds Maintenance at a rate of £20.00 per hour fixed for two years.

That no less than £1,250.00 be accepted for the trailer.

23/21 **QUOTES FOR PLAY PARK INSPECTIONS**

Four quotes had been received for the mandatory inspection of Council's play areas as follows:

- a) PCC with a cost of **£615.00** for inspections and public liability insurance.
- b) Dragon Play at a cost of **£657.33** for three quarterly and one annual inspection only.
- c) KOMPAN at a cost of **£450.00** for three quarterly and one annual inspection.
- d) Sunshine Playgrounds at a cost of **£450.00** for 11 operational and 1 annual inspection over 12 months with routine lubrication plus greasing and tightening of minor issues.

It was agreed to accept the quote from Sunshine Playgrounds at £450.00 and to request a discount for a two-year contract.

RESOLVED: **That the quote from Sunshine Playgrounds be accepted.**

24/21 **UPDATE ON PLAYPARKS**

Quotes had been received for the repair/replacement of the multi-play unit at Pentlepoir and for new play equipment at Jubilee Park play area. The Clerk advised that a reduced quote was due from Sunshine Playgrounds for the repairs to the multi-play unit and Members agreed that the current quote was acceptable and to proceed with this work. It was agreed to hold a special meeting on 11th February at 7.00pm to discuss the quotes for the new equipment at Jubilee Park.

RESOLVED **That the reduced quote from Sunshine Playgrounds for repairs to the multi-play unit at Pentlepoir be accepted and that the work be commissioned immediately.**

That a special meeting be held on 11th February at 7.00pm to discuss quotes for new play equipment at Jubilee Park play area.

25/21 **LOCATION OF SPEED SIGN AT BROADMOOR**

It was agreed to postpone discussion on this matter until Cllr R Day was able to be present as his input was desired.

26/21 **CORRESPONDENCE**

The following correspondence had been received:

- a) Various emails from PCC relating to Covid-19 – noted.

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- b) Paul Sartori – request for financial assistance during Covid 19 pandemic - £25.00 be donated.
- c) Welsh Govt – Preparation and Publication of Accounts for 2020-21 – noted.
- d) Urdd Eisteddfod 2021 – request for financial assistance – no action.
- e) Welsh Govt – Connecting with your local community – noted.
- f) PCC – Budget Consultation 2021-22 – noted.
- g) PLANED – Community Well-being &U Resilience Project – Youth representative – no action.
- h) OVW – Your Town, Your Future Survey – noted.
- i) PCC – Land ownership re trees on Ford Lane.
- k) PCC – Additional Community Governor – Sageston County Primary School – no nominations.

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REPORT OF CTY CLLR JACOB WILLIAMS

Cty Cllr Williams submitted the following report:

Good feedback had been received regarding the speed awareness signage erected on the entrance to Pentlepoir at Hill Lane and at the top of Wooden hill. The stop lines on the Templebar Road entrance to the mini roundabout had been removed and reinstated closer to the roundabout following concerns over visibility.

RESOLVED: That Cty Cllr Williams be thanked for his report.

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ITEMS SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLORS

The following matters were raised:

- a) Cllr Taylor spoke about the damage caused to road verges on residents' property in the village and on the Common, by a long trailer from Prouts Park Farm. It was agreed that a letter be sent to the residents of the farm pointing out the damage caused and asking them to rectify it.
- b) Cllr Wilkinson advised that Mr R Fanus had requested that the minutes be added to the website at the earliest opportunity.
- c) It was suggested that PCC should be asked to provide the pipes to take the excess surface water from the village and it was agreed to arrange a site visit.
- d) Cllr McIntosh advised that the new brush cutter was an exceptional piece of equipment that had enabled work to be carried out at the park in half the time than before.
- e) Cllr Hopkinson advised that PCC had resurfaced the road through Pentlepoir recently but had not done the piece of road between the Dragon Palace restaurant and the shop in Pentlepoir. Cllr Williams advised that this would be carried out during the normal summer road dressing programme.
- f) Cllr Hopkinson advised the clerk that a streetlight was out in Station Road which should be reported.

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DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 11th February and then on 4th March 2021.

The meeting closed at 9.15pm.

Signed.....Chair.....Date

Signed.....Clerk