Uzmaston Boulston and Slebech Community Council

Thursday 12th November 2020

1. Chairs Welcome

The Chair welcomed all.

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from S Evans and L Screen.

1. Declarations of Interest

S Green declared an interest in the Village Green.

1. Minutes

The minutes from the last meeting (August 2020) were discussed, and suggestions made.

1. Matters Arising

Milin Chapel – The councillors discussed the minutes, and felt the minutes needed to be changed to reflect procedures.

Uzmaston Village Green – The Clerk gave an update on progress with the Solicitors. S Green asked for her right of way to be included with the documentation. The Clerk was asked to provide a copy of this to the Solicitors.

Maintenance and Ash Die Back at The Frolic – The councillors discussed email received from PCC asking UBSCC to contribute to the felling of the trees. The Members agreed a response stating the CC has no income generation means so will not contribute, and that they did not feel planting extra fruit trees was a good option in light of maintenance issues. They also raised wood from diseased trees has to be removed, so should not be left as nature piles. The Clerk was asked to respond to the email.

The Clerk raised a project from Western Power Distribution. The company are awarding grants to support vulnerable people in the community. The Clerk was asked to apply.

The Councillors discussed a request for a contribution from the Church for grounds maintenance. The Clerk explained Community Councils are strongly discouraged from this as One Voice Wales state this is not allowed through legislation in Local Government Act (1972). The Clerk was asked to respond to the email.

The issues of parking on New Road was discussed. Cllr Clements has approached PCC, but without Cllr Bryans support nothing can be done. There have been more complaints from residents. The councillors asked the Clerk to write to Cllr Bryan to explain their concerns. Cllr Clements explained new legislation was going through to stop people parking on pavements.

1. Planning

NP/20/0199/FUL and **20/0671/DC**were both discussed and supported.

1. Reports for Decisions

The councillors discussed and agreed the new Standing Orders, Financial Regulations and Code of Conduct. They also discussed and agreed the proposed budget and precept request. The Councillors suggested changing the hall hire column in the proposed budget to Zoom account.

1. Reports to Note

Circulated via email.

1. Accounts

The Clerk updated the progress with the external audit, and confirmed the account balance was £12321.59. The Clerk explained she was struggling with setting up PAYE. Cllr Clements agreed to ask the Llawhaden Clerk to support.

1. Payments

The members agreed to issues cheques for the Clerks salary (Jul, Aug and Sept) for £450.

1. Date of Next Meeting

To be discussed via email dependent on COVID restrictions.

Finished at 9pm.