

HERBRANDSTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes from the Zoom meeting Wednesday 27th January 2021 @ 7pm

Present ; Councillors, M.Galdo, R.Owens, T.Roberts, D.Philpin, N.Coles

Clerk , D.Davies

Apologies, Councillor S.Davey

01/21 Declaration of Interest. None declared.

02/21 Questions from the Public None.

03/21 Minutes from last Meeting . Chairman asked if all councillors had read the minutes from November meeting and also Precept meeting in December. All confirmed they had, Cllr N.Coles proposed they be passed as true record, seconded by Cllr R.Owens.

04/21 Matters Arising :

1. Triplestone Close. No update in relation to amended plans for the estate. This matter will be kept ongoing.
2. Speed Checks . Clerk had sent email to PCC , asking for update following the site visit September 2019, when it was agreed that speed checks would take place. No reply received from PCC. Clerk had done some costings for solar speed signs which amounted to £5081. Councillors agreed to look for a grant to fund this project.
3. Junction to Havens Park ; Clerk shared email from Robert Evans PCC , which stated that there was a back log of work due to COVID. The removal of parking bay is scheduled on minor works but he could give date for this to be completed. PCC sign unit also has a back log all he could say was that this would be completed when resources allow.
4. Sea Creek Road : No update. The matter still needs to be discussed with PCC as to how we can protect the right of way to creek for the public
5. Defibrillators; Clerk had received advice from Welsh Ambulance on the purchase of 3 defibrillators and cabinets. Zoll machines would be purchased, same as our existing one. Cheques had been sent to the companies, expectation for items to be received middle of February.
6. Beach Footpath. Cllr M.Galdo had spoken with Mr. Hwyl Davies, land owner of fields adjoining the coastal path, who was in agreement to a discussion with National Parks. Clerk had emailed Theresa Nolan at the Parks asking if she could make contact with him to discuss the path causing concern , from turn style to beach steps. Councillors also asked them to review improving the surface of this area of the path as it bog's and makes impossible for the public to use to access the beach.
7. Beach Road. Clerk shared email from Robert Evans, PCC, who confirmed that the issue of public parking in the turning bay had been passed to Traffic Management .It will be considered in next review scheduled for early summer.
8. Full Fibre project; Cllrs M. Galdo, R.Owens and T. Roberts along with clerk D. Davies had joined a zoom meeting with PCC project team last Friday. Survey completions

for the catchment area stood at 18%, needs to increase to minimum of 30%, . Cllr Owens explained that we had delivered our personal letter to every house in the village, also added 3 reminders to the village Facebook page. .Cllr Owens asked the project team how they could influence residents outside of the village. Project team will keep us updated.

05/21 Correspondance; OVW newsletters/ PCC COVID updates/ Welsh Gvmt Audit diary for 2021 / Paul Davies newsletter, SLA agreement for playpark.

06/21 Financial Matters Balance of currant account £ 9861.89 cr

Chq issued £150 Grass Cutting

Balance savings account £ 1616.16 cr

4p interest added.

Chairman Cllr M.Galdo asked the council to consider an increase to the clerks salary. He stated that the salary had not been reviewed for a number of years . He suggested an increase of £200 per year. This was unanimously accepted by the councillors . Cllr D.Philpin proposed the new amount of £1000 take effect immediately , seconded by Cllr .T.Roberts.

Cheque issued by Cllrs M.Galdo and R,Owens to clerk D,Davies for £1000 and a further cheque of £56.57 for her expenses, all receipts evidenced.

1. Clerk informed committee that following the successful audit, documented at the Precept meeting she had placed the Notice of conclusion on the village notice board for the required 14 days.

Clerk read email from Welsh Audit team requesting payment of £250.75, this was an increase of £60 from last year. Clerk had queried the increase with the team however was told we had possibly not been charged correctly in past by Grant Thornton and that this new amount was in line with other councils of similar size to us. Proposed by Cllr R.Owens that chq be issued for payment seconded by Cllr M.Galdo

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07/21 County Councillors report. Cllr Owens had attended meeting where a discussion on increase to council tax took place, no outcome yet agreed. He also informed committee that he will start as a Governor to Portfield school.

08/21 Planning matters Application for an out building at 10 Triplestone estate, no objection raised from committee.

09/21 Matters not requiring Resolution. As a result of the Christmas light competition , clerk had posted a cheque for £100 to Little and Broad Haven RNLI, the chosen charity by the winners MR & Mrs Hooker.

Date of next meeting Tuesday 23rd February 2021.