

WISTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes for the Community Council meeting held on Monday 15th March 2021 via Zoom at 20:00hrs.

Present

Thomas Bevan

David Evans

Yvette Bevan

Peter Lewis

Marilyn Bevan

David Howlett (County Councillor)

Samantha Philipps-Harries (Clerk)

1. Chairman's Remarks

Thomas welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Alan Vaughan and Robert Voyle.

3. Confirmation of Minutes of the Last Meeting – 15th February 2021.

Minutes of the meeting held on the 15th February 2021 were confirmed as a true record. Proposed by David Evans and seconded by Yvette.

4. Matters Arising There From

- a. Broadband Project Update: New Moat project area - all residents that had expressed an interest in the project should now have received an email to unlock the grant funding. Wiston and Slebech area are in the process of setting up a working group, this was progressing well.
- b. Clarboston Road Playground Annual Inspection: The annual inspection report had been received and highlighted some areas of concern such as the swing chains did not meet regulations and would need to be changed, also the ground surrounding the new spring toy would need some work.
A request has been sent to Pembrokeshire County Council (PCC) to reclaim the monies paid to Phoenix Groundworks for the work completed in December 2020 totalling £1620.00.
- c. Telephone Kiosk, Wiston: As the kiosk is a listed building the colour can not be changed. David Evans agreed to pressure wash the kiosk to enable the work to get started and would look into repairing the door. Once this work had been actioned and the glass replaced a defibrillator and cabinet would be purchased with the help of grants from either Welsh Hearts or the British Heart Foundation.

5. Finance

- a. Estimated Barclays Bank Account Balance as at 15th March 2021:
Current Account - £1350.37. Savings - £3113.93.
- b. Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales: Review of the Remuneration Framework for Community and Town Council – any changed could be incorporated into the Annual Report for 2022/2023 – noted.
- c. Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Annual Report – February 2021 – tabled.
- d. Pembrokeshire County Council (PCC) – Acknowledgement of Precept request 2021/2022 – noted.

6. Correspondence

- a. Consultation – New Draft Guidance Code of Conduct – noted.
- b. Welsh Assembly Government (WAG) – Litter and fly tipping plan for Wales – tabled.
- c. One Voice Wales (OVW) – Summary of key provisions of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 for the Community and Town Sector – tabled.
- d. Pembrokeshire County Council Licensing Act 2003: Consultation on Review of Licensing Policy – tabled.

Signed: Peter Lewis

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7. Planning

No planning applications were received.

8. Highways

- a. David Howlett encouraged everyone to set up their own My Account with PCC. This would enable them to pinpoint problems such as potholes, street lighting etc. and highlight the issues directly to the relevant department at PCC.
- b. Road in bad state of repair at the railway bridge T junction – Thomas had reported the issue on My Account; however, the repair was yet to be actioned.
- c. David Evans informed the meeting that the Wiston sign reported at the last meeting had been replaced like for like.
- d. Potholes in Wiston by Cawdor House had been repaired but needed further attention.
- e. The Wiston Community have organised litter picking equipment from PCC, and residents were regularly picking up litter on their daily exercise routes. The red bags that were filled with litter collected along the road in the area and are then collected by PCC. Well done the Wiston Community.

9. Any Other Business

- a. Geraint Lloyd response – amendment to the minutes of 18th January 2021 item 8a, regarding the culvert in Clarbeston Road. Mr Geraint Lloyd requested that his response be noted as follows: *“Thanks for the feedback. It would be good for the Community Council to be aware of the issue but given the responses and advice from PCC I guess the situation will not now change. I am not convinced by the arguments made by PCC and believe there is a significant and unnecessary hazard here. I am grateful that the issue has been raised and reviewed.”*

10. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held via Zoom (in line with Covid-19 restrictions) on Monday 19th April 2021 at 20:00hrs.

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 20:35 hrs.

Signed: Peter Lewis
Chairman to Wiston Community Council

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