**ST ISHMAELS COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the meeting held in the Sports and Social Club Tuesday, 8th June 2021**

1. **Present**

Cllrs. Moira Hawkins (chair), Barbara Harston, Lynda Thomas, John Everett, Ken Hackett, Colin Jenkins, PCC Cllr Reg Owens. Revd. Michael Cottam, (clerk)

Phil Stoddart (for the start of the meeting)

Mr. Stoddart arrived at the sports club before the start of the business meeting, in order to address councillors and to air his grievances arising out of the subject of gates across the public highway at Monkhill Farm in 2019. Mr. Stoddart also complained about other council members at the meeting and, after three quarters of an hour’s exchange of views, his comments were noted and Mr. Stoddart left the Meeting. Discussion amongst councillors following Mr. Stoddart’s departure centred around Cllr Reg Owen’s suggestion for a site meeting to discuss contentions about the public road to the Soldier’s Rock gate to include Mr. Rob Evans of PCC. Cllr John Everett was asked if he would represent the community council at such a meeting.

Before business moved forward, the council expressed its support and confidence in the clerks minutes and reports.

**2. Minutes of previous council meeting.**

Minutes of the ‘Zoom’ council meeting which had been held on March 29th were previously circulated to council.

***3.Matters Arising***

*Defibrillators.* Cllr. Ken Hackett enquired whether defibrillators were being serviced. (Clerk)

*Grass verges by Winsle Leys junction with Dale road.* These were considered to constitute a danger because of growth blocking view of traffic. (Clerk)

*Street lighting.*It was noted that several street lights were currently inoperable. Cllr. Colin Jenkins reported that he would send an updated list of outstanding items concerning highways and flooding to the clerk, copied to PCC Cllr. Reg Owens.

***4.Planning Applications.***Regret was expressed that notifications of applications to PCNP were no longer sent automatically to the clerk, only when decisions had been made. A close perusal of current applications were urged. (Clerk)

***5.Marsh Road.***Following publicity from concerning the Gann estuary and Pickleridge and information received from Yvonne Evans, clerk to Marloes C C, Cllr Colin Jenkins noted that the Marsh Road bordering the Gann inlet had been designated a footpath when, in reality, it was a byway open to all traffic.

***6.Road Signs at Castle Cottages.*** Councillors expressed concern at the danger to horses from some road users following incidents experienced. Could the 30 MPH sign be moved further back towards the junction to extend the speed limited area? It was commented that moving road signs was usually a lengthy and costly process. C. Cllr Reg Owens suggested that Claire Williams at PCC be contacted (Clerk)

***7.Sandy Haven Farm footpath.*** Cllr Barbara Harston noted the the public footpath stile by the farm had been wired up and a hand-written notice forbidding dogs erected. There is no prior warning of this on the path. (Clerk to contact path officer)

***8.Hedge bordering the to Lindsway cliff path in sports field.*** This is overgrown, making passage difficult along the metalled footpath. Council to be informed. (Clerk)

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***9.Grove Road and Brook Lake flooding.***  Councillors wondered whether the excavation of the drainage ditch on the Furzy side of Grove Rd would help to prevent flooding of the road surface. Cllr. Moira Hawkins asked that the Brook Lake be cleared of choking weed. (Clerk to contact Emrys Llewellyn of PCC.)

***10.Finance Matters***

The clerk presented a statement of the accounts for year ending March 31st, 2021 for council’s approval. These were proposed by Cllr John Everett and seconded by Cllr. Lynda Thomas.

***11.Disposal of Funds from sale of Memorial Hall.***

Suggestions to the clerk from some members of the community were presented to council. It was decided that, before any further deliberation on possible use of monies left over from the new memorial, designs and costs of such a memorial be sought and laid before council. The clerk reported that this was already in process and that he would report progress as soon as information is received.

It was unanimously agreed in council that any new memorial be sited on Burgage Green, that area being common land.

***12.AOB*** .

* The. Clerk was asked to contact the new owner of the Memorial Hall to report the deterioration of the wall by the road (Clerk)
* Parking at times of the day at the junction of Castle Road and Trewarren Rd has occasioned some complaints.
* Claire Shiel of Allendale Drive, the steward of the sport’s club, has asked the clerk about the procedure in becoming a councillor and expressed an interest in standing for election when a vacancy should occur.

***13.Next meeting. (A.G.M.)***

Wednesday, August 18th at 7.00 p.m. in the lounge of the sports club.