

Cyngor Cymuned Llandudoch/ St. Dogmaels Community Council

Minutes of the Ordinary meeting of the Council which took place at 7pm on 23rd June 2016 at Y Neuadd Goffa, Maeshyfryd, St. Dogmaels

Present: Vice-Chairman Cllr Jonathan Martin. Cllrs Fraser Coates, Jo Hutchings, Lucy Lewis, Bob Taylor, Melrose Thomas, Gill Wislocka

CC M James

Clerk

Members of the public: None

In the absence of the Chairman the Vice-Chairman took the meeting.

1. Apologies for Absence / Ymddiheuriadau am absenoldeb

Apologies had been received from Cllrs E Rees, R Caygill, B Rees, V Woods, and S Brown

2. Declarations of Interest

None.

3. Confirmation of Order of the Agenda and identification of any items which might be resolved for confidential session

The agenda was accepted as presented.

4. Confirmation of Minutes of 26.05.16

The minutes were proposed as a true record by Cllr G Wislocka, seconded Cllr M Thomas, carried unanimously.

5. Finance & Administration / Cyllid a Gweinyddu

payee	For	Bank
23.6.16 Mrs J Hutchings	Compost etc	10.00
Mr E Brown	Grass cutting	367.20
SLCC Enterprises Ltd	Joint SLCC/OVW conf	82.80
S Houghton	Salary June	589.60
HM Revenue and Customs	Tax	10.40
S Houghton	Home Office June	25.00
S Houghton	Post / Expenses	45.12
		1130.12

Half cost of conference (less VAT which SD will reclaim) to be reclaimed from Llangoedmor Community Council

Accounts:

Adjusted closing balance as at 31.04.16

Treasurers £15368.64 (includes first £10190 of precept)

Savings £14818.90

Proposed Cllr G Wislocka, seconded Cllr M Thomas, carried unanimously.

Year end

The Clerk advised that there was no feedback on the year end submission yet.

Clerks Leave

The Clerk asked permission to circulate dates as she had not been able to confirm dates prior to the meeting.

6. Planning / Ceisiadau Cynllunio

No applications had been received.

CC M James suggested that the meeting with Pems CC Head of Planning might take place on 11th July. He would let the Clerk have the times and she would circulate to all.

ACTION: CC M James to advise times and Clerk to circulate.

All planning documents can be found at:

<http://planning.pembrokeshire.gov.uk/swiftlg/apas/run/WCHVARYLOGIN.display?langid=1>

7. County Cllr's Report

The report had been circulated prior to the meeting. CC M James advised that moving the hut previously used by the car park attendant at Poppit so that it could accommodate the beach wheelchair closer to the café or RNLI shop would not be possible. He explained that it might be possible, with permission, to place some kind of shed or hut close to the RNLI shop but in the meantime the wheelchair would be kept in the old hut and the key could be collected from the Café or RNLI shop. He noted that there was still some possibility that an 'ambassador' might be employed to work in the car park to assist tourists and keep the area clean and tidy.

He noted that season tickets were available for Poppit car park.

Cllr G Wislocka asked how maintenance of the beach wheelchair was being undertaken, as a general safety check after use was essential for cleanliness and things like tyre pressures. CC M James said he would make enquires. She also asked CC M James to pass on thanks to PCNP for the free parking passes for volunteers when working in the Poppit area. Cllr G Wislocka also asked that the ditch beside the overflow car park be cleared as it was deeply silted up and unsafe.

It was queried if camping was allowed at Poppit beach and dunes and if not allowed could signs could be put up.

CC M James confirmed that both Pembs CC and Danfos who managed the toilet block had no objection to the defibrillator being connected to the electricity supply and there would be no charge for power used.

ACTION: Details of local electrician to be passed to Clerk.

The Vice-Chairman queried if gates were to be put on the entrances to the football field as at a recent school sports day there had been concern about safety and the ever present dangers associated with dog fouling. CC M James advised that gates had been promised but work was required the level the main entrance. The Clerk confirmed that she had forwarded, to the Football Club, some time ago, details of services in or near the gateway and would try to find them for CC M James.

ACTION: Clerk to find and forward information to CC M James.

It was advised that the wooden fence at the school end of the football field had been smashed. The Clerk had found pieces of it in the playground.

8. Working Party Reports

It was advised that queries re the Landslip report had been send to Pembs CC. The Clerk thanked CC M James for getting the report to the correct Officer.

9. Village Amenities / Mwynderau

High Street car park – observations

It was noted that the car park was still little used and that parking issues were occurring in other areas of the village.

Playground

It was noted that Playmaintain should return by end of month and that the Clerk was chasing RTC for return of the wrongly removed HERAS panels.

Stone Pick

Cllr L Lewis advised that only she and her husband had turned out for the stone pick in the play area. It was queried if the Probation Service might be able to offer some community work hours to help.

ACTION: Contact Probation Service BY: Clerk

Kick wall – the wall had been braced and was now much more stable.

Shelter

Cllr B Taylor advised that, weather permitting, work should start on the shelter shortly.

Trees

Mr R Staden, Pembs CC has recommended the firm used by PCC, to assess the health of the trees. There was no TPO on the trees, they were originally kept as this was the overall opinion of the village. It was agreed that the Clerk should get a cost for the survey and circulate it to all. If a majority were in favour it would go ahead.

ACTION: Cost survey BY: Clerk

Notice Boards – ongoing

Plantings – report

Cllrs M Thomas and J Hutchings advised they had met with Mr Cane. The area by the noticeboard in the car park had only very shallow limited soil and it was suggested that it be cleared completely and covered with chippings. Glanteifion Green was extremely untidy and it was agreed to contact Pembs CC to see what work could be done prior to further discussing any planting.

Merched y Wawr had kindly offered to take over the planter trough in the car park to commemorate its anniversary. This offer was accepted by the Council.

Alexandra Gardens

It was agreed that Mr E Brown be asked to clear the steps in Alexandra Gardens and to cut back the brambles along the fence line.

ACTION: Contact Mr Brown BY: Clerk

War memorial - landscaping

CC M James advised that the kerbing on the corner of Maes Hyfryd was to be looked at and he would ask County Officers about possible landscaping options during the site visit.

ACTION: Advice re landscaping options BY: CC M James

Defibrillator

Mr P Fennell would be thanked for installing it on the toilet block wall. An electrician would be needed to connect to supply. The Clerk advised that a letter of thanks had gone to Tesco and Cllr L Lewis would organise signs and a training evening.

ACTION: Organise training and posters BY: Cllr L Lewis

10. Highways and Public Rights of Way / Hawliau Tramwy Cyhoeddus

Water Street

Information circulated about the site meeting with the Regional Manager of Dwr Cymru prior to the meeting, was noted. The request for 'temporary' to be added to the closure signage on footpath was refused by Pembs CC as the signs were legal and would not be changed.

Footpaths

Cllr G Wislocka requested that the permissive path and 87/27 on Albro Castle land be cleared as they were becoming impassable. She would also check on the condition of the Graig footpath.

ACTION: CC M James to approach Pembs CC to clear footpaths.

Parking

Letter from RNLI re parking situation at Green Meadow was read and noted. Following discussion it was agreed to invite Police representatives to the next Council meeting. A representative from the RNLI would also be invited to attend. CC M James noted that Pembs CC Cabinet were discussing ways of combating footways being blocked by parked vehicles.

ACTION: Invite Police and RNLI BY: Clerk

Traffic group

Information held by the Clerk had been circulated. It was agreed to hold a meeting of the Traffic Group on 8th September to discuss a way forward.

ACTION: Book room BY: Clerk

Cei Bach

Mr Cloud had advised that his information for the Inspector would be ready for submission by end of June. He had sent through the requested information but it appeared he was using wrong e-mail address originally. The Clerk had now passed the information on to Cllr G Wislocka.

Posts Glanteifi

CC M James confirmed that apart from the king posts all other posts had been removed to the PCC Fishguard Depot and he understood that the rotten tree would be dealt with by the landowner.

11. Police

Nothing brought forward.

12. Village Regeneration

The Clerk advised that this heading had been added to the Agenda immediately following the landslide and had remained on it ever since. As matters had moved on over the years it was agreed that the heading be removed.

13. Events / Digwyddiadau

Christmas Lights

The Clerk advised that she had found a possible contractor for the Christmas lights and would obtain a quote.

It was agreed that the lights be switched on on Sunday December 4th with the tree being delivered on Friday 18th November. It was agreed it would be beneficial if the Council were to be represented on the Committee organising the fair on the 4th December.

Fireworks Display

The Clerk would forward information as necessary with usual requests for help/electricity supply etc. The main requirement would be to recruit stewards closer to the date. She would also contact the football club / youth club / WI re stalls and PTA about running fundraising stalls.

ACTION: Contact village organisations BY: Clerk

Remembrance Service

Following discussion it was agreed that the service be held in the hall with those who wished, to process to the War Memorial after the service to lay wreaths. Cllr J Martin confirmed that the bugler had been booked.

Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch

The favoured location would again be the hall with outside caterers. Clerk to confirm with Chairman and take forward.

ACTION: Discuss with Chairman BY: Clerk

Village in Bloom

Chairman to invite judge for end July / early August (weather dependent). Cup and shield would be required for display in the Post Office starting 26th August.

14. Meeting Reports / Adroddiad

The Clerk had attended the joint SLCC/OVW even. It had been confirmed that the Local Govt Reform bill would not be going ahead during the first year of the new Assembly Govt. There would be further consultation as to the most appropriate approach to streamlining Councils across Wales and an announcement could be expected in the Autumn of 2016. In the meantime all Councils, even those without a statutory duty, were asked to actively participate in the Wellbeing of Future Generations initiative and should hear from their public service boards in the not too distant future.

15. Correspondence / Gohebiaeth (to include consultation documents not covered under any other heading)

Nothing brought forward.

16. Cllrs Exchange of Information / Cyfnewid Gwybodaeth

Cllr M Thomas advised that there would be a concert in the Abbey on 17th July and a meeting would be held on 27th June if anyone was interested in assisting with the organisation of the event.

Cllr J Hutchings advised that the Memorial Hall Fun Day was scheduled for Saturday 25th June and all were welcome.

Cllr G Wislocka advised that the appropriate permissions were being sought from Natural Resources Wales to deal with Japanese Knotweed growing near water. She hoped that work would be undertaken in August.

CC M James called attention to information about reporting unauthorised raves and parties.

He also stated that the Pembs CC budget deficit for the 2019/20 financial year looked to be in the region of £52million. Budgets for social services and education were protected.

He also stated that approximately 65% of GPs were approaching retirement age and a recruitment drive was to take place. It was suggested that people use their pharmacists for advice but concern was expressed that this could result in a reduction in GPs and practices.

Cllr F Coates advised that he had been unable to attend the last Cardigan Hospital League of Friends meeting.

17. Date of Next Meeting – 28th July 2016

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 8.54pm