

Cyngor Cymuned Llandudoch

St. Dogmaels Community Council

Minutes of the Extra Ordinary meeting of the Council which took place at 7pm on 13th February 2017 at Y Neuadd Goffa, Maeshyfryd, St. Dogmaels

Present: Cllrs: J Martin, F Coates, Jo Hutchings, B Rees, E Rees, M Thomas, G Wislocka

Clerk

Members of the public: None

Prior to the start of the meeting Cllrs stood to observe a minutes silence for Council Chairman, Cllr Sandra Brown and for local postmaster Mr Jonathan Wiltshire, both of whom had recently passed away.

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

1. Apologies for Absence / Ymddiheuriadau am absenoldeb
Apologies had been received from Cllr L Lewis and Cllr R Caygill

2. Declarations of Interest
None.

3. Confirmation of Order of the Agenda and identification of any items that might be resolved for confidential session
The agenda was accepted as presented.

4. Confirmation of the Minutes
Cllr G Wislocka proposed that the minutes of meeting of 26.01.17 be accepted as a true record. Seconded Cllr F Coates, carried unanimously.

5. Finance and Administration

13.02.17	One Voice Wales	Membership fee	232.00
	Memorial Hall	Room Hire	20.00
	Mark Toft	Christmas tree shredding	120.00
	SWALEC	Christmas unmetered supply	109.07
	Mrs G Wislocka	Postage	3.35
	Derwen Lighting Ltd	Lights	1379.46
			1863.88

The Clerk briefly explained that the first invoice from Derwen Lighting had been for purchase of replacement bulbs, with this invoice being for inspection and attendance at the switch on. It was agreed that the work had gone very smoothly and that the tree, in particular, had looked impressive. It was agreed to include a letter of thanks with the payment to Derwen Lighting. Proposed: Cllr J Hutchings, seconded Cllr M Thomas, carried unanimously.

The Clerk advised that a new Chairman and Vice-Chairman would have to be elected at the meeting of 23rd February.

Anzac Day – April 25th 2017

Cllr J Hutchings had circulated a report for which she was thanked. It was agreed that a service would be held at 11.30am to allow the RBL standard bearers to come from the Cardigan service. Cllr J Hutchings kindly agreed to organise the service. A wreath would be ordered.

ACTION: Organise service BY: Cllr J Hutchings ACTION: Order wreath BY: Clerk

Clerks briefing, Election procedures, Haverfordwest, Tuesday 28th Feb, 6pm

The Clerk advised that she would collection election packs at the briefing. She said that there was a strict timetable for the return of the packs and requested that Cllrs wishing to stand should complete the paperwork as soon as possible.

6. Planning / Ceisiadau Cynllunio

16/1085/PA repositioning of summer house (planning consent 16/0538/PA) terracing of garden (in retrospect)
St Dogmaels Community Council agreed to support the application.

16/1105/PA Alterations and extensions, Trefaes, Ffordd y Cwm
St Dogmaels Community Council agreed to support the application.

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

Dog fouling

CC M James advised that he had been gathering information and would report to the County Council and request extra bins. It was noted that the problem was still rife at Poppit and that the 'no fouling' signs were faded and required replacing.

8. Correspondence/Consultations

County Council's consultation on possible use of monies raised by proposed tax on second homes of an additional 50% on the Council Tax

County suggested that money raised in this manner in a community should be used in that community. It was unclear how the monies would be administered, what criteria would have to be met to access such monies, nor was there any indication of how long such a scheme might run for.

County had provided the band D tax calculation, based on last year's precept, which was approximately £44. There were 93 second homes in the St Dogmaels ward (not all of which would be liable for the extra tax and not all would be band D so extra tax raised would vary). A rough calculation suggested a sum in the region of £2000 per annum.

Following discussion it was agreed that the Community Council would support the proposal in principle but that further detail and information was required.

Carried with Cllr M Thomas abstaining

ACTION: Advise County Council BY: Clerk

The Clerk advised that Dwr Cymru had requested a meeting to update the Council on completed and ongoing works in the area. She would circulate a time and date.

ACTION: Arrange meeting BY: Clerk

CC M James advised that he hope to have the results of the traffic count in the near future. The next count was to take place during the Easter period.

9. Cllrs Exchange of Information / Cyfnewid Gwybodaeth

Cllr M Thomas had been concerned to find that the Hanes Llandocho Trustees wanted to take down the Council noticeboard at the Coach House due to its poor condition. Mr Fennell had been due to refurbish the board. It was noted that if the board were to be moved permission would be required to erect it elsewhere in the conservation area.
ACTION: Contact Mr Fennell BY: Clerk

Cllr M Thomas reminded everyone that a Cawl evening had been arranged to celebrate St David's Day on 4th March.

She also expressed concern that the Memorial Hall had introduced additional charges for the use of the kitchen, for which a door code was now needed. She was advised that increasing costs had been a deciding factor in the introduction of the additional charges.

Cllr J Hutchings said a drop-in session was to be held at the White Hart on 14th March to try to recruit volunteers for the Village Show Committee. The Show AGM was to take place on 21st March at which she expected a decision

was to be made as to if the show could go ahead in 2017.

Cllr G Wislocka commended the generous help of a visitor to the village who had helped clean the Pinog and Graig paths and had donated his very good quality broom at the end of the works.

CC M James enquired if the steps at the end of Maes y Dre were still regularly used. It was confirmed that they were well used but with the final step actually being into the road, safety for road users and users of the steps was an issue.

Cllr E Rees said he had attended the OVW area meeting and would report at the next meeting of the Council.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 7.47pm.

10. Date of Next Meeting – 23rd February 2017