

Cyngor Cymuned Llandudoch

St. Dogmaels Community Council

Minutes of the Highways Committee meeting which took place on 7th December 2017 at 7.00pm at Y Neuadd Goffa, Maeshyfyd, St. Dogmaels

Present: Cllrs J Hutchings, C Kuhlman, J Martin, G Wislocka, CC M James
Clerk

For Pembs CC. transport planning: Ms Claire Williams

Open session for members of the public to raise any matters of Highways relevance to the Community 7.00 - 7.15. Representatives of Cardigan Town Council joined the public session to discuss the route between Cardigan town and Poppit. **Present on behalf of Cardigan Town Council:** Cllrs: Catrin Miles, Graham Evans, Teifi Ward. Apologies: Cllr Eve O'Neil.

Route to Poppit

CC M James (PCC) advised that the PCC Cabinet member was to talk to the Route to Poppit group and that the path by the Webley Hotel was to be adjusted as the work had, apparently, not been done to spec.

It was noted that a report re the Active Travel initiative, from Ceredigion County Council (CCC) and Pembs County Council (PCC) was due from the respective officers. It was hoped these would be available prior to the next meeting on 8th March 2018. A decision with regard to possible Active Travel funding was also expected in March from the Welsh Assembly Govt (WAG).

Cllr C Miles, Cardigan Town Council (CTC) advised that CCC had reported that a footpath in Castle Street would require extensive engineering. Once past Spring Gardens the land was in private ownership although it was noted that the field opposite was in the LDP and the easiest solution would be to have a footway created as part of any future development. Brecon Terrace posed its own problems with the incline creating potential access problems for the properties if a footway were to be created.

The possible registration of a footpath by the Eagle was raised again with land ownership still being question. Cllr G Wislocka said she would be happy to assist CTC should it wish to proceed with this.

Cllr M Miles and G Evans were thanked for their time and they then left the meeting.

Ms C Williams of PCC explained that following her visit, with Mr Ben Blake, to the village earlier in the year possible changes and solutions had been looked into. She advised that the suggestion of a pedestrian walkway being painted on the road sent mixed messages and pedestrians gained a false sense of safety from them. However the signage in Pilot Street was to be rationalised and the length of narrow road would be clearly indicated on the proposed signs. It was agreed that public consultation would be the best way forward prior to a full traffic order consultation. PCC would send out revised information. The CC would then arrange a drop in session for the public to view and comment on the proposals.

Ms Williams advised that further traffic survey work would be required to support a possible digital speed sign on route from Cardigan to village. It was noted that the recent consultation re double yellow lines had been supported by the CC and that the waiting restrictions by the Ferry would not be changed as the current restrictions prevented boat trailers being parked all day.

It was wonder if the Graig footpath might be promoted for use, however its condition was not good.

Ms C Williams also advised there were now enough volunteers to go ahead with the Community Speedwatch scheme.

1. Apologies for Absence / Ymddiheuriadau am absenoldeb

Apologies had been received from Cllrs E Rees and L Lewis.

In the absence of the Chairman, Cllr E Rees, Cllr J Hutchings proposed and Cllr C Kuhlmann seconded that Cllr J Martin

take the Chair for the duration of the meeting.

2. Declarations of Interest

None.

3. Confirmation of the minutes of 14.09.17

Cllr J Hutchings proposed that the minutes be accepted as a true record, seconded Cllr G Wislocka, carried unanimously.

4. Update on Route from Cardigan to Poppit

Active Travel timelines.

Results of ownership searches at Cardigan

Both noted in discussion with CTC.

5. Speed / Congestion / Parking

Speed sign £5k in budget – PCC to do further survey to confirm it is required as discussed with Ms C Williams.

6. Footpaths

Cllr Wislocka asked that the application to dedicate Ffordd newydd be checked as she felt that little was being taken forward. Clerk would check legal timescales.

ACTION: CC M James to follow up with Mr M Cloud, PCC.

7. Flooding

Recent flooding was some of the worst remembered. Sewage was still escaping through the manhole covers in Water St. It was noted that a recent investigation of the culvert had revealed a blockage cause by a road cone. It was understood that PCC would place screens at the opening to the culvert which would be regularly inspected. PCC was still waiting for a licence from Natural Resources Wales in order to be able to proceed with dredging the culvert.

8. Dog Fouling

This was an ongoing issue. It was noted that the fencing at the school end of the football pitch was just post and rail and a rather untidy hedge. There was nothing at all to stop dogs going onto the field. The gate was not self-closing.

ACTION: Take up with PCC BY: CC M James

9. General Maintenance / Projects

Square – The recent Christmas event highlighted a need to address the area. It was suggested that removal of stone walls and replacement with simple metal railings seating and lighting might be an improvement. As the area was owned by PCC its permission would have to be sought and funding found.

Path by War Memorial – during the recent service the bank was very slippery and it was queried if PCC would be able to do any work to alleviate this.

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

None.

9. Cllrs Exchange of Information / Cyfnewid Gwybodaeth

None.

12. Date of Next Meeting – 8.3.18

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 9.20pm

Chairman: Cllr E Rees and Cllrs J Hutchings, C Kuhlman, L Lewis, J Martin, G Wislocka, CC M James

2018/19 Committee budget £9000