**LLANTYSILIO COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF A ZOOM MEETING HELD 7th DECEMBER 2020**

**PRESENT**

Chairman: Cllr. Mrs M. Smith

Councillors: R. Cragg, R. Hughes, P. Davies, County Cllr. Graham Timms and the Clerk.

**APOLOGIES**

Councillors: J. Pickett, A. Jones and D. Walton.

**20/3753 DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

None

**20/3754 COUNTY COUNCILLOR’S REPORT**

Local Schools

Cllr. Timms gave the Council an update on the proposed Government funding for the local schools, which he thought was insufficient for their needs, specifically for Dinas Brȃn which needs a considerable monetary boost to bring it into the twenty first century.

Waste Services

A petition is being circulated by residents of Llangollen asking DCC to discuss with WCBC the option for Llangollen residents to again use the refuse tip at Plasmadoc.

The Clerk was asked to contact Tony Ward, Lead Member DCC asking him to investigate this matter.

Road layout in Castle Street, Llangollen

Cllr. Timms said that he had received complaints from business owners about the widening of the pavement and the ban on roadside parking in Castle Street. On the other side of the coin, he had also received a lot of positive comments from residents who appreciated the extra pavement area, and the parking ban makes it safer to cross the road.

Salt bins.

In response to a question regarding the siting of the yellow salt-bins. Cllr. Timms said that the County Council would no longer be placing roadside salt tips, only salt-bins.

**20/3755 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER MEETING**

The Minutes of the September Meeting were approved as a correct record.

Proposed by Cllr R. Cragg.

Seconded by Cllr. R. Hughes.

**20/3756 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MEETING**

There were no matters arising.

**20/3757 CO-OPTION OF A COUNCILLOR**

The Clerk was asked to post copies of the three CV’s, along with a voting slip and stamped and addressed envelope, to all members of the Council with the proviso that they are to be completed and returned to the Clerk by 22nd December. The result of this ballot will be presented to the Council on the 4th January 2021.

**20/3758 FINANCIAL MATTERS**

1. Accounts for payment.

The Accounts were paid as on the schedule attached to these Minutes.

1. Monthly Budget

The Budget was duly approved as a correct record.

1. Other Matters
2. It was agreed to pay the annual subscription of £95.00 to SLCC.
3. The invoice from Vision ICT for updating the Council’s website has been received. The amount due is £1,020.00 but the Clerk stated that she is not yet happy with the website and will withhold payment until the work is completed. She asked the Chairman to look at the website, which has yet to be launched, and give an opinion. The Council agreed to leave the outcome of this matter to the discretion of the Chairman and Clerk.
4. To set the Precept for 2021-2022.

The Council unanimously agreed to raise the Precept by 1.5%. This means an annual rise in monetary terms of £158.00 per annum and equates to approximately 51p per household. (The Precept for 2020/21was £10, 506/ 2021/22 - £10,664).

Clerk’s salary, insurance, website and newsletter and Audit.

The proposed Precept takes account of the yearly rise in salary for the Clerk and various other items of expenditure including the annual rise in inflation effecting the Audit, Council Insurance, Website and Newsletter.

Garage, seats and notice boards.

A rise in the amount allocated for the repair of the garage, seats and notice boards has been agreed. Although the Council does not anticipate that any major work will need carrying out in the foreseeable future as these assets are regularly inspected and maintained.

Capital items.

The amount allocated to ‘Capital Items’ in 2020/21 was used for updating the Council’s website, which was a legal obligation, but it is hoped that a similar sum can be used for projects in the new financial year.

**20/3759 PLANNING MATTERS**

Applications

Planning Application 27/2020/0927 – Hendy, Llantysilio.

Installation of 2 new dormer windows to replace existing roof lights.

The Council had no objections to this Application.

**20/3760 CEMETERY**

The Clerk reported that a burial is scheduled for the coming week.

**20/3761 COMMUNITY PROBLEMS**

These had been covered under County Councillors Report

**20/3762 COUNCILLORS REPORT**

None

**20/3763 CLERK’S REPORT**

None

**20/3764 MATTERS FOR THE FEBRUARY AGENDA**

Commemorative bench for Shep.

**There being no other business the Chairman declared the Meeting closed.**