## **LLANTYSILIO COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

## MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD 13<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2019

#### PRESENT

<u>Chairman</u>: Cllr. J. G. Evans. <u>Councillors</u>: J. Pickett, A. Jones, S. V. Evans, Mrs M. Smith, R. Cragg, R. Hughes and the Clerk.

## APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllrs' D. Walton and P. Davies.

## **19/3607 DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

None

## 19/3608 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

In the absence of a representative of the County Council this item was deferred to the June Meeting.

## 19/3609 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER MEETING

The Minutes were approved as a correct record. Proposed by Cllr A. Jones. Seconded by Cllr. R. Cragg.

## **19/3609 MATTERS ARISING THEREFROM**

Cllr. S. V. Evans asked if the Council could ask Ken Skates and Cllr. Timms for an update on Broadband.

**Resolved**: the Clerk to contact County Cllr. Timms and Ken Skates.

## **19/3610 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

There were no planning applications.

## **19/3611 FINANCIAL MATTERS**

- a) <u>Accounts for payment.</u> The Accounts were paid as on the schedule attached to these Minutes.
- b) <u>Monthly Budget</u> The Monthly Budget was duly approved.
- <u>Other financial matters</u> The Clerk informed members that the Council's Insurance Policy is due for renewal at a cost of £768.98.

## **19/3612 AFFORDABLE HOUSING**

The Clerk provided an update, but until the Housing Enabler receives confirmation from Pentredŵr Community Association of its intention to sell the land for affordable housing the project cannot move forward.

Following some discussion, it was agreed that Cllr. Hughes would contact the Association's Chairman for an update on the situation. It was also agreed that the Council consider the

option more seriously of an alternative piece of land, in Llantysilio, which would comply with the required planning regulations.

**Resolved**: Cllr. Hughes to contact Paul Coleman

## 19/3613 COUNCILLORS ALLOWANCE

With regard to the new legislation on basic allowance for councillors, this is currently set at  $\pm 150$  for 2019/20, and must be paid to members at the end of the financial year.

In compliance with the regulations governing this legislation members of the Council who were present at the Meeting duly signed the 'Opt Out' form provided, thus agreeing to 'opt out' of receiving this payment.

## 19/3614 DEFIBRILLATOR

Cllr. Mrs Smith reported that she had been unable to find grant funding towards this project and with the price tag for one defibrillator standing at  $\pounds$ 1,500, plus the cost of installation and vat, she asked members for guidance on how it wished to proceed. It was therefore agreed to continue looking for some further method of funding.

Resolved: that Cllr. Mrs Smith and the Clerk investigate further options of funding.

## **19/3615 CEMETERY**

Cllr. Mrs Smith provided an update on the Cemetery.

a) <u>Test holes</u>

The test holes are in the process of being dug and it's looking very hopeful that the outcome will be favourable.

b) <u>Bob's seat</u>

In response to a request from a resident, Cllr. Mrs Smith said that she would ask Alex Cottrell if the seat should be painted.

c) <u>Salt bin</u>

A reasonably priced salt-bin has yet to be found but with the summer months ahead there is no urgency at the moment.

d) <u>Wooden rubbish bins</u>

The wooden rubbish bins at the lower end of the cemetery are in dire need of replacing as they have now well and truly passed their sell by date. Cllr. Mrs Smith agreed to find the best way of replacing them. She has removed four black bin bags full of rubbish, some containing dog-poo, from the area of the bins. She will site a relevant notice asking people to take non-disposable waste home with them.

e) <u>Water tap</u>

The wooden box that houses the water tap needs replacing. The Chairman agreed to look into replacing the box.

**Resolved**: Cllr. Mrs Smith to contact Alex Cottrell: find the best way of replacing the rubbish bins and to site a 'no none-disposable waste' notice. Cllr. J. G. Evans to look into replacing the wooden box that houses the water tap.

#### **19/3616 COMMUNITY PROBLEMS**

#### a) Road conditions

Cllr. Hughes said that the Council needs to be more assertive when it comes to the condition of the local roads. Many of the problems, such as pot-holes etc. have been reported to DCC by the Clerk many times over with no response. The road through Pentredŵr needs new tarmac and the roadside gorse, as reported by Cllr. Pickett (Minute No. 19/3587), has still not been attended to, even though this was mentioned at the Fact Finding meeting held in Llangollen Pavilion in March 2019 on the Llantysilio mountain fire

## b) Speeding on Maes yr Uchain lane

Cllr. Hughes has been contacted by a resident of Maes yr Uchain lane complaining about the speed of some traffic in that area, specifically delivery vehicles.

c) Thank you letter

Cllr. Hughes asked for the Council's agreement is sending a 'thank you' letter to James Dean for the excellent job he had done in tidying up Tan y Fron lane.

**Resolved**: that the Clerk contacts James Dean and Tim Towers asking for a full survey to be undertaken on the condition of all the roads in the Council's area. The Clerk to write a 'thank you' letter to James Dean

# **19/3617 COUNCILLORS REPORT** None

19/3618 CLERK'S REPORT None

# **19/3619 CORRESPONDENCE**

As read/email

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