

LLANFAIR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Council Meeting held at St Hilary Village Hall on Thursday, 6th February 2014 at 7.00pm.

Present: Chairman : Councillor Jim Teague
Councillors : Malcolm Francis, David Ilsley, Mary Llewellyn,
Heather Shaw, Ray Simkiss and Geoff Simpson..

In Attendance: Jackie Griffin, Clerk.
Vale of Glamorgan Councillor G A Cox.
Vale of Glamorgan Councillor Andrew Parker.

Item 1: Apologies for Absence.

Councillor David Hawkins
Vale of Glamorgan Councillor Hunter Jarvie.

Item 2: Declarations of Interest.

None.

Item 3: Community Police Matters.

Councillor Francis reported that some ex-prisoners had visited Llandough selling household items. Some residents were concerned at this and the matter was reported to the Police via the 101 number. Councillor Francis was very impressed by the speed of the attention given by the police to the matter and would like to pass on his appreciation.

Item 4: Acceptance of Minutes of Meeting held 9th January 2014.

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held 9th January 2014 was a correct record of the meeting and the minutes were duly signed by the Chairman.

Item 5: Matters arising from the Minutes of Meeting held 9th January 2014 (Not included on this agenda).

5.1 (Item 13.4) – The Clerk advised that copies of documents have been received from the Vale of Glamorgan Council regarding the creation of the public footpath No. 14 Llanfair (i.e. from St Mary Church to the Herberts) and included both the Notice of Confirmation and Confirmed Order for the creation of the proposed footpath. Councillor Cox advised that authorisation had been given for the balance of S106 monies amounting to £7,000 to be used to assist with the cost of the construction of the footpath.

5.2 (Items 13.2 and 13.1) – Councillor Simkiss advised that some of the roads in Llandough have been cleaned and the reported potholes have now been repaired.

Item 6: Clerk's Report.

Finances

Bank balance was noted at **£4,156.17** (Current Account £3,264.79 and Savings £891.38).

Payments made since last meeting are:

Clerk's Salary (January) - £161.08;
St Mary Church Residents Association (Portion of Christmas CASH Grant) - £160.00 (not yet debited from bank account).

**Item 6: Clerk's Report.
Finances (Continued)
Monies received since last meeting are Nil.**

Payments due to be made are:

Clerk's Salary (February) - £161.08;
St Hilary (Portion of Christmas CASH Grant) - £160.00;
HCI Data Ltd (Fee for registering the Community Council's Domain name) £130.80.

Venue for Meetings.

Due to the closure of Llandough Church Hall for the foreseeable future, it was agreed that meetings should be held in St Hilary Village Hall.

Item 7: Website.

The Clerk advised that the domain name has been registered and HCI Data Ltd has started the creation of a website. The Clerk is working on the website and hopes to get it up and running as soon as possible.

Item 8: Christmas events.

Councillor Simkiss advised that the event in Llandough has been postponed until the summer months due to the closure of the Church Hall.

St Hilary's event will be organised in due course.

Item 9: Reports of Representatives.

Councillor Teague reported on the Community Liaison Committee meeting held on 28th January and highlighted two items that were discussed:

- 'Cyd Cymru (Wales Together) – this arrangement is supported by the Vale of Glamorgan Council and is a method of obtaining a better deal on the cost of gas and electricity by residents getting together to negotiated a good price.
- The 'Greenlinks Bus G1 Route' – this is a bus route from Llantwit Major to Bridgend via Cowbridge and some villages inbetween and must be booked in advance. Journeys cost £2 single, £3 return. Regretfully at the present time, the route does not include the villages in the Llanfair area.

It was suggested that the Clerk should congratulate the Vale of Glamorgan Council on the Greenlinks Bus route and appeal to the Council to consider including the Llanfair villages at some stage.

Councillor Francis reported on the last local committee meeting of One Voice Wales which he attended. The main item discussed at the meeting was 'Fracking' and Councillor Francis had already sent a very detailed report out to Members on this item.

Another item discussed at the meeting was the Charter between Town and Community Councils in Cardiff and Cardiff Council which has made very little progress to date.

Councillor Francis advised that at the present time, only the Chairman and Clerk can directly contact One Voice Wales. Councillor Francis strongly feels that the Council's representative should also be able to contact One Voice Wales and the Members agreed. It was **resolved** that the Clerk should contact One Voice Wales to propose this to the organisation.

Item 10: Planning.

- 10.1 Results of Planning Applications received by the Vale of Glamorgan Council:
- (i) Planning Application No. **2013/1198/FUL** – Proposed single storey extensions to side, front and rear; proposed garage; erection of polytunnels, at Glebe Farm, St Hilary – **Grants permission with 1 condition.**
 - (ii) Planning Application No. **2013/01210/FUL** – Single storey side pitched roof extension at Llandough House, Llandough – **Grants permission with 1 condition.**
 - (iii) Planning Application No. **2013/00967/LBC** – Replacement of single glazed panes with double glazed sealed units within existing wooden frames at Manor Cottage, St Hilary – **Consents with 3 conditions.**
 - (iv) Planning Application No. **2013/01143/FUL** – Two storey extension providing bathroom and additional kitchen area at Ty'r Ardd, Llandough – **Grants permission with 3 conditions.**

Item 11: Correspondence and Publications.

- 11.1 Letter from Alun Cairns MP inviting Members on a Parliamentary Tour of the Houses of Parliament. Mr Cairns MP is keen to develop and maintain close links with the council and sees this as a perfect opportunity to do so.
Members discussed the matter and agreed that they are interested in taking up Mr Cairns MP's offer and the Clerk will make enquiries with regard to dates for such a visit.
- 11.2 Letter from the Vale of Glamorgan Council regarding personal and prejudice interest and reminding Councillors of the Code of Conduct and the requirement to declare interests at meetings. The Clerk will scan in the letter and circulated to each Member for their information.
- 11.3 Documents received from the Vale of Glamorgan Council regarding the creation of the public footpath No. 2 St Hilary enclosing both the Notice of Confirmation and Confirmed Order for the creation of the proposed footpath.
Noted.
- 11.4 Letter from the Teenage Cancer Trust seeking financial support particularly to assist with their only unit in Wales at the University Hospital of Wales, entitled 'The Skypad', in Cardiff which opened in June 2009.
Noted.
- 11.5 Letter from Bridgend Samaritans seeking financial assistance with the costs of running the charity.
Noted.
- 11.6 'The Voice' – Publication of One Voice Wales – Winter 2013.

Item 12: Any Other Business allowed at the discretion of the Chairman.

- 12.1 Councillor Francis had read the Consultation Document 'Positive Planning' and had prepared a response on the questionnaire which was included, stating the following points:
- That the Community Council is not in favour of the removal of the currently mandatory 'Design and Access' Statement. Members agreed that this document is very useful to Councillors as it gives a description of the proposal.

**Item 12: Any Other Business allowed at the discretion of the Chairman.
(Continued)**

- The Community Council is not in favour of the removal of the requirement to publish notices within newspapers advising the public of the proposed planning application that has been submitted.
- The Community Council is not in favour of any measure which will reduce the time limit available to the public to comment on planning applications.
- The Community Council is in favour of the use of temporary stop notices which could assist in cases of enforcement.

12.2 **Resolved** that the 'Williams Report' should be placed on the agenda of the meeting to be held in April.

**Item 13: Date, Place and Time of Next Meeting.
The next meeting will be held on Thursday, 3rd April 2014, at 7.00pm in St Hilary Village Hall.**

..... Chairman
Date : 3rd April 2014.