

LLANFAIR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Council Meeting held at St Hilary Village Hall on Thursday, 1st December 2016 at 7.00pm.

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

In Attendance: Jackie Griffin, Clerk.
PC Elson.
One member of the public.

Item 1: Apologies for Absence.
Councillor David Hawkins.
Vale Councillors G A Cox, H Jarvie and A Parker.

Item 2: Declarations of Interest.
None.

Item 3: Community Police Matters.
PC Elson advised that there is no replacement PCSO for the Cowbridge Area at present.
PC Elson advised that there is currently a telephone 'scam' with a caller ringing regarding pensions and savings and PC Elson asked that the Council make their residents aware of this.
There are concerns with regard to 'doorstep' crime and possible intruders and PC Elson asked that any concerns are reported to the Police by calling '101'.
It was **resolved** that a letter should be sent to the Chief Constable stating the Council's concern with regard to the lack of PCSO for the Cowbridge area.

Item 4: Acceptance of Minutes of Meeting held 3rd November 2016.
Proposed by Councillor Francis and **resolved** that the minutes of the meetings held 3rd November 2016 were a correct record of the meetings and the minutes were duly signed by the Chairman.

Item 5: Matters arising from the Minutes of Meeting held 3rd November 2016, (not included in this agenda).
No matters arising.

Item 6: Report from the Vale of Glamorgan Councillors.
No report.

Item 7: Chairman's Report.
Councillor Simkiss thanked Councillor Simpson for attending the Remembrance Sunday Parade in Cowbridge and for laying the Llanfair wreath.

Item 8: Clerk's Report.

Finances

Bank balance was noted at **£4,890.18** (Current Account £3,997.81 and Savings £892.37).

Payments made since last meeting are:

Clerk's Salary (November) - £192.83;

St Hilary Village Hall – Hire of Hall - £300.00 (not yet presented at bank);

J Griffin – Reimbursement of payment for projector - £369.99 (Net £308.32).

Payments due to be made are:

Clerk's Salary (December) - £192.83;

The Poppy Appeal (Wreath) - £20.00

No monies received into the Bank Account.

Heating in St Hilary Village Hall.

Members expressed their concern at the lack of heating, particularly this evening, in the hall although it was appreciated that Councillor Hawkins is currently away and he usually ensures that the Hall is heated for the meeting.

Item 9: Planning.

No items.

Item 10: Reports of Representatives.

No reports.

Item 11: C.A.S.H. Grants.

The Clerk advised that it has been reported that Christmas CASH Grants are available this year in the sum of £315 and an application has been made. The Clerk will advise all members once the grant is received.

Item 12: To agree meeting dates for 2017.

The Clerk confirmed that the hall is available on the dates circulated at the last meeting.

Item 13: Correspondence and Publications.

13.1

E-mail communication (previously circulated to councillors) from the Local Democracy Boundary Commission for Wales outlining their Electoral Review Programme and advising that the review for the Vale of Glamorgan will commence circa April 2019. Documents included were:

- Council Size Policy;
- Policy and Practice Document;
- Electoral Review Programme for Wales.

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'The Clerk' Publication – November 2016.

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- Item 14: Any Other Business allowed at the discretion of the Chairman.**
- 14.1 The Clerk raised the matter of a broken bench on St Hilary Down. There are two benches in situ, one is a wooden one which is very well used and the other is a steel one which is in private ownership. The Vale of Glamorgan Council has contacted the Clerk regarding one of the benches which they have received a complaint about as it has fallen into disrepair. The Clerk advised that she would visit the site and take a look at what can be done to repair the broken bench.
- 14.2 Members discussed the fact that there is no 'school' sign at The Herberts. The Vale of Glamorgan Council is not prepared to site one there but the Community Council had previously agreed to pay for one if necessary. The Head Teacher is prepared to order the sign and it was **resolved** that the Community Council would pay the amount required of approximately £400.
- 14.3 Members discussed the proposed adoption of the telephone box in St Hilary. It was reported that the village is still keen to adopt the box. It was agreed that the Clerk should investigate any requirement for insurance.
- 14.4 Members discussed locations for BT internet boxes around Llandough and St Mary Church.
- Item 15: Date, Place and Time of Next Meeting.**
The next meeting will be held on Thursday, 5th January 2017 at St Hilary Village Hall at 7.00pm.

..... Chairman
Date : 5th January 2017.