

LLANFAIR COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Minutes of Council Meeting held at
St Hilary Village Hall,
On Thursday, 4th July 2019 at 7.00pm.

Present: Chairman : Councillor Mary Llewellyn
Councillors : Stephanie Bonnar, Julian Hitchcock, Heather Shaw,
Ray Simkiss, Geoff Simpson and Jim Teague.

In Attendance: Jackie Griffin, Clerk;

Item 1: Apologies for Absence.

Councillor David Hawkins
Vale Councillors G A Cox, H Jarvie and A Parker.
PC Stuart Elson.

Item 2: Declarations of Interest.

None.

Item 3: Community Police Matters.

No police presence.

Item 4: To discuss the 'Community Speed Watch Wales' initiative of South Wales Police.

Members discussed the initiative further and raised the following points:

- Training from the Police is required for volunteers.
- The only possible location at the Herberts would be on the pavement
- Members previously had 'reservations' with regard to the initiative.
- Referred to the suggested 20 mph by Peterston-Super-Ely and discussed at One Voice Wales.
- It was noted that a 20 mph cannot be enforced by Local Authorities.

Resolved that PC Elson is advised of the Members' interest in the initiative.

Item 5: Acceptance of Minutes of the Meeting held on 6th June 2019.

Resolved that the minutes of the Meeting held 6th June 2019 were a correct record of the meeting and the minutes were duly signed by the Chairman.

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Item 6: Matters arising from the Minutes of the Meeting 6th June 2019.

6.1 Members referred to their 'proposed' visit to the Farm and hope that arrangements can be made for this soon.

6.2 (Item 14.5) It was reported that the Japanese Knotweed is located at 'Beggars Bush.

6.3 It was noted that the pot hole at 'The Mill' has not yet been filled in.

Item 7: Report from the Vale of Glamorgan Councillors.

No Vale Councillors present.

Item 8: Chairman's Report.

Councillor Llewellyn reported that she will be attending the Mayor of Cowbridge Civic Sunday on 14th July but will not be attending the Reception.

Item 9: Clerk's Report.

9.1 Finances

Bank balance was noted at **£4,859.48** (Current Account £3,965.38 and Business Reserve Account £894.10).

Payments made since last meeting are:

Clerk's Salary (June) - £154.26;

HMRC Tax (June) - £38.57;

Vale of Glamorgan Council ('Unsuitable for HGV's' sign at The Herberts) - £687.99.

Payments due to be made are:

Clerk's Salary (July) - £154.26;

HMRC Tax (July) - £38.57;

One Voice Wales (Chairing Skills Training attended by Councillors Hawkins and Llewellyn) - £40.00 (normally £80 but 50% bursary claimed by Clerk);

No Monies received.

Hire of Room at Llanfair Primary School.

It was noted that no payment has been made to Llanfair Primary School for the use of the school for meetings. This will be referred to the Head Teacher.

Item 10: To discuss 'Champion Tree' Competition.

The Woodland Trust has organised a 'Wales Tree of the Year' competition with a prize of a £1,000 tree care grant. The object of the competition is to celebrate all that trees offer to the wider community with a way of raising the profile of an important local landmark and fly the flag for the village or town.

It was agreed that the Yew tree in St Mary Church should be entered and the Clerk should meet with Councillor Teague to discuss and arrange the entry.

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Item 11: Reports of Representatives.

Councillor Teague reported on the recent meeting of the Community Liaison Meeting which included the following items:

- A Report from the Police was given.
- Discussion on 'Rogue Traders'.
- A paper was distributed on Election costs at the request of Llandough Community Council. Most election costs are met by the Vale Council but the smaller councils raised their concerns that they could be made bankrupt by such costs although the Vale Council will allow the Town and Community Councils two years to pay excessive fees. The Clerk will forward the link for the paper prepared by the Vale Council to Members.

Item 12: Correspondence and Publications.

- 12.1 E-mail from the Vale of Glamorgan Council enclosing an invitation to 'Reshaping Services Workshop' on Friday 12th July from 10am to 1pm – *(forwarded to Members)*.
- 12.2 E-mail from One Voice Wales giving information from a meeting with the Information Commissioner's Office – *(forwarded to Members)*.
- 12.3 One Voice Wales Bulletin for June 2019.
- 12.4 Clerks and Councils Direct publication – July 2019.

Item 13: Any Other Business allowed at the discretion of the Chairman.

- 13.1 Members raised their concerns at the growth of the verges. The Clerk will make enquiries with the Vale Council as to the cutting timetable for the summer months.

Item 14: Planning.

- 14.1 Planning Application No. **2019/00680/FUL**
Applicant: Mr & Mrs J Howkins
Agent: Prime Oak Ltd.
Location: Keepers Lodge, St Athan Road, St Mary Church
Proposal: Single storey oak framed orangery extension to rear.

Item 15: Date, Place and Time of Next Meeting.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, 5th September 2019 at Llanfair Primary School at 7.00pm.

..... **Chairman**
Date : 5th September 2019.