

PENLLERGAER COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held on 13th December 2016

PRESENT. Councillor W Morgan (Chairman)

Councillors Mr T John, Mrs R A Talbot, Mrs M Morgan Mr K Evans Mrs W Fitzgerald, Mrs C Pugh,

APOLOGIES

Councillor Mr D Oakley, Mrs G Richards, Mr M Daniels, Mr W Meredith, Mr N Bolt.

08.16.01 PUBLIC MEETING

No public in attendance.

08.16.02 DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS

None

08.16.03 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 8th November 2016 were approved

08.16.04 MATTERS ARISING

Defibrillator

The Chairman reported that the defibrillator and cabinet have been received

08.16.05 CORRESPONDENCE

Asbri Planning

Noted the Notice of construction of 80 dwellings by Enzo's Homes Ltd at former Civic Centre.

Mr Neil Veck, Brook Glade, North Lodge Close.

Noted concern expressed by Mr Veck over intrusion of plant (with similar characteristic to Japanese Knot Weed) from adjacent sports field hedgerow onto his property and requesting the Council take action to remedy the problem

Resolved that Mr Veck be contacted and the matter be investigated

Mr Andrew Bramhall, Monkey Tree Care Ltd

Proposal for recycling of Christmas Trees

Noted a proposal from Mr Andrew Bramhall to provide a Christmas Tree recycling service at a location designated by the Council. A nominal charge will be levied and the proceeds (less cost of fuel used) together with the recycled woodchip will be donated to a local charity.

Resolved that the Council offer the Sports Field as a potential recycling location subject to availability.

08.16.06 NEWSLETTER

Thanks to Councillor Pugh for the latest excellent Newsletter.

08.16.07 FINANCE REPORT

(a) Invoices for Payment

The following invoices were approved for payment

Low Cost Plumbing	Unblock drain V Hall	£216.00
Cariad	Defibrillator	£900.00
Cariad	Defibrillator cabinet	£400.00
Friends of Penllergare	Subscription 2017	£25.00
Councillor Tom John	Reimb clean gutters V Hall	£100.00
Mrs Ena John	Bulbs for Planter	£24.03
B.K.Hamer	Hire of JCB Sports Field	£62.00
Councillor Mrs C Pugh	Reimb Printing Newsletter	£175.00
Councillor Mrs C Pugh	Reimb Christmas Parade Exps	£78.96
Lluchwr Town Council	Reimb advert re code of conduct	£59.09

Councillor Mrs Pugh and Councillor Fitzgerald left the meeting at this stage

(b) Budget Review 2016/2017

Noted the financial review for the current year (as set out in the enclosed summary) indicating the main variances in the projected income and expenditure for the current year compared to the original budget. In the case of the Village Hall the refurbishment of the Kitchen area resulted in additional expenditure due in part to unexpected problems with dry rot which did not become apparent until work commenced. In other areas the cost of consultants to advise on the LDP transport issues resulted in urgent payments of £2850. This was partly offset by savings in the environmental budget due to a reduction in the number of floral baskets provided by the City and County of Swansea. The cost of the Defibrillator and Cabinet was funded by a transfer of funds from the Jubilee Fund and a donation from the Old Inn. In overall terms at this stage the projected income and expenditure for the current year will require a contribution of £3050 from the General Reserve compared to a planned contribution of £1500 to the General Reserve in the original budget. A full report on the Budget, Precept and indicative Band "D" Council tax for 2017/18 will be presented to the next Meeting.

Resolved that the report be noted and the position be reviewed when the Budget for 2017/18 is considered shortly.

08.16.08 REPORT OF THE SUB COMMITTEES.

Sports Field

Councillor John reported that the fencing work is currently in progress and is expected to be completed by Christmas.

Village Hall In the absence of Councillor Pugh there is no report

Environment In the absence of Councillor Fitzgerald there was no report. However the Chairman reported on the latest Innogy liaison meeting and in particular the sum of £240,000pa which will be available for community use in affected areas when the project is completed.

Police The presence of the police at the Christmas Event was noted with pleasure.

08.16.09 CONSIDERATION OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

The following applications were approved

2016/3321 Mrs S Griffiths- Goddard, 80, Gorseinon Road

Single storey side/rear extension

2016/3334 Mr Benson, Cross Garage, Swansea Road

Demolition of existing sales building and workshops, removal of part of forecourt and replacement with new sales building

08.16.10 RESIDENTS QUERIES

Councillor Mrs M Morgan. Concern over the dog bin in Parc Penllergaer.

Councillor Mr K Evans Request for consideration of a keep clear hatched zone at Parc Penllergaer traffic lights to facilitate easier exit at busy times.

08.16.11 DATE OF NEXT MEETING. 10th January 2016

D.L.Hoskins CPFA

Clerk to the Council