

ROSEMARKET COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held at the Village Hall, Rosemarket on Monday 02/06/08

Apologies : None.

Present : C'llrs Barbara Summons, M.B.E., Evelyn Poar, Tony Young, David Wildman, Rhys Jones, Alan Taylor (Chairman); Peter Horton (Clerk).

Minutes of the 2008 A.G.M.

The minutes were agreed as an accurate record (Proposer C'lr Evelyn Poar, seconder C'lr Tony Young), and signed by the Chairman.

Minutes of the May monthly meeting

The minutes were agreed as an accurate record, and signed by the Chairman (Proposer C'lr Tony Young, seconder C'lr Rhys Jones).

Matters arising.

Grass cutting. C'lr Alan Taylor mentioned that the gate to The Beacon could not be opened, as someone had changed the lock. The solicitor Stephen Thomas had been consulted about the matter. He had advised that the Community Council, as owners, could do as it pleased with the gate. C'lr Alan Taylor suggested, to avoid future problems, that the gate should be removed altogether. C'lr Tony Young suggested a site visit prior to making a final decision on the matter. C'lr Alan Taylor questioned the need for this. He stated that the main consideration was health and safety, with the problems of access for grass-cutting a secondary issue. Members agreed to have a site meeting after the conclusion of the monthly meeting. It was decided that, subject to agreement by Members present at the site meeting, arrangements would be made for the gate to be removed (Proposer C'lr Alan Taylor, seconder C'lr Barbara Summons). C'lr Tony Young felt that the matter should be reviewed from time to time as and when necessary.

School playground. It had been suggested that a further letter to Stephen Thomas should be written, in stronger terms, seeking a final resolution of the matter. Mr. Thomas himself had indicated that such a letter would be helpful in pursuing the matter decisively.

Meeting venue. C'lr David Wildman felt that the current arrangement of using the green room for meetings was unsatisfactory, as it did not allow sufficient room for members of the public to attend. Members felt that the matter could be left in abeyance for the three months, with a review to be undertaken after that time. Matter to be placed on the September agenda for further discussion.

Draft Risk Reduction Plan consultation. C'lr Evelyn Poar reported to Members on the consultation document. She felt that the cost of producing the document was unwarranted, especially given the continuing cuts in the Fire Service. Matter to be listed for discussion in July, for any comments to be sent back prior to the reply deadline.

Plans

There were no plans for discussion this month.

Accounts

Internal audit.

Members agreed that Mrs. Gill Gill should be approached to carry out the internal audit. Clerk to contact Mrs. Gill about this.

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Charitable donations.

It was agreed that the £100 donation made last month to Catherine Hancock would be sourced from the Children's fund.

Members agreed to the following charitable donations :

Samaritans	:	£25
Victim Support	:	£25
Johnston Scouts Group	:	£25
Pembrokeshire Y.F.C.	:	£25

The above matters were agreed by Members (Proposer C'lr Tony Young, seconder C'lr Rhys Jones).

Correspondence

- 1) Pembrokeshire Community Health Council – Welsh Assembly Government proposals to change the structure of the NHS in Wales – C'lr David Wildman outlined the main proposals in the document for the benefit of Members. Document passed to C'lr Tony Young for perusal.
- 2) P.C.C. – Information on dispensation requests to Standards Committee – Clerk to reply requesting a dispensation for C'lr David Wildman, Barbara Summons and Alan Taylor as representatives of the Village Hall Committee.
- 3) W.A.G. – Questionnaire on fixed penalty notices issued – Clerk to return the questionnaire.
- 4) Catherine Hancock – Letter of thanks for recent donation – noted.

Discussion of bank signatory arrangements

Clerk to obtain new mandate forms. Matter to be placed on July agenda for decision on details of new signatories.

Discussion of Welsh Language Scheme

Members agreed for the Clerk to return the amended draft Welsh Language Scheme document to P.A.L.C.

Discussion of St. Mary's Park and adjacent areas

C'lr David Wildman informed Members that the survey of residents was still in progress. Matter to be re-listed for discussion in July.

Discussion of land at Westaway Park

C'lr David Wildman informed Members that information on projected grass-cutting costs for the land at Westaway Park had not yet been made available. Matter to be listed for discussion in July.

Discussion of acquisition of school playground

Matter already discussed under matters arising. Matter to be listed for discussion each month until the matter was finally resolved.

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Discussion of odd-job man position

The Clerk read to Members the advice received from the Monitoring Officer regarding possible ways of approaching a joint caretaker / odd-job man. Members agreed for C'llrs David Wildman and Alan Taylor to draft a rough job specification. Clerk to e-mail the reply advice from the Monitoring Officer to C'llrs Alan Taylor and David Wildman for reference.

Discussion of Llangwm School governor community position

C'lr Barbara Summons had had no success in finding a candidate for the vacant governors position, though she had approached several individuals about the matter. Matter left in abeyance.

Any other business

Grass-cutting outside the chapel wall. C'lr David Wildman informed Members that the matter was in hand.

Village improvements. Certain proposals had been made for possible improvements to the appearance of the village. Opinions were being sought on the proposals, which were currently on display in the Village Hall as a photographic display with a comments book alongside.

Hedgehog Rescue presentation. Members were informed that a presentation was scheduled for 24th July, in the Village Hall in the afternoon.

Public forum

David Barraah addressed the meeting to thank Members for the letter received from the Community Council following his recent retirement as Community Councillor. He also asked if an attempt was going to be made to identify the vandals who had stolen the gate lock, and if the Police were to be informed about the matter. C'lr Alan Taylor mentioned that an item would probably be inserted into In Touch on the subject.

The meeting concluded at 7-55pm. Next meeting, Monday 7th July, 2008, 7pm.