

ROSEMARKET COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held at the Village Hall, Rosemarket on Monday 03/11/08

Apologies : C’lir Rhys Jones.

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

Minutes of the October monthly meeting

The minutes were agreed as an accurate record (Proposer C’lir Barbara Summons, seconder C’lir Tony Young), and signed by the Chairman.

Matters arising.

Bastleford Road. Members were informed that the street sign was now in place.

Accounts. C’lir Tony Young asked about auditing of the accounts in relation to back-payments to the Clerk. Members were assured that there would be no adverse auditing issues providing this was minuted at the time of payment.

Public Rights of Way. C’lir Evelyn Poar had identified some local residents who were offering their services to assist with the proposed walk of the community rights of way. It was anticipated that this would be organised for sometime early in the New Year.

Plans

Applications.

08/0761/AG (Agricultural building, Rosehill Farm, Johnston – Applicant Mr. S. Lewis) : Approved.

Refusals issued.

08/0619/PA (Alterations, 20 & 22, West Street, Rosemarket).

Accounts

Audit.

Members were informed that the audit had been successfully completed. The Audit report recommended an increase in the fidelity guarantee limit, though it was pointed out in the report that this was not mandatory. Clerk to obtain information on the cost of increasing the fidelity guarantee level and report back to Members in January. Members accepted the audit report.

Payments

BDO Stoy Hayward	:	£141-00
Rosemarket Village Hall Committee	:	£717-94

All the above items were agreed by Members (Proposer C’lir Tony Young, seconder C’lir Evelyn Poar).

Correspondence

- 1) P.C.C. – Consultation about proposed supplementary planning guidance on planning obligations - passed to C’lir Alan Taylor for perusal. Members agreed for C’lir Alan Taylor to respond to the consultation directly, as the deadline for response fell before the next scheduled meeting.
- 2) P.C.C. – Confirmation of official status of Bastleford Road – noted.
- 3) Johnston Scout Group – Thanks for recent donation – noted.

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- 4) BDO Stoy Hayward – Notification of successful completion of audit – dealt with under Accounts.
- 5) Welsh Assembly Government – Copy of latest Fire and Rescue National Framework Plan – Passed to C’llr Barbara Summons for perusal.
- 6) P.C.C. – Letter enquiring about the position of the Community Council on a possible long term lease of land at Westaway Park – dealt with under separate agenda item.
- 7) Local Government Boundary Commission for Wales – Review of local election results and statistics – passed to C’llr Alan Taylor for perusal.
- 8) P.C.C. – Advertising information from Licensing Department on local taxi services – Poster passed to C’llr Alan Taylor for noticeboard.
- 9) Dyfed Powys Police Authority – Policing Plan 2009-2012 and consultation on policing priorities – Members discussed, and identified antisocial behaviour and visible police presence as the two priorities to be identified in the reply. Clerk to respond accordingly.
- 10) Pembrokeshire Association of Community Transport Organisations – Invitation to forthcoming meeting of Community Transport Forum, 26th November 2008, Picton Centre Haverfordwest, 11am – passed to C’llr Barbara Summons for perusal and possible attendance.
- 11) Rosemarket Village Hall Committee – Information on insurance renewal costs – discussed under Accounts.

Discussion of possible lease for land adjacent to Westaway Park

C’llr David Wildman provided documentation on the procedure for applying for a Village Green status. A period of 20 years community use was stipulated as a minimum requirement. Members agreed for the Chairman to ask David Barraah to comment on the requirements, but no additional information came to light. Members decided to leave the matter in abeyance until December, with the Clerk to research the requirements and parameters by then. In general, though, Members were concerned at taking on responsibility for maintenance of the area if there was a possibility of gaining Village Green status for the land. Clerk to write a holding reply to Hugh Watson of P.C.C.

Discussion of progress on acquisition of school playground

As C’llr Alan Taylor had not been able to obtain an update from the solicitor, the matter was left in abeyance until December.

Discussion of arrangements for forthcoming Front Window competition, and Remembrance Day Service

Front Window competition. C’llr David Wildman informed Members that the Mayor of Neyland was only available for judging on 11th December. An advertisement for the competition had been placed in the In Touch newsletter, providing information on the date / time of judging, and date and venue for the follow-up event to be held in the Village Hall on 17th December at 6-30pm. C’llrs Barbara Summons and Evelyn Poar to liaise regarding arrangement of refreshments. Members discussed briefly the arrangements for prizes, etc.

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Remembrance Day Service. C'lr Alan Taylor informed Members that he had the wreaths for the service. All the necessary arrangements / times were confirmed by Members.

Discussion of tree-trimming, etc., at Back Lane

C'lr Alan Taylor had seen a person on the weekend cutting around a tree to provide better visibility from the street light. However, this was not part of any overall clearance work. Members had noted numerous problems with overgrowth, fly-tipping, etc. C'lr David Wildman mentioned that the local officer in charge of the area had been replaced, and it was hoped that the general problem around the area would now improve, including in Back Lane. It was now anticipated that clearance would be carried out shortly, and thereafter twice yearly. Clerk to place matter on agenda for December to allow a review of the matter. Clerk to send letter to Mr. Brian Maddocks in P.C.C. thanking him for the work already done around the Community area.

Any other business

Burton Church Licensing service. C'lr Alan Taylor advised Members that he had been invited to attend this forthcoming service on behalf of the Community Council.

Planned. C'lr Alan Taylor informed Members that he was due to attend a forthcoming meeting of Planned on behalf of the Community Council.

Public forum

A lady calling herself Lorraine addressed the meeting as a resident of Westaway Park. She was concerned at rumours of possible plans to build on the land adjacent to Westaway Park. Members assured her that no proposals had been put forward to build, but that the Community Council was working to ensure that the future of the area was secured. She commented that the children used the area a lot and wished to retain it as a recreational area. Members provided all the assurance they could in support of retaining the area as at present.

The meeting concluded at 8-00pm. Next meeting, Monday 1st December, 2008, 7pm.