

MANORDEILO & SALEM COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MEETING 12th OCTOBER 2016

Manordeilo and Salem Community Council held their meeting at 7.30pm on the 12th October 2016 at the Reading Room, Cwmifor.

PRESENT

Councillors Alun Davies, Arwel Davies, Jill Davies, Gwenfil Evans, Hubert Gwynne, Peter Harries, Doris Jones, William Loynton, Owen Williams and County Councillor Joseph Davies.

Cllr. Joseph Davies took the Chair and welcomed PCSO Roger Anthony and PC Arwel Davies attending his first meeting with the Community Council.

- They advised of recent thefts of livestock from outlying areas and reiterated the need for ongoing vigilance.
- Cllr. P. Harries raised the issue of the ongoing danger of speeding vehicles through the village of Salem.
- Arrangements were made for traffic management for the Remembrance Service at Taliaris Church on the 13th November.

Cllr. Joseph Davies thanked both for their attendance and report.

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

Cllr. Joseph Davies welcomed members to the meeting; apologies received from Councillors Dorian Jenkins and Andrew Thomas.

2. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

It was proposed by Cllr. O. Williams, seconded by Cllr. W. Loynton and unanimously agreed, that the minutes of the last meeting held on the 14th September 2016, as typed and circulated, were correct. Signed by the Chair

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following declarations of interest were made:

Cllr. P. Harries – Agenda Item 5 - Request for Financial Support for Salem Short Mat Bowls Club

Cllr. H. Gwynne, Agenda Item 11– Caledfwlch Play Area.

4. MATTERS ARISING

4.4. 4.4.10iv) The fly tipping on the Penybanc to Salem road between Cwmgerwn and Llwydcoed had not been cleared, Clerk to follow up with Carmarthenshire County Council (C.C.C.) Clerk

4.4.5iii) The grant application to purchase four defibrillators had been submitted to the Big Lottery A4A Fund.

4.5iii) It was agreed that a sub-committee be set up to review the Revised Financial Regulations. Cllrs. W. Loynton, Joseph Davies, P. Harries and O. Williams volunteered to undertake the task and it was arranged for this to be done on Wednesday 9th November 6.30 for 6.45pm, at the Reading Room, immediately prior to the November Council Meeting.

Cllrs. W. Loynton, Joseph Davies, P. Harries, O. Williams, Clerk

5xii) A donation of £50.00 had been made to the Carmarthen and District Youth Opera and a letter of acknowledgement and thanks received from them.

10ii) It was noted that the invoice had not yet been received from Grant Thornton for their external audit.

13ii) With regard to County Councillor Edward Thomas's correspondence regarding safety on the Llandeilo roundabout, Mr Ken Skates' (AM and Cabinet Secretary for Economy & Infrastructure, Welsh Government) had responded and his email was read out at the meeting. Noted

5. CORRESPONDENCE

- i) Lloyds Bank Statement dated 30/09/2016, Sheet No 85, Credit Balance £9,540.50 Noted
- ii) C.C.C. nominations for Carmarthenshire Sports Awards. It was proposed by Cllr. H. Gwynne, seconded by Cllr. D. Jones and unanimously agreed to nominate Cllr. Alun Davies for his work over many years with Llandeilo Junior Rugby. Clerk
- iii) C.C.C. Changes to refuse and recycling collections. Notice Boards/Website
- iv) C.C.C. Canvassers required to gather information for the Electoral Register. Notice Boards/Website
- v) C.C.C. Seasonal Decorations. Noted
- vi) Atkins Global on behalf of South Wales Trunk Road Agency re the proposal to extend the 50mph speed limit on the A40 between the junction with the Cwmifor Road and Manordeilo. Details had been forwarded to Councillors and the responses that had been received were in approval of the proposal. Additional comments had been included in the Council's response expressing concern at safety issues in the vicinity of the Manordeilo Service Station and the need to replace the anti-skid surface on the corner adjacent to Glanrwyth Farm, Manordeilo.
- vii) Eluned Morgan AM, Community and Economic Development Survey, Clerk to complete on behalf of the Council. Clerk
- viii) Royal Voluntary Services, recruitment of volunteers to assist with the delivery of Meals on Wheels in Llandeilo. Notice Boards/Website
- ix) Blue Wave Internet, Clerk to look into the possibility of free connection for village halls and community centres. Clerk
- x) Plunkett Foundation, Open Doors Event at Cwmdru Inn on 29th October 2016. Notice Board/Website
- xi) British Heart Foundation Cymru, Seminar 15th October 2016. Noted
- xii) Heart of Wales Line Development Company Ltd, future franchise and development. Noted
- xiii) One Voice Wales including consultations, public appointments, legislation and Welsh Treasury News. Noted
- xiv) Salem Short Mat Bowls, request for financial assistance towards costs for three members representing the Wales A Team to compete at the 2016 British Isles Championship in Birmingham in November. Cllr. P. Harries declared an interest and did not take part in the decision. Due to the time constraints, it was proposed by Cllr. W. Loynton, seconded by Cllr. G. Evans and unanimously agreed to make an immediate donation. It was proposed by Cllr. W. Loynton, seconded by Cllr. Jill Davies and unanimously agreed to donate £50; the players were wished the very best of luck in the upcoming Championships. Clerk
- xv) Marie Curie Nurses in Carmarthenshire, request for financial assistance. Feb
- xvi) Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution, Carmarthenshire, request for financial assistance. Feb

6. BUDGET REVIEW

The Council budget together with the bank statement and cheques not presented was discussed. The Bank Statement dated 30/09/2016 showed a credit balance of £9,540.50. Two cheques had been issued but not presented with a total value of £219.20 giving an actual balance of £9,321.30. It was proposed by Cllr. O. Williams, seconded by Cllr. D. Jones and unanimously agreed that the accounts be approved.

7. LIGHTING

No issues.

8. FOOTPATHS

Official copy received of the Public Path Diversion Order - public footpath 44/177 at Rydygwydd Farm Salem coming in to force on the 28th October 2016. Noted

9. PLANNING

There were no planning applications for review.

10. REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

- i) The Remembrance Service would be held on Sunday 13th November, 9.45am at Taliaris Church.
 ii) The Police would be in attendance to stop the traffic whilst the congregation processed to the Monument. The poppy wreath had been ordered and Cllr. D. Jenkins had very kindly offered to clear the overgrowth around the monument again this year. Cllr. D. Jenkins

11. CALEDFWLCH PLAY AREA

- i) Cllr. H. Gwynne again declared an interest; the lease was renewed for a further five years, and this was signed by Cllrs. H Gwynne, W. Loynton and Jill Davies.
 ii) An email had been received from Mr Stephen Davies, Western Power confirming that 'there were no outstanding safety threats on site. Although an 11kv line does cross the top corner...all poles and apparatus had the relevant signage stipulated for a play area and were in sound condition with clearances adhered to'. The only advice he could provide was 'that no kite flying or long objects are to be used in the top corner or in the close vicinity of the overhead line'.
 iii) The work to remove the uneven concrete paths, clearing undergrowth, hedging, fencing and benches had begun with the view of reopening the play area as soon as possible.
 iv) The tree survey had been undertaken the previous Monday, each tree had been tagged and a detailed report would be completed by Mr Nick Thomas in the next ten days or so.

12. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

i) Syrfewr JED Cyf, Translation Service, April – July 2016, Chq No 1190	£241.63
ii) Manordeilo Reading Room, Hire of Hall, July and September 2016, Chq No 1191	£22.50
iii) Mrs J. Davies, Clerk's Salary October 2016 and Expenses, (proposed by Cllr W. Loynton, seconded by Cllr H. Gwynne and unanimously approved) Chq No 1192	£464.54
iv) Salem Short Mat Bowls, Donation, Chq No 1193	£50.00
TOTAL	£778.67

13. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- i) The following issues were reported and Cllr. Joseph Davies advised that he would discuss with Mr Stuart Quick, Highways Department – overhanging roof at Glanyrafon; road had sunk opposite the entrance to Geryllan, Cwmifor; hedge required cutting in the vicinity of Brynmarian and pot hole in the vicinity of Nantgwynne. Cllr. Joseph Davies
 ii) Cllr. Joseph Davies advised that he had recently attended the official opening of Bro Dinefwr School and added that he had been impressed by the buildings and facilities.
 iii) Due to a potential clash of dates at the Reading Room it was agreed that the December meeting would be held on Wednesday 7th December and not on the 14th. All

As there was no further business, the Chairperson thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.50pm.

.....9th November 2016
 CHAIRPERSON