

MANORDEILO & SALEM COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MEETING 10th MAY 2017

Manordeilo and Salem Community Council held their meeting at 8.00pm following the AGM on the 10th May 2017 at the Reading Room, Cwmifor.

PRESENT

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

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

Cllr. Gwenfil Evans welcomed Councillors to the meeting.

It was agreed to add 'Co-option of Two Members' and 'Insurance' to the Agenda.

2. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

It was proposed by Cllr. O. Williams, seconded by Cllr. Arwel Davies and unanimously agreed, that the minutes of the last meeting held on the 12th April 2017, as typed and circulated, were correct. Signed by the Chair

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

4. MATTERS ARISING

4.4.4.4.4.5ix) The free internet services had been successfully installed by Bluewave Internet at Heolgaled Memorial Hall Salem and Manordeilo Reading Room.

4.4.4.4.4.5v) No further update from Carmarthenshire County Council (C.C.C.) re the telephone kiosks at Rhosmaen, Salem and Penybank.

4.4.4.12.3. The provision of dog fouling bins for Pont Isaac and Penwaun Cwmifor was in hand, C.C.C. had advised that these would now be general waste bins. Cllr. J. Davies was asked to request further bins for Salem and one for the Caledfwlch Play Area. Cllr. J. Davies

4.6A) The Clerk had given the paperwork and records to Mrs Wendy Phillips for the internal audit and all relevant notices had been posted.

4.10iv) It was agreed to request Realm Signs to produce permanent signs to be placed in the defibrillator cabinets advising 'press C and turn handle to open cabinet'. Clerk

4.13i) No further update from C.C.C. re safety concerns at the junction of the C2118 and C2152 in Penybank.

5v) The information on Declarations of Interests made over the previous year had been given to C.C.C.

5viii) The Clerk advised that the 50 mph speed limit had not been extended beyond the existing sign in Manordeilo in the Llangadog direction. It was agreed that safety concerns about the A40 in the vicinity of the Manordeilo Service Station should be forwarded again to the Welsh Government. Clerk

5ix) It was agreed that the Good Councillor's Guide could be emailed to each Councillor for their reference. Clerk

9. The Planning Hearing re land past Hope Cottages between New Inn and Taliaris due to be held on 17 May 2017 had been postponed.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

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| i) Lloyds Bank Statement dated 28/04/2017, Sheet No 92, Credit Balance of £7,176.00. | Noted |
| ii) HSBC Bank Statement dated 15/04/2017, Sheet No 321, Credit Balance of £171.49. | Noted |
| iii) C.C.C. Remittance Advice, first instalment of precept of £4,666.66. | Noted |
| iv) C.C.C. Code of Conduct training; it was agreed to discuss at the next meeting. | Clerk |
| v) C.C.C. consultation workshop on Rights of Way Improvement Plan 11 May, Dinefwr Farm, Llandeilo. Links to be sent to Cllrs. O. Williams, Alun Davies and D. Jones. | Clerk |

- vi) Hywel Dda University Health Board, introduction of new telephone number **111** for NHS Direct/GP Out of Hours Service. Website/Notice Boards
- vii) Wales Audit Office, audit fees and the new audit approach. Clerk
- viii) One Voice Wales, details of membership, appointments, consultations. Noted
- ix) Wrenvale Nurseries and Landscapes. Noted

6. BUDGET REVIEW

The Bank Statement as of 28 April 2017 showed a credit balance of £7,176.00, this figure included the first instalment of the Precept.

7. LIGHTING

No issues.

8. FOOTPATHS

- i) The poor condition of nine stiles and gates on footpaths around Salem had been reported to C.C.C. and they had requested more detailed information and photographs. Cllr. P. Harries would discuss with the person who had originally raised the issue as he had offered his assistance; this would be after his return from an overseas trip. Cllr. P. Harries
- ii) Cllr. Arwel Davies would follow up regarding the maintenance work already carried out on the Tyle footpath and any future work required. Cllr. Arwel Davies

9. PLANNING

It was agreed to submit the following observation to C.C.C. Planning Department:

E/35427 Relocation of Bathroom, Formation of En-Suite and Ground Floor WC
 Ty Isaf
 Taliaris
 Llandeilo
 SA19 7DE
 Mr Llyr Davies
No Objections

10. RISK ASSESSMENT

The Risk Assessment Schedule for 2017-18 as previously circulated to Councillors was presented. It was proposed by Cllr. D. Jones, seconded by Cllr. P. Harries and unanimously agreed that this be approved.

11. MAINTENANCE OF BENCHES AND CALEDFWLCH PLAY AREA

- i) The Clerk would arrange quotations for the replacement of the bench previously sited near the junction of Talley Road and the A40. Clerk
- ii) The bench sited at Pont Isaac had been removed for refurbishment and work would follow on the bench at Manordeilo and the notice boards.
- iii) As previously agreed Cllr. W Loynton would check on the status of the existing trees and whether any work needed to be carried out on them following on from the tree survey carried out last year. Cllr. Joseph Davies would purchase grass seed. Cllr. W. Loynton /Cllr. J. Davies
- iv) It was noted that C.C.C. had not cut the grass this year at the play area and it was agreed that Cllr. J. Davies would find out the cost of C.C.C. carrying out this work and Cllrs. Arwel Davies and W. Loynton would enquire locally for prices. They would then liaise to get the best price and arrange for the grass to be cut as soon as possible as it was now very overgrown. Cllrs. J. Davies, Arwel Davies and W. Loynton

12. ONLINE AND SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY

- i) The Manordeilo and Salem Community Council Online Strategy and Policy as prepared by Cllr. O. Williams and previously circulated to Councillors was presented. It was proposed by Cllr. Alun Davies, seconded by Cllr. D. Jones and unanimously agreed that the document be adopted.
- ii) It was further agreed that Online and Social Media would be a standing item on future meeting agendas.

iii) It was proposed by Cllr. D. Jones, seconded by Cllr J. Davies and unanimously agreed that Cllrs. O. Williams and P. Harries be appointed administrators of the Council's social media platforms along with the Clerk.

13. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

i) Cllr. G. Evans, Chairperson's Allowance for 2017/18, Chq No 1219	£220.00
ii) Mrs Jane Davies, Clerk's Salary May 2017, Chq No 1220	£410.00
TOTAL	£630.00

13A. CO-OPTION OF TWO MEMBERS

Two vacancies now existed on the Council, one each for Salem and Cwmifor Wards. The Clerk advised that advertisements would be placed on the website and notice boards at Capel Isaac, Penybanc, Salem, Cwmifor and Manordeilo to invite applications for these posts with a closing date of 10 June and decisions to be made at the next Council meeting on the 14 June 2017. Clerk

13B. INSURANCE

Insurance renewal documentation had been received from Zurich, total premium being £257.60 for 2017-18, an increase of £5.75 which included an Insurance Premium Tax rise of 2%. It was requested that the Clerk check with Zurich if any further discount was available and, if not, it was proposed by Cllr. W. Loynton, seconded by Cllr. D. Jones and unanimously agreed to approve the renewal with Zurich. Clerk

14. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- i) Councillors again expressed concern at the closure of the Llangadog Recycling Centre, the cut in such a valuable local service and the impact it may have on the countryside should there be an increase in fly tipping as a result of this closure. Cllr. J. Davies advised of the significant steps that the County Council had already taken and that work was ongoing to resolve the situation. Clerk to relay the Council's concerns to C.C.C. Clerk
- ii) Concern was again expressed concern about the dilapidated state of the one property in Golwg Y Garn. This had been an issue over many years and Cllr. J. Davies clarified the action already taken by C.C.C. to resolve the situation, this was ongoing.
- iii) It was noted that the Community Council had now been in existence for 30 years and it was agreed to hold a dinner to mark that milestone along with the contribution made by retired Cllr. Jill Davies since the Council's inception in 1987. Clerk

As there was no further business, the Chairperson thanked members for attending and closed the meeting at 9.50pm.

.....14 June 2017
CHAIRPERSON