

**MANORDEILO & SALEM COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
**MEETING 13<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2017**

Manordeilo and Salem Community Council held their meeting at 7.30pm on the 13<sup>th</sup> September 2017 at the Reading Room, Cwmifor.

**PRESENT**

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

**1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES**

Cllr. G. Evans welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies received from Arwel Davies, Kim Davies, Dorian Jenkins and Andrew Thomas.

**2. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

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

**3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr. P. Harries declared an interest in Agenda Item 9, Planning Application E/36077.

**4. MATTERS ARISING**

1A The Clerk had advised Carmarthenshire County Council (C.C.C.) about the co-option of the two new Council members.

4.5iv) Further details had been given to C.C.C. regarding Cllr. O. Williams' nomination for consideration as representative on the C.C.C. Standards Committee.

4.11i) The delivery of the Echo Park Bench had been delayed but the suppliers had said they would deliver week commencing 18 September. Clerk to follow up. Clerk

4.11ii) The refurbishment work on the benches, notice boards and mosaic frames had been completed with new mineral board installed on the Cwmifor, Penybanc and Salem notice boards to allow ease of use. This represented much needed maintenance work and was also a big improvement visually. The total cost of the work including £176.05 for materials and the additional work requested outside the Manordeilo Reading Room came to £476.05. As agreed at the July meeting and in liaison between the Clerk and Chairperson this amount had been paid.

4.11iii) It was agreed to carry out a risk assessment survey on Caledfwlch Play Area, Clerk to arrange with Cllrs. W. Loynton, H. Gwynne and J. Davies. Clerk

4.14iii) The issue of cars parked on the corner travelling towards Capel Isaac Chapel had been reported to the Neighbourhood Policing Team, no update. Clerk

13i) With regard to the Council's objection to the repositioning of the post box to the opposite side of the A40 in Rhosmaen, the Royal Mail response was read out at the meeting; they were currently looking into the matter and would be in touch in due course. The Clerk was asked to enquire further as to what consultation and authority had been sought to resite the post box in the first place. Clerk

13ii) Cllr J. Davies advised that following a number of representations regarding the overflowing bins in the lay-bys on the Llandeilo Bypass, C.C.C. had agreed to increase their emptying from twice to three times a week and was looking into placing double bins and the installation of cameras to monitor and deter unauthorised dumping of refuse bags at those locations.

**5. CORRESPONDENCE**

- i) Lloyds Bank Statement dated 01/08/2017, Sheet No 95, Credit Balance of £5,559.33 Noted
- ii) Lloyds Bank Statement dated 01/09/2017, Sheet No 96, Credit Balance of £8,383.97 Noted
- iii) HSBC Bank Statement dated 15/07/2017, Sheet No 324, Credit Balance of £121.49. Noted
- iv) HSBC Bank Statement dated 15/08/2017, Sheet No 325, Credit Balance of £121.49. Noted
- v) C.C.C. update from the Waste Services Manager regarding the current consultation by Wrap Cymru on alternative provision following the closure of the Household Waste Recycling Centre in Llangadog. Noted

- vi) Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales, presentation on the review for the Carmarthenshire area, Council Chamber, 20 September 2017. Noted
- vii) One Voice Wales - information including training courses, vacancies, consultations and newsletters. Noted
- viii) Carms Federation of Y.F.C's, request for financial assistance. Feb
- ix) Llandovery Community Sports Associations, request for financial assistance. Feb

## 6. BUDGET REVIEW

The Bank Statement as of 1 September 2017 showed a credit balance of £8,483.97 which included the second instalment of the precept. All cheques had been presented.

## 7. LIGHTING

7i) The Clerk had advised C.C.C. about the faulty street lights on the A40 in Rhosmaen and this had been passed on to the South Wales Trunk Road Agency.

7iii) The broken cover on the street light outside Dyfnant, Golwg Y Gaer had been replaced.

7iii) It was reported that the box at the base of the street light near Salem Village Hall had been damaged and wires were exposed. Clerk to report to C.C.C. Clerk

## 8. FOOTPATHS

i) With regard to the Tyle Footpath in Manordeilo, it was agreed to contact the landowner of the adjacent field and arrange that the hedge be cut on the path side when the contractor was cutting the main field. Clerk

## 9. PLANNING

i) Cllr P. Harries again declared an interest in Planning Application E/36077 (family connection with adjacent property) and did not take part in the discussion or decision.

Cllr. J. Davies did not take part in the discussion or decision on Planning Applications E/36072 and E/36077 (in his role as County Councillor)

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

E/35981           Rear Single Storey Extension

Llys Talar

Manordeilo

Llandeilo

SA19 7BP

Mr and Mrs Davies

**No Objections**

E/36028           Change of Use to Hand Car Wash

Unit D part Beechwood Industrial Estate

Talley Road

Llandeilo

SA19 7HR

T. Evans

**No Objections**

E/36072           Removal of condition to permit small retail area to proposed meat packing area

Unit D part Beechwood Industrial Estate

Talley Road

Llandeilo

SA19 7HR

Mr M Jones

**No Objections**

E/36077           Proposed two Storey Dwelling House and Garage

Land opposite Brodawel

Penybanc

Llandeilo

SA19 7BP  
Mr and Mrs James

At the January 2017 meeting, the Council had no objection in principle to the outline planning application E/34841 for one residential dwelling but did note at the time that any detailed plans should be in proportion and in keeping with surrounding properties. A number of complaints have been received from local residents and the Council is of the opinion that any development should be single storey only.

Notification received from the Welsh Government that from 1 September 2017 a Heritage Impact Statement would be required to support any application for listed building or conservation area consent in Wales. This would replace the Design and Access Statement.

## 10. ANNUAL RETURN

- i) The Annual Return had been approved and certified by the external auditor Grant Thornton and Notices of Conclusion of Audit were given to Councillors to be placed on the notice boards in Salem, Penybanc and Capel Isaac. The Clerk would post the notice on the Manordeilo Reading Room board.
- ii) The Clerk had advised the auditors that no PAYE system was in place for the 2016/17 financial year, this had now been rectified and a PAYE scheme was in place operated by the Clerk. The Clerk would also look into the requirements introduced by the new pension rules. Clerk
- iii) The external auditor fee would be £115.20 including VAT; it was proposed by Cllr. J. Davies, seconded by Cllr. A. Davies and unanimously agreed that this be paid when the invoice was received. Clerk

## 11. ONLINE AND SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY

- i) Cllr. O. Williams gave an update on the Council's online and social media presence; information was regularly been posted and the website updated and user numbers were slowly but surely increasing. Links with other Councils were also being strengthened. The Clerk would arrange a meeting with Cllrs O. Williams and P. Harries regarding management of the website. Clerk

## 12. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

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| i) The Garden Furniture Centre, Eco Park Bench, Chq No 1227                               | £389.98          |
| ii) Chq No 1228 – Cancelled   | 0.00             |
| iii) Iwan Harries, refurbishment of benches, notice boards and mosaic boards, Chq No 1229 | 476.98           |
| iv) Mrs Jane Davies, Clerk's September Salary, Chq No 1230                                | £410.00          |
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|   | <b>TOTAL</b>     |
|   | <b>£1,276.96</b> |

## 13. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

13iv) The Council's annual dinner had been much enjoyed, this year's had been of particular significance marking as it did the Council's 30 years in existence and recognising the contribution made by former councillor Jill Davies over those 30 years. Jill expressed her thanks for her gift and thanks were also given to Chairperson Gwenfil Evans for baking and decorating the superb anniversary cake to mark the occasion.

i) Cllr. O. Williams reported back on the Code of Conduct training he had attended the previous evening delivered by One Voice Wales. This had been an informative and useful session with important updates on recent developments including the Model Local Resolution Protocol for Community and Town Councils, Standards Committee, Ombudsman. Cllr. Williams would prepare further feedback for circulation to Councillors. It was agreed that the Model Local Resolution Protocol for Community and Town Councils should be emailed/posted to Councillors for consideration/adoption at the October meeting. Clerk

ii) The circular 30mph sign opposite the entrance to Gors Road in Salem had come off the pole, Clerk to report to C.C.C. Clerk

As there was no further business, the Chairperson thanked members for attending and closed the meeting at 9.15pm.

.....11 October 2017  
CHAIRPERSON