GLADESTRY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

March 2021 Update

In Early March I contacted Ian (Acting Chairman) to advise him that there was no new business for discussion at the meeting scheduled for 15th March, and asked whether he thought that the meeting should proceed, particularly in light of the current Covid restrictions. Ian responded that it was his view that, as in January, the meeting should be postponed until and unless matters came to light which required a meeting. I advised him that I would contact Councillors to advise them; Ian said that he would tell Gareth. On 8th March I sent an email to this effect, and received no requests that the meeting should take place. I mentioned in the email that the next due meeting, in May, probabll should take place as it was the AGM followed by an Ordinary Meeting.

The following duties have been undertaken by the Clerk since the January update:

Planning. Councillors were sent the planning application letter for 21/0110/FUL, relating to Grove Cottage Gladestry, on 3rd February. Comments received by me were generally positive about the application, if not about the planned building itself, It was not necessary for any objections to be raised with Powys. No other planning issues were raised.

Our printer. Councillors were made aware of the problems the Clerk was having with the printer he used for Council business. Ian attempted to clean the machine, and it now prints in black, but with intermittent blanks or half lines. The cause is likely to be lack of use, there having been no papers prepared for meetings. We may need to consider a replacement printer at our next meeting.

Defibrillator. On one of my regular checks of the defibrillator status I noticed that it was showing the out of action marker. I took the machine home, having posted an out of use notice in the kiosk. The defibrillator showed that it required a change of batteries and pads. I ordered the necessary and fitted them, and the machine is now fit for use and back in the kiosk. I also gave the kiosk a quick vacuuming as it was rather spidery.

Payments due. I have attached a copy of my expenses claim for the 2020-21 year. You will note that the significant amount claimed reflects the costs of the defibrillator. I have also arranged for payment of my next quarter's salary to be included on the same cheque.

Appended is a list of the emails I have sent to Councillors since the previous update.

The current budget position, very likely to be the end of year account, is also appended.

The next meeting is scheduled to be held at **7.00pm** on Monday 17th May 2021, being the AGM followed by an Ordinary Meeting.

Emails sent out to Councillors:

January update	(21/1)
Cross road at Newchurch x 2	(31/1)
Planning application 21/0110/FUL Grove Cottage	(3/2)
Planning notices 18-29/1,1-12/2, 15-26/2, 1-12/3	(3/2, 22/2, 8/3, 18/3))
Road condition C1345 Foyce, Gladestry	(11/2)
PAVO March 2021	(8/3)
Welsh Gov't legislation affecting play areas	(8/3)
Welsh Gov't Electoral Newsletter	(10/3)

Gladestry Community Council Accounts

2020-2021

Date	Detail	Minute	Chq No	Amount	Payment In	Balance
01.04.2020	Balance brought forward					3175.95
03.04.21	KEWaugh expenses and salary qtr 1 2020	170	100194	364.25		2811.70
23.04.20	1/3 Precept	172			1000.00	3811.70
18.05.20	Gladestry Village Hall Hire	172	100195	66.00		3745.70
18.05.20	St Mary's Gladestry Grant	172	100196	200.00		3545.70
20.05.20	St David's Colva	172	100197	200.00		3345.70
03.07.20	Grant KEWaugh salary qtr 2	173	100198	250.00		3095.70
08.06.20	Upper Bridge Enterprises website	173	100199	178.20		2917.50
27.08.20	charges 1/3 Precept	174			1000.00	3917.50
21.09.20	JSHarrison (Benches Project)	174	100200	111.44		3806.06
21.09.20	St Mary's Newchurch Grant	174	100201	150.00		3656.06
02.10.20	KEWaugh salary qtr 3	174	100202	250.00		3406.06
28.09.20	Gladestry School	174	100203	266.82		3139.24
16.11.20	Grant Gladestry	174	100204	1000.00		2139.24

	Village Hall Grant K E				
02.01.21	Waugh	175 100205	250.00		1889.24
02.01.21	salary qtr4 Zurich Municipal	175 100206	238.00		1651.24
02.01.21	(Insurance)	173 100200	230.00		1031.24
15.01.21	Wales Audit Office	175 100207	338.75		1312.49
31.12.20	1/3 Precept	175		1000.00	2312.49
22.01.21	Powys CC Play area inspection	175 100208	72.00		2240.49

CLERK'S EXPENSES

2020 - 21

Envelopes	12 @ 4p	£0.48
Stamps	9 @ 66p	£5.94
Audit docs postage		£2.45
Printer ink (multi-pack May 2020)		£20.99
Printer paper		£7.98
Defibrillator batteries		#24.10
Defibrillator pads		#98.39

TOTAL CLAIMED