

Gladestry Community Council.

Minutes of the ordinary meeting held on Monday 15 July 2019  
in Gladestry Village Hall

Present. Mr Derrick Carrington (Chairman), Mr Ian Ball, Mr Joseph Alman, Ms Jane Bisby, Mr Melvyn Hughes, Mr Viv Lloyd, Cllr Michael Jones (Observer) and Mr Kenneth Waugh (Clerk).

1. Apologies. Mr Gareth Croose. Mr Viv Lloyd apologised for his absence from the previous meetings.

2a. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 15 July 2019.

Ian proposed that the minutes from the AGM were agreed; Joseph seconded, and those Councillors present at that meeting approved. The minutes were then signed.

2b Minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 15 July 2019.

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3. Matters arising from the ordinary meeting held on 15 July 2019.

i. Kiosk. Repainting has now been completed, and the Council thanks Peter MacKenzie for the work he has done in restoring the kiosk. The Clerk reiterated that he had had been informed by Community Heartbeat Trust that the power supply to the kiosk had been restored. Melvyn suggested that the emergency phone number for mobiles without their service provider's signal availability – 112 - should be displayed, alongside the address and postcode of the kiosk. The Clerk agreed to make and place a sign. Viv suggested that a second session of training in the use of a defibrillator and CPR would be useful. Jane had been researching this topic, and had been given a costing of £150 for the previous trainer, Anubis, to provide the training; but had been unable to make any meaningful contact with other suggested providers –

the British Heart Foundation and Cariad. Michael suggested the we may like to talk to the Old Radnor Clerk – Tracey Price – as his Council had had training recently. The Clerk agreed to do so. Viv said that he would also make enquiries about provision when he attends the Royal Welsh Show in the near future.

ii. Huntington Lane passing place. The Clerk had been in contact with Powys Highways and had managed to direct them to the correct site, where work has been completed.

iii. Viv informed Councillors that the Village Hall Committee had arrived at a figure of £11000 for the refurbishment and redecoration of the hall, and asked if Councillors agreed to commit to a grant of 10% of this amount. Jane proposed that the Council should do so; Ian seconded, and Councillors agreed.

iv. Viv raised the matter of the grant that had previously been made to Ms Viv Taylor in respect of help towards the cost of a marquee for the recent Health and Well Being event. He explained that he understood that the company involved had made no charge for the marquee, and, also, that the Village Hall Committee had made no charge for the use of the hall for that event. The Clerk was asked to write to Ms Taylor to ascertain the use to which the grant had been put.

v. Dog fouling. Councillors had considered the email from Mr David Barwick regarding dog fouling in the village and his suggestion that households were leafleted as an awareness campaign. The view of Councillors was that leafleting was an over reaction to the problem, and that the placing of signs in appropriate places was the correct course of action. The Clerk said that one such sign had been placed by the occupier of 2 Afon View; that he would provide a sign for Mr Barwick; and that he would arrange placement of a sign at the entrance to the village hall car park and one other site.

vi. Signage for the public lavatory. Derrick explained that this discussion within the Parochial Church Council was ongoing.

#### 4. Planning.

There had been no comments from Councillors regarding planning application 19/0858/LBC (internal alterations at the Old Post Office).

The Clerk informed Councillors that he had received official notification of the change to the public footpath by the Old Rectory in Newchurch.

The Clerk asked Councillors if they wished to continue to receive Planning Decision Notices in Powys if there were none shown for this Community. Councillors indicated that they would wish to continue to receive them.

## 5. Finance.

- i. The current balance is £2676.
- ii. Councillors approved the payment of £178.30 to Upper Bridge Enterprises for the annual costs of the website, unchanged since 2018; £132.99 for the grant to the Gladestry Parent and Toddler Group; and £250.00 for the Clerk's quarterly salary.
- iii. A copy of the budgetary control sheet was issued with the agenda.

## 6. Correspondence.

The Clerk had received "Thank you" letters from Mr Graham Croose, on behalf of Newchurch Presbyterian Chapel; and from Mr Adrian Chambers, on behalf of St Mary's Church, Newchurch for the grants they had received

## 7. Business matters.

- i. Website maintenance. Councillors had been sent an email from Bob Terry, the website administrator, asking about who should take responsibility for weeding the website. Councillors agreed that the task should remain with Bob and the Clerk.
- ii. Champion Tree. Councillors had seen an email originating from The Woodland Trust, about a competition to nominate a local tree in need of care. Options were considered, but without finding one which would meet the criteria of the competition.
- iii. Viv raised the subject of the play area at the village hall and indicated that some of the equipment was in need of maintenance as it was becoming hazardous. The Clerk was asked to bring this to the attention of Powys CC with a view to obtaining the necessary work.

- iv. Councillors also raised the issue of maintenance work on ditches, verges and roads during the coming autumn/winter months. The Clerk was asked to make contact with Powys Highways to ask about forward work schedules, and to offer an input to those schedules by Councillors.
- v. Future meetings. After a brief discussion, it was agreed that future meetings would be held as per the current programme, is bi-monthly in September, November, January etc.

8. The next meeting would be held at 7.30pm on Monday 16 September 2019.

Signed

Dated