Gladestry Community Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 19 May 2014 in Gladestry Village Hall

Present

Mr Derrick Carrington (Chairman), Mr Viv Lloyd, Mrs Dianne Moore, Mrs Sue Croose, Mr Dan Cosgrove, Ms Jane Bisby, Ms Vanessa Bryson, and Mr Kenneth Waugh (clerk)

1. Apologies

Cllr Michael Jones

2. Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on 17 March 2014 were agreed and signed.

3. Matters Arising

Item 3 – Notice boards. Wayne Maddy has checked the Newchurch notice board and says it can be repaired and made good. Wayne is to be asked to undertake the necessary work and then invoice the C.C.

Temporary Speed Indicator. Sue has sent two e-mails to Powys asking for information regarding the indicator trial, but has not received any responses. Vanessa offered to pursue the matter.

4. Planning

The issue of water discharging from Yellow Jack Barn into the drains has been referred to Powys along with the speed indicator enquiry. Again, no response has been forthcoming. Any future problem with water discharge will be monitored and reported.

The blocked drain between the school and New Shop Cottage has been brought to the attention of Powys Highways.

5. Financial Report

One invoice has been received, relating to the school bench. A cheque was prepared and issued.

The Risk Assessment and Management document was reviewed as a result of the appointment of the new Clerk, and in relation to the annual audit. The document was signed off by the Chairman.

As noted in the minutes of the preceding Annual Meeting, the Accounting Statement for the BDO Auditors was discussed and section 2 of the statement was duly signed off.

6. Correspondence

The following e-mails have been received, copied to the Councillors, and mentioned at the meeting.

Payments by the Community Councils. This removes the requirement for payments to be made through two-signatory cheques by using, for example on-line banking.

Governance in Small Public Bodies. This concerned failings in the governance and financial arrangements in a particular Drainage Board and is relevant in the light of the Risk Assessment document reviewed earlier.

Access to Information on Community and Town Councils. There will be a requirement for C.C. to have websites; to publish notices and papers electronically; and to publish a register of members' interests electronically. G.C.C. has already undertaken most of these future commitments.

Survey of Remuneration. This concerns the question of remuneration for members of Community Councils. The view of the GCC is that they should not be remunerated; Derrick completed the survey document to reflect this, and returned it to the originator.

Other correspondence received relates to:

- -The Queen's Baton Relay, marking the run-up to the Commonwealth Games in July, will pass through Llandrindod Wells on 25 May and Machynlleth on 28 May.
- -The Powys County Council Disclosure and Barring Service (formerly CRB Checks).

7. A.O.B

The Chairman proposed, and Dan seconded, that a new laptop computer should be purchased for use by the Clerk as the current machine has reached the end of its economic life. The meeting agreed to the proposal.

8. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 16th July 2014 at 7.30pm. (TBC)