

ST. BRIDES MAJOR COMMUNITY COUNCIL
 MINUTES OF MEETING ON THE 13TH FEBRUARY, 2023
 AT ALL SAINTS CHURCH, SOUTHERNDOWN
 AT 7PM

PRESENT: Cllr. B. Lewis (Chairman), Cllrs. A. Parry, S. Roberts, M. Wynne Jones, A. James, S. Edwards, S. Evans, A. Morgan, E. Hayhurst, Vale Cllr. C.Stallard, PC Jamie Williamson and PC Stuart Elson.

1. **APOLOGIES** – Cllr. H. Rosenberg, R. Stephens
2. **POLICE REPORT** – There had been 2 crimes in the month:
 - Minor assault – teenagers
 - Graffiti at Ogmores Castle

There had also been 2 antisocial behaviour reports:

Car annoyance

Cannabis smoker

A drink driver had been arrested, car accidents, and old weapons have been found in the area.

Inspector Henderson, after his meeting with the Council have produced signage to be placed around the area stating that antisocial behaviour will not be tolerated.

The police are hoping that the reduction of the speed through Ogmores by Sea Village will work and prevent some accidents.

Praise was reported to PC Williamson regarding PCSO Angela Stone for the work she has carried out in Ogmores by Sea.

3. **REPRESENTATIVE OF TAFFS** – Marice Berterolli.

A background of TAFFS was given, and research has been undertaken as to trees that are suitable for growing in the area of Southerndown.

The land outside the boundary of the Church has been sought and agreed for a strip to be reserved for planting of bulbs in the Autumn of 2023.

The grant application to the Vale Council was agreed in December, 2022.

Aim – Flowers to be planted with meadow flower seeds which are being provided by the Vale Council, and also 500 coastal daffodils, grown in Swansea, are to be purchased and planted in the Autumn. Volunteers to help is required.

Unfortunately, spraying is still taking place.

Congratulations were given by the Councillors for the hard work having been undertaken, and a full discussion took place as to whether a blanket ban could be introduced in the area. This matter is to be raised in the March meeting.

4. MATTERS ARISING MINUTES 9th January, 2023

- Email to confirm Precept – Precept application sent and agreed.

Charges for Burial Ground in line with Church in Wales – Printed by Clerk and will be sent to Councillors

- Email to Vale Council re barrier and CCTV at Rivermouth car park – Replied received via Vale Councillor and will be covered in the report.
- Banner ordered – Awaiting delivery
- Email requesting a safety review on bus stop at Pelican Inn – Awaiting response from Vale Council
- Query life span of battery on defibrillator – Discussion held with supplier who has asked

5. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES 9th January, 2023 – Proposed and seconded as a true record.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

Request from Wick Young Farmers for a donation, who are representing Glamorgan in Wales final, towards the cost of transporting/performing in Bangor, North Wales.

“Test your Ticker” poster from Cymru Heart. Requesting advertising this test aimed at young people/sports persons. Also a donation towards the cost of this screening.

Email from Tomos Davies, from Cooke and Arkwright regarding the opening from Heol St. Bridget to playing field at the Sports Pavilion.

7. FINANCIAL REPORT AND UPDATE

OPENING BALANCE	£18,495.18
Payments made since last meeting	
Richard Gower	£ 160.00
Cowbridge Christmas Tree	£ 600.00
D. Brunsdon Salary	£ 389.15
Eon	£ 31.96
Eon	£ 31.88
Final Precept payment received 2022-2023	£ 8,500.00
TOTAL	£25,782.19
SAVING ACCOUNT	£16,778.22

PAYMENT REQUESTS

Clerk's salary	£ 341.10
Rent	£ 20.00
Telephone	£ 15.00
HMRC	£ 85.20
Clerk office expenses	£ 89.99

It was proposed and seconded that the above payments be made.

DONATION REQUESTS – Requests have been received from the following organisations.

Wick Young Farmers – Cllr. Allan Morgan declared an interest and left the meeting as he has family involved in the organisation. Local group in with members in all villages. Wick Young Farmers won the Glamorgan area and now has to preform this in Bangor, North Wales. Agreed £500 be donated.

Calon Heart – Request has been made to assist with the “Test my Ticker” campaign which is aimed at younger people to have an indepth heart test. They asked if the Council would be prepared to advertise this on their behalf by displaying the poster in noticeboards and sports facilities in the area. Agreed and again a donation of £500 agreed.

Cheques to be issued to Wick Young Farmers and Calon Heart

7.1 BUDGET REPORT - Cllr. Lewis reported that this is working within the agreed budget. It was also agreed a transfer be made to the savings account before the receipt of the 2023/2024 Precept is received. Agreed by the Councillors.

8. REPRESENTATIVE’S REPORT

8.1 BURIAL GROUND – The new stone has been laid around the graves into make this area more presentable.

8.2 TASK AND FINISH GROUP – No progress has been made at present, with no reply received from Emma Reed. Residents are asking, with the barrier still not operational, if the car park could be closed at night? The Clerk has been advised to email Emma Reed directly requesting an update.

Email to be sent to Emma Reed directly to her email address.

8.3 REPORT FROM SOUTHERNDOWN – Cllr. Evans reported there was nothing further to add.

8.4 REPORT FROM WILD OGMORE – Cllr. E. Hayhurst stated that further to the enthusiasm for the project in Southerndown, she would like to head a group in Ogmore by Sea, called Wild Ogmore.

It has three main objectives:

- Increase the biodiversity within the area and work with landowners.
- Stop spraying and mowing of the verges within the area by erecting signs requesting this.

Organising a search from the Land Registry Office as to the ownership of the verges.

The immediate outlay totals £475 and is broken down as:

- £40 for the Land Registry search
- £200 for signage
- £99 Audit on the biodiversity of the three villages
- Purchase of Collins Field Guidebooks which would cover wildflowers, birds and insects.

It was proposed and seconded that, on receipt of invoices this amount would be paid. Thanks was given to Cllr. Hayhurst for all the initial investigations.

8.5 REPORT FROM VALE COUNCILLORS –Vale Councillor Stallard stated she had no further information regarding the Riverside Car Park. She also agreed to approach the Vale Council regarding the mowing and spraying of the verges in the area.

- Vale Cllr. Stallard also reported that the possible transfer of the Pavilion at St. Brides Major is now being considered by the Cabinet of the Vale.
- Also advised that the urban clearance leading from Ogmores by Sea to Ogmores by Sea village was going ahead.
- The Vale Councillor was asked if another box of salt/gritting could be placed by the bus stop in order that this could be spread on the path between the bus stop and the school.
- It was also reported that the road surface leading to Heol yr Mynddyn was in a very poor condition.

9. REPORT ON BENCHES – Confirmation of the order has been received and delivery is due very shortly.

10. BATHING WATER REVIEW – No further progress is available at present, but this is being closely monitored.

11. CORONATION CELEBRATION – Nobody volunteered to organise an event. The Clerk has been requested to see if a new ring is available for the beacon and will report back in next month's meeting.

12. PLANNING –

APPROVALS

Application No. 2022/00017/FUL

Location: 8 Somerset View, Ogmores by Sea

Proposal: Demolition of existing conservatory. Erection of two storey extension to rear elevation. 30.01.2023

Application No. 2022/01238/FUL

Location: 4 Meadow Court, St. Brides Major

Proposal: Single storey rear extension
30.01.2023

Application No. 2022/01183/FUL

Location: Crafts by the Sea, Church Close, Ogmores by Sea

Proposal: Proposed loft conversion and single storey rear extension to existing craft centre
02.02.2023

NEW APPLICATIONS

Application No. 2023/00048/FUL (VI)

Location: 39 Marine Drive, Ogmores by Sea

Proposal: House remodelling. Reconfiguration of existing dormers and roof and general amendments to the ground floor.

Application No. 2023/00012/FUL (CR)

Location: St. Brides Major Church in Wales Primary School, Heol Yr Ysgol, St. Brides Major

Proposal: Proposed extension to existing school hall

Application No. 2022/01380/FUL (CR)

Location: White Rock, Craig yr Eos Avenue, Ogmore by Sea

Proposal: Variation of Conditions 1, 2, 4, 5 and 7 of planning permission 2016/00661/RES

Construction of ¾ bedroom detached dwelling with integral garage at Plot 2, Craig Yr Eos Avenue

Application No. 2022/01381/FUL (VI)

Location: 37 Crompton Way, Ogmore by Sea

Proposal: Small rear extension and proposed enclosed pergola garden room with very small front porch extension.

13. UPDATE ON SUB COMMITTEES

13.1 OGMORE BY SEA – A complaint has been received by a Councillor stating that the bus carrying children from the area, to Cowbridge Comprehensive School is leaving earlier than agreed and the bus is driven erratically. It was stated that this problem should be reported to the Head of the School and the Vale Council.

13.2 ST. BRIDES MAJOR – A request has been received from the new owners of the Spar that the Community Council send a letter to the Postmaster General to support his application to reopen the post office at the store. This was agreed by the Clerk and during the conversation, the Clerk asked if it would be possible for electric to be run from the shop to the defibrillator which at present, is in the bus shelter. This was agreed, and he stated that the frontage of the store was to be altered, and electricians would be working on it. A meeting is to be arranged between the owner and a representative of the Community Council.

Letter to be sent to Postmaster General.

14. QUESTIONS FOR THE CHAIR

A question was raised regarding the school governor at St. Brides Major Church in Wales School. This position is shared between St. Brides Major Community Council and Ewenny Community Council. The representative and term is unknown, the Clerk was asked to write to the Chair of Governors to fine this out.

Two issues were raised regarding Slon Lane, Ogmore by Sea.

- A lamp post has live cable which on the surface of the ground, and light not working.
- Due to damage on the highway, slurry is running down Slon Lane collecting at the bottom of the hill outside the Village Hall. Letter to be sent to Highways and Lighting Department.

Clerk to write to Chair of Governor

Letter to be sent to Vale Highways and Lighting Department reporting this.

15. DATE OF NEXT MEETING 13th March, 2023

Meeting closed at 9.16pm