Felinfach Community Council

Regular meeting held

on Tuesday 8th December 2020 6.30pm

at Maes-y-Bellan Chapel

Present: R. Carrotte(Chairman) G.Jones, G,Price, T.Colbert, A.Lawrence,

Cllr Roger Wiliams C. Morgan I. Robinson, D.Rowlands (Clerk)

Apologies – J.Pryce, S,Brown

Declaration of interest – None

Any other Business - Road improvements at Pont-y-Bat

Cost of electricity consumed at Maes-y-Bellan Chapel

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING HELD ON Tuesday 10th November 2020 – It was RESOLVED that the minutes be approved as a correct record.

Actions

3.2 – Tenders for Grass Cutting (Llandefalle & Llanfilo Churchyards) Clerk updated the Council on the tenders received, with plans to meet with another contractor next week, considering the tenders Cllr Robinson proposed and seconded by Mr Chairman that the specification be reduced to eight cuts per growing season, Clerk to contact contractors.

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3.3 – Tech Security (e-mail scams) – Led by Cllr Robinson – PCSO Emma Jackson attended the meeting and gave a talk on cybercrime, keeping safe on-line and the latest scams circulating. PCSO Jackson explained that they are in the process of producing a stay safe leaflet that will be circulated in the local area to raise awareness to residents.

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2. Planning

Application Reference: 20/1865/HH Grid Reference: E:311793 N: 233211Proposal: Erection of an extension Site Address: Upper Penlan , Llanfilo, Brecon, Powys LD3 0RE – The Planning committee examined application and plans and found no reason for object.

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Correspondence -

3.1 – Ash Trees in Llandefalle – Clerk referred this matter to next months meeting as quotations have not been received.

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3.2 – Jehovah’s information – Clerk shared the information received.

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Reports – No Reports

Superfast Broadband – Cllr Robinson requested the help of Cllr Morgan to compile a list of addresses in the three wards to be able to target potential applicants for a superfast broadband scheme.

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County Councillor Report.- No report by Councillor Williams

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Finance

6.1 Current Account

Statement dated: 30th Oct - 1st Dec 2020

Previous Balance 2109.21

Withdrawn 100.00

Income 270.00

New Balance 2279.21

* Expenditure: Payments – Marie Curie 50.00

Welsh air Ambulance 50.00

Income : J.T.Davies 270.00

Forthcoming payments: OTM Groundcare 816.00

* Reserve Account - 5th Oct – 4th Dec 2020
* Previous Balance 309.05
* Interest 0.01 309.06
* Play Park Account
* Balance on 7th Nov 2019 – 10th Nov 2020 153.24
* Withdrawn 0.00
* Paid in 0.00
* New Balance 153.24
* Budget Precept

The Clerk updated full Council on the outcome of the Finance Committee meeting held on 4th December 2020 there has been a tremendous increase in the amount of precept required 2021-2022 due to lack of income throughout 2020 and the increase in grass cutting and maintenance to the Churchyards. The Council were unable to approve the precept due to ongoing work regarding contracts, Precept to be approved at next meeting.

* 1. Financial Regulations are being considered with completions and approval next meeting.One legal requirement is that on a regular basis, at least once in each quarter, and at each financial year end, a member other than the Chairman [or a cheque signatory] shall be appointed to verify bank reconciliations (for all accounts) produced by the RFO. The member shall sign the reconciliations and the original bank statements (or similar document) as evidence of verification. This activity shall on conclusion be reported, including any exceptions, to and noted by the Council [Finance Committee]. Mr chairman proposed Cllr Pryce be nominated to carry out the work, Clerk to approach Cllr Pryce.
* Section 137 expenditure :limit for 2020-2021, Clerk advised Council that the amount per elector has increased by 1.1% and that the amount per elector has increased to £8.41.

Point of Interest

Clerk received Marie Curie Thank you letter for donation.

Cllr Colbert asked if the Clerk had received any communication from Mid & West Wales Trunk Road regarding the proposed development at Pont-y-Bat, Clerk advised that she had not received a reply to the last e-mail sent to Richard Fenton. Will chase up.

Councillor Morgan raised the cost of electricity consumed in Maes-y-Bellan Chapel which has been used to hold meeting since the start of the pandemic. Cllr Morgan will monitor the situation. Clerk proposed that possibly some meetings could be held by telephone conferencing when the agenda is small, and no decisions need to be voted on.

Chairman’s Business – Date of next meeting was arranged for 12th January 2021

The Meeting concluded at 7.50pm.

Chairman…………………………………

Date……………………