Felinfach Community Council

Minutes of Regular meeting held at Llanfilo Old School

On Tuesday 7th January 2020 6.30pm

Present: J Pryce(Chairman) S. Brown, A. Lawrence, I.Robinson

G. Price, T. Colbert C.C Roger Williams, D. Rowlands (Clerk)

Apologies. C.Morgan, G.Jones, R.Carrotte.

**Any other business for agenda** - Revised quote for Llanfilo Churchyard Path - In the interest of the Council this item was added to the agenda by the Chairman, as a resolution could be made for completion of work in this financial year.

Declaration of interest – None.

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING HELD ON 12th December 2019

RESOLVED that: The minutes be approved as a correct record.

Actions

3.1 (Aug) Llandefalle Trees - Clerk reported that Mr Huw Morris had been contacted to advise that he has been awarded the contract to carry out work on the Yew Trees, He has advised that work will commence circa 13th January 2020, Clerk will meet Mr Morris on site to arrange distribution of branches to make insect hotels.

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3.3(Nov) – Salt Box & Road maintenance. – Clerk reported that a Salt box have been positioned on Tylecrwn Road and The Cefn Corner, with potholes being repaired along from Pwll Cwrw, even though many more have appeared since the wet weather, Clerk to contact Powys Highways regarding this also to request a salt box for Tredurn Road.

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3.1– Section 6 Biodiversity and Ecosystems.- Clerk reported that the Section 6 Biodiversity & Ecosystem report has been published on the website and e-mailed to the Welsh Government.

The Council selected 20 trees to be purchased to replace the seven felled in Llanfilo Churchyard and Felinfach Play Area, clerk to place order for Trees, Guards, & Stakes. \_\_\_\_

Planning

2.1 - 19/1946/AGR – Llwyncelyn Farm, Llandefalle, Brecon. Erection of a portal building to cover manure store – No application has been received by the Council

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Correspondence

3.1 – Signing of Code of Conduct for Councillors – It was resolved that the Council Members present agreed to the rules & regulations set out in the code of conduct, signatures were obtained to cover 2020-2021.

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3.2 - Risk Assessment for Property/ Policy – The risk Assessment policy was validated for 2020-2021 with one change to the level being reduced to LOW for the insurance as the insurance policy is revised yearly.

Property risk assessments were assigned to Councillors & Clerk to be completed by next meeting.

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3.3 – Nominations for person to carry out Internal Audit – Finance Committee discussed the position of Internal Auditor at a previous meeting, Full Council resolved that Ms Zoe Mathias would continue to carry out the work, letter of engagement will be sent by Clerk.

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3.4 - Bus Shelter & Kiosk Maintenance – It was agreed that this matter would be postponed until the risk assessments have been completed which will give a clearer indication of work that needs to be carried out. \_\_\_\_

3.5 - Improvement to T4 & T14 bus infrastructure. – Powys County Council have been awarded additional funding to improve the infrastructure along the T4 & T14 bus routes which include Felinfach with views to install electronic displays, all Council Members agreed that this would be a significant improvement and were all in favour of giving support to the project. Clerk to respond to Rosie Stephens, Corporate Transport Co-ordinator.

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3.6 – Renewal of Grass Cutting Contract – Clerk obtained three quotations for the contract covering 2020-2021.It was resolved by the Council that OTM Garden Groundworks & Tree Surgery were the preferred contractor, Clerk to advise unsuccessful Contractors of the decision.

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3.7 – (added) Llanfilo Churchyard Path – Clerk had received a revised quotation from Mr Ian Bufton for the pathway, as it is nearly a year since the quotation was excepted there has been an increase in material etc. It was resolved by the Council that the increase was acceptable. Clerk to instruct Mr Bufton to proceed.

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4.1 – Reports – Cllr Colbert reported on the update received from Transport – Network Management Division regarding the junctions at Pontybat.

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5.1 - County Councillor Report – No report given.

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6.1 Current Account

Statement dated 1st December 2019 – 31st December 2019

Previous Balance 7703.95

Income 3000.00

Withdrawn 0.00

New Balance 10,703.95

Income

Precept 3000.00

Payments

None

Pending Expenditure

None

Reserve Account

Statement Date: 5th Nov 2019 – 5th December 2019

Balance: 408.57

Withdrawn 0.00

Income 0.00

Interest 0-06

New Balance 408.63

Play Park Account

Statement 7th Nov 2019 – Annual Statement

Balance Previous 153.24

Withdrawn 0.00

Paid in 0.00

New Balance 153.24

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6.2 Financial Regulations – It was resolved that the Financial regulations were adopted by full Council.

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6.3 - External Audit

The new version of the Practitioner’s Guide to Governance and Accountability had recently been published and it was noted that the thematic part of the external audit for 2019/20 would be around payment arrangements \_\_\_\_

Points of Interest

Felinfach Park Gate Posts – Clerk received quotation for the work to be carried out in the park, the item will be presented to the Council at the next meeting for agreement by full Council.

VE Day Celebrations – The Council felt that the Communities will be organising events to cover the celebration individually within the ward

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Chairman’s Business.

Date of next regular meeting has been arranged for Tuesday 11th February 2020 at Llanfilo Old School at 6.30pm

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