**CAREW    COMMUNITY    COUNCIL**

Minutes of the meeting of Carew Community Council held on Wednesday 9th November 2023 at 7 pm in Committee Room,   Carew Memorial Hall.

Present:                               Cllr Marina Griffiths (Chair)                      County Councillor Vanessa Thomas

                                                Cllr Madeleine Bland                               Cllr Marcia Allen

                                                Cllr Trevor Goodman

In Attendance:                  PCSO  Emma Hayward

Apologies for absence:   Cllr Sarah Benbow

**Minutes of the last meeting**:     Minutes of the last meeting previously circulated were agreed as a true record and duly signed.

**Declaration of Interests  in respect of the business to be transacted:**  Councillors noted this addition to the Agenda and Cllr Goodman and Cllr Griffiths declared interests to the forthcoming request for donation from Carew Senior Citizens Christmas dinner committee.

It was also resolved to compile a Register of Interest for Community Councillors

**Matters Arising**:

Website with PCC -   Chair outlined the  documents on other Community Councils’  websites on PCC generic websites.    Clerk and Chair to liaise with what needs to be added.

**Play Area In Carew:** Repainting did not take place by Probation Service on the Carew Play area on 5th November due to the weather   - hopefully 19th November will be the next date.

Wicksteed to be contacted to remove the fences.   Cllr Goodman suggested some ground work that could be done to help dissipate the rain water on the soggy ground.  Cllr Goodman will contact Councillors to arrange a date and time for this.

**Planning** -  23/0441/PA  Change of use from Agricultural to Equestrian including erection of stables and alterations/extension to existing farmhouse with conversion to Family Annexe -  The Croft, Redberth, Tenby   SA70 8RW.    Councillors noted that this application has been conditionally approved by PCC.

**Budget and Financial  Review** -  Suggestions made to contact local supermarkets regarding donations towards the Lantern Procession and Senior citizens Christmas Dinner.

Clerk distributed  additional breakdown on the spending up until the next Precept and the financial situation.

Cllr Allen expressed concern at the financial situation at present until the roundabout is paid for and the next Precept received and all present concurred  and agreed  at the  need for stringent measures in future.

**Lantern Procession Saturday 16th December**

Cllr Allen distributed the posters from Sageston School and a winner was chosen.  Cllr Allen will give the £10 voucher to the Head Teacher to give to the pupil.

Cllr Benbow had reported that the circus skills/sports would not now be able to attend the event.    After discussion it was agreed to do “Pin the Tail on the Donkey” and Cllr Bland kindly agreed to make posters.   Cllr Allen agreed to contact  “The Balloon Man”.    PCSO Emma Hayward  will help with the marshalling as she is on duty that night and be on site for the event in the Hall.   Chair reported that Mr Hosker-Hicks will provide vehicle transport for Santa.   Help in the form of decorations and lights for the vehicle would be gratefully received.

**Correspondence:**

Letter read out from Chair of Carew Senior Citizens Committee.     Cllr Goodman  and Cllr Griffiths declared interests and withdrew from discussion on this matter.  Councillors discussed the financial stringencies in existence but nevertheless it was resolved to donate £350 as last year to the event – proposed by County Councillor Thomas and seconded by Cllr Bland .

Previously circulated to Councillors:

* School Council Minutes
* Review of Polling Stations
* Working Better Together 28th November – link to Teams meeting
* IRPW = Community and Town Councils – Councillors Allowances on Homeworking and consumables.
* OVW Job Vacancy – Governance and Policy Practice Development Officer
* Welsh Government job vacancy -  Deputy Interim Environmental Protection Assessor for Wales
* Information from OVW  Utility Aid
* Training Dates from OVW  in new format
* Strategic Equality Plan 2024-28 from Hywel Dda University Health Board
* Community Engagement summit – SLCC
* Consultation Draft Service 2040 plan – Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Service.
* Review of Community Boundary Arrangements  -  Agenda Item for next meeting.

Current account Balance  £11121.66     Business Account £752.14  -  Four thousand pounds transferred to current account.

Invoices for payment -

* Hall Fees  - £255
* Groundsman final invoice for this season -  £420  -  It was resolved by all present that these invoices be paid.
* Letter from Carew Senior Citizens Committee requesting a donation towards the cost of putting on the event - this year 9th December 2023. As stated above Cllrs Griffiths and Goodman declared an interest and withdrew from discussion.

Clerks Salary  paid by standing order  £222.55      West Wales Systems  for WiFi  £48.52 paid by direct debit.

**County Councillors Report**

County Councillor Thomas had previously circulated to Councillors the National Park statement on Carew Newton Quarry for information.

She had also been in communication with Dwr Cymru and had provided the Clerk with contact details regarding the damaged fence on the Milton Marsh Walk.

County Councillor Thomas to liaise with PCSO  Emma Hayward with regard to speeding along Hays Lane and ways to prevent this.

She also reported that the next round of Enhancing Pembrokeshire grants are now open  and Expressions of Interests in the first instance to the usual contact at PCC.

**Community Council Christmas Dinner**

It was agreed by all present that this be deferred until January and the date chosen is Friday 5th January 2024 6.30 for 7 pm in Carew Inn.

**Date and time of next meeting**

The next meeting of Carew Community Council will be on Wednesday 13th December 2023 at 7 pm in the Committee Room of Carew Memorial Hall

Chair thanked all for coming and declared the meeting closed.

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**A G E N D A**

1. Apologies for absence
2. Hybrid remote  attendees
3. Declaration of Interests
4. Minutes of the November meeting
5. Matters Arising  - including update on Carew Play Area payments.
6. Planning – see below
7. Closure of Carew Toilets
8. War Memorial at Carew – letter awaited.
9. Community Council “Surgeries”
10. Review of Community Council Boundary arrangements
11. Lantern procession  Saturday 16th December.
12. Update on Senior Citizens Christmas Dinner held on Saturday 9th December.
13. Correspondence
14. County Councillors Report
15. “What’s Been Happening” General discussion and items for agenda for next meeting
16. Date and time of next meeting -  Wednesday 10th January 2024   at 7 pm in the Committee Room of Carew Memorial Hall.

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Note   - Community Council Dinner  Friday 5th January  2024  6.30 for 7 pm

**Decision - 23/0463/PA** -

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| Alterations to the rear boundary fence |
| 54, Cornfields Walk, SAGESTON, Tenby, Pembrokeshire, SA70 8DS - conditionally approved by PCC  Decision: 23/0471/PA - Update existing Velux windows and add 4 more – 2 Cheriton Row, Carew Cheriton. Conditionally approved by PCC |

**NEW - 23/0683/PA**

**Retention of seasonal wedding events venue with the siting of a Tipi and formation of an ancillary parking area.**

**Land adjacent to Redberth Gardens, Redberth, Tenby, Pembrokeshire, SA70 8RP**

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| NEW - PCNPA - **NP/23/0577/FUL** |
| **The erection of a single-storey oak framed and timber clad outbuilding to replace an existing timber outbuilding. Curlews Reach, West Williamston, Kilgetty,** |
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