

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF EAST WILLIAMSTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> OCTOBER 2024 AT THE EAST WILLIAMSTON COMMUNITY HALL AT 7.00PM**

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**PRESENT:** Cllr P Strydom (Chair)  
Cllr C Hopkinson  
Cllr D McIntosh  
Cllr I Wilkinson  
Cllr J Williams

**APOLOGIES:** Cllr R Day  
Cllr C Perry

The Clerk was in attendance (Mrs J Clark-Davies)

**111/24      DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

**112/24      MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2024 were proposed and seconded and agreed as a true record apart from Minute 103/24 regarding the quote for materials should read £1,250.00 for materials and installation £2,750.00.

**113/24      MATTERS ARISING**

The following matters were raised:

- a) Minute 102/24 The grant application for a woodchipper was not successful.
- b) Minute 101/24 The Clerk advised that the surplus bank accounts will be deleted at the end of March 2025 ready for the new financial year.
- c) Minute 107/24 Thanks given to Cllr D McIntosh for preparing the letter to a local businessman.
- d) Minute 106/24 The high-risk item at EW play area has been removed.
- e) Minute 109/24 c) PCC are supplying the pipe and other costs are £150 for machine work and £50 for stone. Awaiting a decision from East Williamston Community & Hall Association before moving forward.
- f) Minute 109/24d) Members long term absence from meetings. It was agreed that the clerk to contact the member to explain the situation.

**114/24      PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

No public present

**115/24      PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The following planning application had been received:

- a) 24/0554/PA: demolition of existing flat roof sgl storey office and workshop. Construction of new steel frame building to include office facilities and car workshop/showroom and car wash bay at Ashlea, Broadmoor, SA68 0RW – **no comment.**

\*Cllr C Hopkinson declared a personal interest in this application as his son is a direct neighbour.

**116/24**      **UPDATE ON ACCOUNTS**

The following information was circulated:

- a) Bank Account Reconciliations Summary showing a balance of £24,327.95 in the Current Acct, £3,198.63 in the Deposit Acct, £14,546.19 in the Parks account and £5,541.56 in the Jubilee Park Acct.
- b) The Financial Statement – Cashbook showing income of £30,167.72 (net) and expenditure of £17,407.14 (net).
- c) The Financial Budget Comparison showing the Budget set, the actual income and expenditure figures and the balance remaining under each heading.

**RESOLVED:**              **That the above financial information be accepted.**

**117/24**      **ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

The following accounts were approved for payment:

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| a) Mrs J Clark-Davies – Oct salary | £289.60 |
| b) PAYE for Oct                    | £72.40  |
| c) Google monthly subscription     | £1.59   |

It was also agreed to make a donation to the Royal British Legion of £25.00.

**118/24**      **CELEBRATION OF VE DAY 2025**

An invitation had been received to organize events etc for VE Day in 2025, however it was agreed that the VE Day flag would be flown on the village flagpole.

**RESOLVED:**              **That the VE day flag be flown in the village.**

**119/24**      **TO CONSIDER QUOTE FROM JACS FOR VILLAGE GATEWAYS**

It was agreed that the cost of these items was too expensive and that it was possible to manufacture something similar for a lot less cost.

**RESOLVED:**              **That a sum for Village Gateways not be included in the budget for 2025-26.**

**120/24**      **TO DISCUSS QUOTE FROM EASY WEBSITES**

A quote of £250 had been received from Easy Websites for the production of a bespoke and fully responsive website plus £30.80 monthly management fee. Agreed to accept quote but to request that we retain our existing email address if possible.

**RESOLVED:**              **That this quote be accepted.**

**120/24**      **PLAY AREA INSPECTION REPORTS**

The play area inspection reports had been received and circulated. There was only one High Risk item on the swings at JP. Cllr IW will inspect and decide on a course of action to make it safe.

Members were advised that the application to PCC for funding Pentlepoir Phase -I replacement of fencing and play area equipment is almost ready for submission.

**121/24**      **CORRESPONDENCE**

The following correspondence had been received:

- a) OVW Free community Orchard Package - noted
- b) OVW Digital Community of Practice – noted.
- c) Dyfed Powys Police & Crime Panel – 2025 Police & Crime Plan - noted
- d) Pembs CAB – letter requesting donation – consider in March 2025.
- e) Dyfed Powys Police Neighbourhood Watch – request for funding.
- f) OVW – launch of consultation on the role, governance and accountability of the town and community sector – noted.
- g) OVW – Infrastructure (Wales) Act 2024- publication of consultation paper – noted.
- h) OVW Training sessions for Oct to Dec – noted.
- i) PCC’s LDP 2 Deposit Plan Briefing Session – noted.
- j) Senedd Wales – Scrutiny of the Welsh Govt Draft Budget 2025-26 – noted.
- k) OVW Community Warm Spaces Fund Closes 4<sup>th</sup> Oct 2024 – noted.

**122/24**      **REPORT OF CTY CLLR JACOB WILLIAMS**

The following report was submitted:

Cllr Williams referred to correspondence he had received raising concerns over the poor standard of driving of some traffic on Clayford Road, including its use by unsuitably large vehicles. This was part of long-running concerns about inconsiderate drivers on this narrow road which have been exacerbated since the Pentlepoir main road had been downgraded to 20mph. Whilst it was very difficult to see what could be done about it, since the road was a highway without any restrictions, the

resident suggested that there may be scope to improve the signage at each end of Clayford Road, which warns that it is unsuitable for long vehicles. Cllr Williams stated that one measure some residents would like to see, for Clayford Road to be made access-only, was unable to be considered as it would not conform to highway standards and, having been consulted previously, the police made representations that they would object to such a proposal on the basis that it would not be policeable.

**123/24**      **ITEMS OF BUSINESS FROM MEMBERS**

Nothing to report.

**124/24**      **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2024 at 7.00pm.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm.

Signed.....Chair.....Date

Signed.....Clerk