

Ilston Community Council

Minutes of Meeting held on 27th November 2019

At a meeting of the Ilston Community Council held at Penmaen and Nicholaston Parish Hall on Wednesday, 27th November 2019

Present: Councillors Mrs. A. Elliott, D. Ponting, Mrs. F. Owen-John, Mrs. J.A Griffiths, V. Jones, J. Howells, R. Church.

In the Chair: Councillor : Mrs. A. Elliott.

1. **Apologies for Absence.**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors N. Hollett, Dr. J. Kingham and Mrs. C. Grove

In the absence of the clerk, Councillor F. Owen-John agreed to take the minutes.

2. **Personal Interests.** None declared.

3.. **Minutes.**

The minutes of the meeting held on 30th October 2019 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

4.. **Matters Arising.**

On 4(12/2A) Lane from Bryn Afel to Ilston It was reported that the road had been cleared of growth but the surface is still very rough. Continue to monitor.

On45(12e) Asset Transfer of land in Lunnon and Penmaen. Councillor Ponting reported he had not yet written to the residents. It was agreed he would write to Miss Sarah Llewellyn who wrote the original letter to the Council. Action: DP

On 4 (12b) Lunnon Hill. The sides of the road on Lunnon Hill are still a problem, and two more vehicles have had tyre blow outs. It was suggested that these should be claimed from the Council. Councillor Mrs Griffiths agreed to write to the Council again. Action: JG.

On 4.(12a) Penmaen Hill Accidents. The Chairman has e-mailed the Council but still no response from the Council.

On 12. Any other business. Large Vehicles and Temporary Traffic Lights. Still waiting to hear from "Jeff"Green who has been e-mailed again with copies to Nigel Fitzgerald.

Cutting grass verges from Lunnon to Common. Councillor Mrs Owen-John reported that a letter of thanks had been sent to Mr. Peter Mabbett and a copy of the letter was handed to the Chairman to put on file.

On.5. Refuse Collections Three Cliffs. Councillor D. Ponting reported that situation was not a problem in the winter. The situation would continue to be monitored.

On 8. Financial Statement. The invoice received for the Sunday Swansea Bus Service for £1,100.00 has now been paid.

On 10..Correspondence.

b) Llanrhidian Lower: Bridge at Llythred No further information.

c) Up turn in Crime. It was reported that Councillor Ponting and Councillor V Jones are points of contact with the police concerning crime in the area. Several notifications of crime have been reported and passed on to Councillors.

On 11..Any Other Business

1. Boundaries Commission. Councillor Church reported that the proposal to put Ilston with Pennard and Kittle Ward has now gone forward. There may be a review and we may ask to go on a register for future consultation. Councillor Church will do this. Action RC
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3. Trail Bikes: After the September meeting Councillor Kingham had sent the Chairman the photos that he had sent on to the police.
- 12 The Clerk. The Chairman reported that the Clerk's situation would be reviewed in the second week of January. Councillor Church has someone from the Information Centre in Parkmill who can do minutes and e-mails at a cost of £75 a month.

On 6. Planning Applications. Application 2019/2052 The View Penmaen has been passed with the condition that screening be put up between them and the dwelling below them. Webbs Field. Councillor Ponting has written to two residents of Ilston who had concerns. It was agreed to keep monitoring the situation.

5. Reports from Members. The only report was as above re Boundaries Commission.

6. Planning Applications: None reported this month but Councillor Jones reported that work was taking place on an extension to No 3 Lunnon Close. There was no problem relating to this work.

7. Rural Development Partnership. The applications put forward are not in the next round of funding ie Knot weed in Ilston Valley, speed indicators and bus shelter at Perriswood. As far as the Knot weed control is concerned it was suggested that the land owners be approached, if not already. Their agent Ross Williams in Swansea should be approached. Councillor Church will check with the Council Knotweed officer to find out what they are doing to find funding before the Chairman contacts the land agent for Coombe Tennant Estates to ask them if the land owners would contribute towards control measures.

8. Financial Statements It was reported that the balance on the current account is £2,895.56 and on the deposit account £3,334.90. Payment had been made to the Clerk October payment £191 full pay for the month. In November and December she will be on half pay. HMRC £4.30, the Sunday bus £1,100. There is an invoice from the Auditors for £264.20 which has to be paid by 17th December. It was agreed to make payment and it was agreed to pay an invoice for the hire of Penmaen Hall for 3months at £52.80.

9. Correspondence. All relevant correspondence had been e-mailed to Councillors. Of note were: Training at Neath on 5th December on Devolution of Services/Community Asset Transfer 6.30 - 9.00.

Renewal of Bus pass procedure.

AONB Steering Group meeting on 2nd December

The TV programme The Repair Shop information on how to get in touch.

Lord Mayor's Carol Service at St. Mary's Church Swansea on 19th December. It was suggested that Councillor Hollett may be interested in taking the tickets.

10. Any other Business Discussion took place as to whether a contribution could be made to Knotweed control and it was agreed that a minimum of £500 could be made from our reserves. It was also discussed as to contributions which could be made towards Speed Warning system and the bus shelter at Perriswood. Councillor Church reported he was getting some prices for speed indicators which need to be near a power supply as solar does not work in Parkmill. Councillor Mrs. Owen-John said that the Council were supposed to be coming back with a price for up grading the shelter. It was agreed to chase this up in January.

Consideration of Precept and budget for 2020. Councillor Mrs. Owen-John suggested that this was usually considered at this time of the year and it was established that this was the case.

After discussion it was agreed that the Chairman would confirm with The Clerk as to when the figures had to be in to the Council. A schedule would have to be prepared and discussed and it may be necessary to have a special meeting to consider this if the January meeting would be too late.

Action: AE

Councillor Jones reported that Mr. Paul Beynon was still not happy about the bollards across his access to pathway. It was agreed that after the correspondence with Chris Dale there is no more this Council can do. Mr. Beynon needs to submit more evidence to Mr. Dale.

The Chairman thanked Mrs. Owen-John for taking the Minutes over the last 3 meetings and wished everyone a happy Christmas.

. **Date of next meeting.** Wednesday, 29th January at 7.30 pm.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.45 p.m.

Chairman.