

**Martletwy Community Council**

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**Minutes of an Ordinary meeting of Martletwy Community Council  
held on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at Lawrenny Village Hall at 7.30pm**

**Present:** David Cole (Chairman); Michael Carpenter (Vice Chairman); Jason Crowther, Phil Davies, Philip Eynon, (Councillors); Cty Councillor Clements; L Lesnianski (Clerk)

**Apologies:** None

**18/132 Minutes of previous meeting:** Cty Cllr Clements pointed out her name was missing from those present, although she was referred to several times in the minutes. A handwritten change was made to the minutes. They were unanimously approved. Signed by Chairman.

**18/133 Matters arising:**

1. Martletwy History Board: Clerk reported email correspondence with Marten Lewis, Head of Community and Sustainable Development at Bluestone. Confirmed he had offered to meet with councillors to discuss the options regarding possible grant funding for the history boards. Councillors were pleased with this response. Clerk to arrange meeting.

2. Casual Vacancy: Clerk reported Co-option Notice has been displayed in Community Noticeboards. It will expire 14 days after it was displayed. Clerk confirmed the three original interested parties had been contacted to confirm they do not need to re-apply. Clerk will contact councillors once the notice has expired and will bring a list of prospective candidates for co-opted Councillor to next meeting.

3. Wales CHC – Shaping our Priorities 2019/20 Councillors confirmed they had received the document emailed to them. No comments were put forward.

**18/134 Planning**

1. Applications Received: None Received.

2. Notification Received:

*i. 18/090/CL. Snooty Fox, Cott Lane, SA67 8AD.* Certificate of Lawful Use. Clerk presented a copy of the Certificate of Lawful Use issued for the residential property at the Snooty Fox. Clerk reminded councillors that councils are not consultees for Certificate of Lawful Use application.

*ii. 18/0842/PA. Weston Fields, Martletwy, SA67 8AS.* Clerk presented a copy of the Decision Notice. Application approved.

3. Other Matters:

*i. PCC. Replacement Local Development Plan Consultation & Martletwy Candidate Sites.* Clerk confirmed councillors comments had been submitted and an automatic acknowledge was received.

*ii. PCNP. Local Development Plan.* Councillors confirmed they were in receipt of the emailed documentation. No comments were put forward.

*iii. Planning Responses.* Clerk requested going forward, Cllr Davies assist with the more complicated planning responses. Unanimously agreed.

**18/135: Highway Matters**

1. Garron Pill, Tidal Road Signage: Cty Cllr Clements reported she had raised the possibility of having a non-standard “tidal flooding” sign added to existing signage. PCC’s response is that it does not meet with standard signage policy.

2. Whitlow Hill Hedge cutting: Clerk reported hedge cutting detritus had been reported to PCC and road sweeper requested. No response had been received. Further information indicates the operative of the hedge cutter had been approached to tidy the road and was engaging a private road sweeper. Cty Cllr Clements had also intervened and met with the operative. Councillors are hopeful this issue will be resolved swiftly. The need for hedge cutting operatives to take responsibility for the detritus left by their machines was re-addressed. Councillors will remain vigilant as the end of hedge cutting season approaches.

3. Cllr Davies reported

*a. Vallen.* Repeated concerns for pothole at entrance.

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*b. Watery Gates.* Considerable flooding. Suggested may be an obstruction. Drains need unblocking. Might need a surface water gauge as he has witnessed a number of vehicles get into difficulty.  
*c. Martletwy Cross.* Pot hole in the surface at the corner in the direction of Canaston bowl.  
4. Cllr Carpenter raised a highway issue near to *Stangs Farm*. Big pothole needs remedial work.  
5. Grit Bins: Clerk reported email correspondence received from a resident at Coedcanlas requesting access to the salt in the grit bin. Cllr Eynon confirmed the code to the padlock. Clerk will respond to resident accordingly. \_

**18/136: Finances:**

*a. Final Budget 2019/20.* Following the setting of the budget for the financial year 2019/20 at the previous meeting, Clerk presented the final printed budget. Chairman Cole proposed the budget be adopted for the financial year 2019/20. Cllr Eynon seconded the proposal. Passed unanimously. Chairman Cole signed and dated the budget for the records.

*b. IRPW Report. Payments to Councillors* Clerk reported the matter of payments to Councillors, both annual and for travel expenses, must be discussed and agreed on at the March meeting, and then adopted at the AGM. Clerk to forward report to all members of the council. Carry forward to March.

*c. Precept 2019/20* Clerk reported the Precept for for 2019/20 had been forwarded to PCC and an acknowledgement had been received on 9<sup>th</sup> January.

**18/137: Councillor/Clerk Training.**

*One Voice Wales.* Clerk confirmed there was a training session on “Local Government Finance” available in Fishguard on 20<sup>th</sup> February. No one available to attend.

**18/138: Meetings Attended by Community Councillors/Clerk.** Cllr Carpenter reported on the One Voice Wales, Area Committee Meeting. Much of the meeting focused on the IRPW Report (as mentioned above 18/136/b). Cllr Carpenter distributed a copy of the recommendations to IRPW with regard to Town and Community Councils. This had been presented to a minister, however with the recent reshuffle it has now been presented again, to Ms Julie James, Minister for Local Government. They are awaiting response. Cllr Carpenter reported PCC are still keen to push forward with Charter. The local authority apparently chose not to recognise One Voice Wales as a relevant body. Clerk suggested a Memorandum of Understanding was established between the local authority and One Voice Wales. It was agreed the Community Council would write to both PCC and Julie James in this regard.

**18/139: Annual General Meeting.**

Clerk asked Council to choose a date and venue for the Annual General Meeting. It was unanimously agreed the meeting should be held at 7pm, prior to the Ordinary Meeting, on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2019.

**140: Correspondence Received:**

*a. Planed – European Rural Parliament Survey.* Clerk presented correspondence to Council. No further action.

*b. Planed – Community Forum Network Event, Building Community Wealth – 13<sup>th</sup> February ‘19.* Clerk presented correspondence. No one available to attend event.

*c. Citizens Advice – Impact Report.* Clerk presented correspondence. No further action.

*d. Planning Aid Wales – Farming and the Planning System.* Clerk presented invitation to attend seminar with costs. No Councillor available to attend.

*e. One Voice Wales – Water Bills.* Clerk presented correspondence to Council. No further action at this time.

*f. Police and Crime Commissioner - Newsletter.* Clerk presented correspondence to Council. No further action.

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*g. One Voice Wales – Chairman's Invite to Buckingham Palace.* Clerk confirmed Chairman's name was in the drawer for tickets to attend a Summer Garden Party at Buckingham Palace.

*h. Correspondence from Resident.* Clerk presented copy correspondence from resident of Martletwy with PCC regarding inclusion in LDP. Correspondence noted.

**18/141: Communication:** Chairman Cole reported he had been in contact with the Chairman of the LMN2000 group regarding Pembrokeshire Community Land Trust with regard meeting prior to the March Ordinary meeting. Chairman Cole to arrange.

**18/142: Date of Next Meeting.** Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2019. Venue: Lawrenny Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Meeting declared closed at 9.00pm.

Signed:  Date: 4<sup>th</sup> March 2019