St Florence Community Council

Minutes of Meeting held on Monday 13th September 2021

St Florence Village Hall - 7.30pm - 9pm

Those present: Sian Hughes (Chair), Rachel Ruff (Clerk), Robert Davies, Louise Cross, Cllr P Kidney

1.Apologies: Jeff Evans, Hugh Morgan, Margaret Littler, Cllr Del Evans, Andrew Miles

In attendance: Rachel Ruff (Clerk and minute taker).

Public Participation: Ellen Woodward and her Husband from Shirley Cottage attended the meeting to share their concerns about the council rubbish outside their property. The rubbish bin is constantly full, smells very badly and attracts vermin in the area Mrs Woodward told the Council. She has on many occasions rung the County Council and asked them to empty it more often, as it is affecting their daily life and making the use of their front garden very difficult. Several phone calls to PCC have been made by the family, they were told that the bin was filling up so quickly because of 'misuse' of the bin by local residents. Mrs Woodward was asked by PCC if she wanted the bin removing from outside her property, she said 'no' just emptied more regularly. The bin was then removed some days later by PCC anyway. Mr and Mrs Woodward were keen to express to the Council they didn't request for the bin to be removed and moved outside someone else property to become a problem. The County Council removed the bin themselves.

No.	Detail	Action
2	Declarations of Interest	
	None	
3	Signing of Minutes from Previous Meeting:	
	July Minutes were signed off by the Chairperson – Sian Hughes – No amendments	
4	Matters Arising:	
	4.1 Bus Shelter – The bus shelter next to Shirley Cottage has had the graffiti painted over and the whole one side of the shelter re-painted by the Mr and Mrs Woodward from Shirley Cottage. The Community Council gave thanks to them for taking time to paint and for removing the eye sore graffiti, it was agreed by all the shelter looks much better now upon entering the Village.	
	4.2 Picnic benches common land – The Chair has asked Robert Davies to forward the Enhancing Pembs Grant paperwork to her, so that the council can try to apply for some funding to have some new picnic benches placed on the common land along the Ford	Sian Hughes
	4.3 Email Johanna Griffiths – The email was received and acknowledged by the Council.	
	4.4 Shrubs Church Side – The Council agreed these shrubs need to be trimmed.	

5	Village Hall Matters:	
	5.1 New Fencing around Playpark – Robert met with Charles from Heatherton last week at the Village Hall to discuss the fencing and tarmac for the car park. Quotes for the work will be prepared, details of dates will be confirmed. Charles will be kindly funding the new fencing and tarmac.	
	5.2 New Football leg for goalposts – The new leg for the damaged football posts has been renewed and steps have been taken to adjust the tractor grass cutter so the damage to the posts wont happen again when village field being cut.	
	Any Other Business –	
	 The door to the disabled toilet is hanging off. Robert has agreed to speak with a local joiner to get fixed. Bonfire Night 2021 – The FOSS group would like to host the bonfire celebrations at the village field this year. They are struggling to raise money for the Community Primary School. Their plans for the future would hope to try and establish a local newsletter encompassing the other village groups: WI, Church, PTA and Football teams; where news can be shared with local residents. FOSS also hope to organise a Hog Roast in the coming months to raise much needed funds. 	Robert Davies
6	Local Planning St Florence:	
_	None received in this month	
7	Accounts & Finances:	
	7.1 Bank Reconciliation as at 1 st September 2021 was presented and signed off by non-signatory member.	
	7.2 Invoices were passed for payment.	

8 County Councillors Monthly Report:

Cllr Kidney reported for this month:

- 1. The hedges along Fiddlers Lane have been recently trimmed by the County Council, this was done as a goodwill gesture; Fiddlers Lane is a Bridleway and not the responsibility of the County Council.
- 2. There have been complaints sent to Cllr Kidney about the recurring road closures down by the village church. A formal complaint has been sent into Highways with regards to the disruption for the local community.
- 3. A new initiative 'Go Safer Wales' has been launched by PCC, Cllr Kidney will sign up for St Florence to be included. The initiative brings out speed vans to an area to monitor speed. Cllr Kidney said the initiative has been run in Manorbier and it worked very well.

Meeting closed at 9pm, next meeting Monday 11th October 2021 @ 7.30pm Village Hall