

# Gladestry Community Council

## Minutes of the ordinary meeting held on Monday 1 February 2016 in Gladestry Village Hall

### Present

Mr Derrick Carrington (Chairman), Ms Jane Bisby, Mr Melvyn Hughes, Mr Viv Lloyd, Mr Gareth Croose, Mrs Dianne Moore, Cllr Michael Jones, Dr Bob Terry (for part) and Mr Kenneth Waugh (Clerk).

### 1. Apologies.

Apologies were received from Mr Dan Cosgrove.

### 2. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 16 November 2015 and the Special Meeting held on 21 December 2015 were agreed and signed.

### 3.. Matters Arising

i. Defibrillator. Dan's e-mail apologising for his non-attendance tonight also promised an update before the council's next meeting.

ii and iv. Speeding issues affecting the turn out from Stonehouse lane, and the condition of the lane itself, provoked a disagreement. It was decided that the matters would be referred to Highways Dept at Powys CC, and someone from there be invited to inspect the area with Councillors present. Councillors were also asked to notify the Clerk of any other highways matters they were aware of, by 15 February, so that there could be a composite submission to Powys. (see also item 7ii).

iii. Website. Upper Bridge Enterprises (UBE) had written to the Council offering to provide a replacement service, including indicative costings, because of Microsoft's decision to withdraw their platform which currently supports our website. Bob Terry had had a look at websites already completed by UBE, and found them acceptable for our needs. The possibility of in-house development is currently impracticable, and other providers, as discovered by Old Radnor CC, were more expensive. The meeting agreed to proceed with the UBE offer, and the Clerk would write to them confirming this. The Clerk was also asked to contact the Old Radnor Clerk to add this Council's name to the list of signatories complaining to Microsoft about its decision to withdraw support, and seeking financial compensation.

### 4. Planning.

i. There was nothing new to report on the outline planning application discussed at the Special Meeting held on 21 December 2015.

ii. Proposed public path order. The meeting raised no objections to the proposal.

## 5. Finance.

- i. Clerk's salary – noted
- ii. Grant to St Mary's, Gladestry – noted.
- iii. and iv. Payments agreed for insurance and village hall hire.
- v. Precept request sent – noted.
- vi. A/c balance – noted.
- vii. Village hall annual grant - it was proposed by Melvyn, and seconded by Gareth, that the grant should stay at last year's figure of £600; agreed unanimously.

## 6. Correspondence.

ii. St Mary's Church, Gladestry - request for grant assistance with maintaining public toilet facilities. Concerns were expressed that the facility is not well known, and also whether or not financial assistance may be available from Powys. ( Cllr. Jones later confirmed that Powys funding for this type of facility was not available). The Chairman said he would speak to the PCC Secretary and report back.

v. Powys Local Development plan is available to Councillors on CD, via the Chairman.

## 7. AOB.

- i. Grant application forms issued to Councillors.
- ii. Cloggau Pitch passing places. There is a lack of passing places on the 1km length of the road known as Cloggau Pitch (although there is probably one place hidden by vegetation). A number of members of the Community had written to the Clerk expressing concern that this lack created an unsafe stretch of road, with particular danger to the school minibus that used this road twice each day. The Clerk was asked to raise concerns with Powys Highways (see also note 3ii and 3iv.)
- iii. Melvyn enquired about the legal status of the bus shelter attached to the Royal Oak pub in Gladestry. No-one could say with certainty, and the Clerk was asked to attempt to resolve the ownership issue with the help of Powys Legal Services.

8. Next Meeting. The next meeting will be held\_ on 21 March 2016 at 7.30.