

**DRAFT****Gladestry Community Council****Minutes of the ordinary meeting held on Monday 21 March 2016 in  
Gladestry Village Hall**Present

Mr Derrick Carrington (Chairman), Ms Jane Bisby, Mr Viv Lloyd, Mr Dan Cosgrove  
Cllr Michael Jones and Mr Kenneth Waugh (Clerk).

Observer: Mr Howard Dean

1. Apologies.

Apologies were received from Mr Gareth Croose..

2. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 1 February 2016 were agreed and signed.

3.. Matters Arising

i. Defibrillator. Dan reported that the application to the British Heart Foundation was complete but that funds for the financial year 2015-16 had been used up before the application could succeed. Viv mentioned that Lottery funding may be available, and Dan said that he would explore all available means.

ii. Highways. The Clerk explained that he had not received responses to either of the letters he had sent to the Highways Department at County Hall (these were copied to Councillors). Councillor Jones said he would follow-up this issue and contact George Lloyd. [Contact made by George to the Clerk on Tuesday 29 March.]

iii. Website. No new information had been received from Upper Bridge Enterprises.

iv. Bus shelter. Derrick reported that he had obtained, at a cost, land registry documents relating to the Royal Oak but that there was nothing on them to show that anyone other than the pub owns the bus shelter. The Clerk added that he had checked Community Council documents from 2014, in respect of the Council notice board, with the same outcome. The Clerk added that he had also written to the Planning Department to ask if they could provide an answer on ownership and was still awaiting a response.

Derrick's view is that this should end the matter, unless Planning demonstrates otherwise, as the likely next stage would have to be some sort of legal challenge, in which he feels the Council should not become involved.

4. Planning.

No new applications had been received.

In respect of the Yellow Jack Barn Meadow application Powys CC had issued a notice of the Planning Committee's meeting, to be held on 31 March 2016; Gladestry CC has already made written comments. The meeting is open to individuals to attend, and Derrick will do so to observe. Cllr Jones is a member of the Planning Committee and will, therefore, be in attendance.

#### 5. Finance.

- i. Clerk's salary and expenses were approved.
- ii. As the Clerks' salary had not changed for at least 4 years Viv proposed that there should be an annual increase of £200; this was seconded by Jane and agreed by those present, to take effect from 6 April 2016.
- iii. A/c balance - noted.
- iv. Grant applications. There was a debate about the St Mary's, Gladestry written application for assistance with the running costs of the lavatory, provided for the use of visitors/walkers, after central funding had been withdrawn. The costs relate mainly to the necessary supply of electricity. After proper consideration, Dan proposed that the Council should meet half the amount applied for, *viz.* £150, this year, and review the position each year thereafter. Dan also said that he thought it would be useful if the PCC considered a donations box to help with running costs. Jane seconded the proposal, adding that sign posting the facility would help to ensure that visitors were aware of it. Councillors agreed with the proposal.

The grant applications received by the closing date were met in full with the proviso that the Community Council will meet up to £200 costs of the Queen's Birthday Celebration as Viv informed us that he understood that any donations received from other sources would help to offset anticipated costs. Please refer to the attached annex for a list of applications and agreed funding.

During the debate on grant applications, Derrick reminded Councillors that grants were welcomed for maintenance costs as well as capital projects, and reiterated that he was keen for the Council to assist with churchyard maintenance work. As a result, it was agreed that applications for such assistance would still be considered.

#### 6. Correspondence.

The offer from Powys CC for a recreation ground inspection was declined as Powys remains the owner of the Gladestry plat area.

#### 7. AOB.

None.

8. Next Meeting. The next meeting will be the AGM and will be held on Monday 9 May 2016 at 7.00pm, followed by an Ordinary Meeting at 7.30pm.

## GLADESTRY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

### GRANT APPLICATIONS 2016 – 2017

<b>ORGANISATION AND REQUEST</b>	<b>SUM AGREED</b>
St Mary's Church, Gladestry: contribution Towards church yard maintenance - £100	£100
Running costs of lavatory facility - £300	£150
 Gladestry School: shade sail for playground - £100.	 £100
 Gladestry Parent and Toddler Group: toy cars and carry case - £22.59; Happy Hopperz Bouncy Cows - £44.43; and wooden dolls' house - £69.99. Total £137	   £137
 St Mary's Church, Newchurch: Mowing of churchyard - £100	 £100
 Gladestry and District Celebration Of Queen Elizabeth's 90 <sup>th</sup> birthday: prizes for sporting events - £100; cost of face painting materials - £30; commemorative holly tree and protective fencing - £70. Total £200	     An amount up to £200