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Minutes of a Meeting of the Llandow Community Council held at Llandow Village Hall, Llandow on Thursday 8th March 2018 at 7.30 pm.

- **35/18. PRESENT:** Mr. C. Cornelius (Chairman), Mr. R. Finucane, Mr. P. Bryant, Mrs. A. Pattinson, Mr. A. Clarke, Mr. T. Phillips, Mrs. C. Bray, County Borough Councillor C. Cave, and Mr. D-L. Jones (Clerk).
- **36/18. APOLOGIES:** Mr. R. Thomas (Vice Chairman), Ms. J. Shaw, County Borough Councillor G. Cox, Ms. E. Reed and PCSO Angela Stone.
- 37/18. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST, ETC: there were no declarations made.
- 38/18. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE 1st FEBRUARY 2018:

Proposed by Cllr. A. Pattinson, seconded by Cllr. A. Clarke.

39/18. MATTERS ARISING:

159/17: BT / Openreach: Cllr. C. Cornelius reported that he had recently received an email from BT stating that they cannot accept his order for broadband as there is not enough capacity at the Cowbridge exchange at present.

Cllr. C. Cave reported that she had passed on all the information that the Community Council had gathered, together with the information from other Community Councils, to Cllr. Jonathan Bird which he had discussed with Openreach at a recent meeting. A response to the issues raised is expected soon.

141 & 143/17: Issues with infrastructure: Cllr. Cave offered apologies on behalf of Cllr. G. Cox and Emma Reed who were not able to attend due to the meeting date having been rescheduled because of heavy snowfall the previous week. Cllr. Cave reported that she had met with Cllr. Cox and Ms Reed to discuss Council's concerns, as outlined by the Clerk, and Ms Reed would be looking into the matters raised. Since that meeting the VGCBC had set its budget for 2018/19 which included an additional £500K from its reserves and £1.36 million, specifically targeted for highways, from the Welsh Government. A significant part of this extra money is going to be spent in the rural Vale with Town & Community Councils being consulted regarding the specific issues they would like to see resolved. The members of the Community Council welcomed this approach. It was agreed to extend an invitation to Cllr. Cox and Ms Reed to attend the next meeting of the Community Council. 16/18 2: The Vale of Glamorgan County Borough Council Budget Consultation: Cllr. C. Cave reported that the VGCBC had now set its budget for 2018/19. Council Tax would rise by 3.9%. The VGCBC has the lowest financial settlement from the Welsh Government of all the unitary authorities in Wales and this is an ongoing cause of concern for the Vale Council. It was agreed that the Clerk would write to the Welsh Government highlighting Council's concern.

40/18. FINANCE:

a) Business a/c £51.19
Current a/c £3.408.47

b) Outgoings for March 2018:

Clerk's salary @ S.P. 27- February '17: £326.56 HMRC: £81.60 Transact Pensions (by direct debit): £81.64 Sigingstone Village Hall Hire 2017: £150.00

41/18. BUILDING STRONGER COMMUNITIES FUND:

Cllr. C. Bray reported that she had recently applied to this fund for 'Making Music in Llysworney'; the outcome of the application is expected soon.

42/18. COMMUNITY COUNCIL FUND:

A few amendments to the application form were noted and it was agreed that it could be circulated. Members agreed to let their respective communities know about the new fund.

43/18. REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS:

Cllr. A. Pattinson reported that she would represent Council at the next Footpaths Committee Meeting at Cowbridge Town Hall on the 12th April at 10.30 am.

- **44/18. CORRESPONDENCE:** (Council noted the following correspondence)
 - 1) Kidney Wales
 - 2) One Voice Wales: Invitation to become a member.
 - 3) Clerks & Councils Direct.
 - 4) VGCBC: Meeting of 28th Feb 2018

45/18. PLANNING:

Approvals:

1.) Ashbrook, Llandow: Construction of contemporary glazed orangery extension to replace existing conservatory.

Siteserve update: Cllr. C. Cave reported that Siteserve will have to apply for a licence if they wish to use the biomass boiler. At present the recycling of plastics and paper is all that takes place at the site. Cllr. C. Cave reported that an invitation had been extended to members of the Community Council to visit Siteserve if they wished. A period of 24 hours notice is required prior to visits and this should be arranged via the Clerk.

- **46/18. LLANDOW:** Cllr. A. Pattinson reported that the response of the VGCBC and the updates from Cllr. Cave had been excellent during the heavy snow the previous week, with access to the village having been restored by Sunday thanks to the efforts of a local farmer. The community had also rallied around, including checking on the vulnerable. It was noted that Siteserve had cleared snow from the access roads to the site.
- 47/18. LLYSWORNEY: It was reported that the roads through Llysworney had been cleared of snow by Saturday.
- **48/18. SIGINGSTONE:** Cllr. C. Cornelius reported that the roads into Sigingstone had not been cleared until the Wednesday after the snow. There had also been a problem with low water pressure as Welsh Water's vehicles had not been able to gain access to their facilities due to the snowdrifts. Several older residents had been cut off, but members of the local community had been in touch and kept them supplied with provisions.

49/18. COUNCIL DECISIONS:

Barry Gasification Plant: Cllr. C. Cave reported that she had seconded the motion of the VGCBC for Natural Resources Wales to undertake an Environmental Impact Assessment of the Barry Gasification Plant.

Election as Deputy Mayor of the Vale of Glamorgan: Cllr. C. Cave reported that she had been elected Deputy Mayor for the forthcoming year (2018/19) at a recent meeting of the VGCBC. Council expressed their congratulations to Cllr. Cave on her recent appointment.

County Councillor Surgery: Cllr. C. Cave reported that she intended to hold a surgery for constituents at the Victoria Inn, Sigingstone on Saturday 10th March. Cllr Cave agreed to circulate the information to members who would forward it to their communities via their respective networks.

International Women's Day: Cllr. C. Cave reported that she had recently attended an event to mark International Women's Day.

Cardiff & Vale Health Council: Cllr. C. Cave reported that she had recently attended a training event organised by Cardiff & Vale Health Council.

Whitchurch Hospital Day Centre: Cllr. C. Cave reported that she had recently visited the Day Centre at Whitchurch Hospital.

50/18. OTHER BUSINESS:

Town & Community Council consultation event: Cllr. A. Pattinson reported that there would be a Welsh Government consultation event regarding the role of Town & Community Councils at Old St. Mellons Hall on Thursday 15th March at 9.30 am. None of the members present would be able to attend due to work/previous commitments. Cllr. C. Bray agreed to ask Cllr. J. Shaw if she could represent Council at this meeting.

Code of Conduct Training: The Clerk reported that he had been asked by the VGCBC Monitoring Officer for an update regarding Code of Conduct Training. It was agreed the Clerk would seek dates for future training events.

51/18. DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING: Thursday 12th April 2018, 7.30 pm, at Sigingstone Village Hall.

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