# **OLD ST MELLONS COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

Minutes of the meeting held in the Village Hall, Newport Rd, Old St Mellons at 7.00pm on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2013

Present:

Chair: Cllr D Rees

Vice Chair: Cllr R James

Councillors: Cllr S Johns (SJ)

Cllr J Rogers (JR) Cllr D Stroud (DS)

Clerk to the Council: Mrs N Evelyn-Gauci (NG)

In Attendance: Mrs Nicola Winstanley RFO (NW)

1. Apologies for absence

Cllr S Williams (SW) Cllr A Davies (AD) Cllr L Phillips (LP)

2. Declaration of interests

DR declared an interest : St. Edeyrns Churchyard, Ty'r Winch Playing Field.
RJ declared an interest : VA Member, St. Edeyrns Churchyard, St. Mellons Parish Church

3. Police Matters

None

4. Members from outside bodies

None attended.

- 5. Minutes to approve as a correct record of the minutes of the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> June 2013
  - 9.1 RFO would like to point out that under SSP the cleaner is not entitled to sick pay.
- 6. Matters arising from the minutes of 13<sup>th</sup> June 2013
  - 6.1 Applications for the pre purchase of graves discuss.

As there were not many in attendance it was decided to defer to next meeting.

6.2 New rows are needed to be created at St. Edeyrns - discuss.

Row Y is currently the next available.

It was resolved : Our landscape contractor to provide a quote and to liaise with Summers Funeral Directors.

6.3 Village Hall reduction rates – set up a Hall Management Group

An invitation for Mr Paul Egan to attend our next meeting to discuss this subject has been made.

6.4 Cylch Storage – base and sandpit update.

Emailed Cylch and it was agreed by Cylch that base would be removed and sand pit be replaced with grass.

6.5 Litter to Ty'r Winch field – litter bins update.

It had been noted that if we purchase litter bins that the caretaker could be responsible for emptying them – Clerk to discuss with the Working Hall Party.

6.6 FIT fun day/event update.

All provisions are in place for this event.

The planter has now been placed and awaiting to be filled. SJ kindly has donated her time to do this.

Thanks to Mr Bill James for organising the boulder and for fixing the plaque in place.

It was noted to send a thank you letter to go out to Cefn Mably Farm to thank them for the provision of boulder.

6.7 Community Building Grants Programme 2013/14 check (RJ) - update.

RJ is checking to see if we can have this grant, it was noted last meeting it was unlikely.

DR has received some information for this, but may not hear for some time if OSMCC is successful.

6.8 First World War: Then and Now: Heritage Lottery Fund – express interest.

Emailed 30<sup>th</sup> June to express and interest and asked when or if there is a deadline. DR had stated it will be a while before we hear, and is noted that there is no deadline for submissions.

6.9 Notice of OVW 2013 Conference & AGM - confirm attendance.

Cllr James may attend conference which will be held on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2013 In Builth Wells.

#### 7. Local Residents

Under Standing Order 84 the meeting may be adjourned for up to fifteen minutes for a public session. Each member of the public may speak only once and may express observations only. Members of the Council should not enter into any discussion. The Chair may limit an individual's speech to provide equal opportunity to all members of the public.

A resident has volunteered to collate the list of all names and initials on the war memorials in relation to the First World War Then and Now grant.

A resident asked to see the agenda and draft minutes, it was noted that the agenda is available from the start of the meeting and that the draft minutes can be viewed by the members of the public once it has been approved.

A resident had noted that leaflets for the FIT fun day/event in certain areas had not been covered, it was noted the leaflets now has been distributed.

#### 8. Highways and Planning

Application No. / Rhif Cais: 13/01225/DCO

Proposal: External: proposed entrance ramp and steps, entrance gates, security gates and garden store. internal: proposed alterations to existing partitions to provide revised layout for storage, kitchen, toilets, disabled refuge for escape stair and access to office/prayer room. Proposed installation of lift.

Location: Bethany Presbyterian Church, Old Hill, old St Mellons,

Cardiff, CF3 5SU

There were no objections.

#### 9. Finance

9.1 Temporary cleaner has resigned.

A notice for a temporary cleaner needs to be put in the noticeboards.

**9.2** Public Liability insurance for FIT field fun day/event – update.

Third parties emailed on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2013

**9.3** Missing/discharged fire extinguishers and fire blanket has been replaced.

#### 10. County Councillor Report

**10.1** New community comprising to 1020 new homes meeting between developers and planners – update

Further development on this LDP will not be taking place until October.

DR noted this is grade I and grade II prime agricultural land suggests the OSMCC continues to make objections.

10.2 Newport Road speed limit – with the new Eastern High School opening up in September worry of the speed along this road, it was noted that there will be restrictions from 40 to 30 miles an hour.

## 11. Working Party Reports

11.1 Noticeboard to Bluebell drive – update.

It was noted to make this another project towards the autumn, as the original information is no longer available.

**11.2** Working Party Hall inspection – update.

Works to be carried out on the Village Hall - as agreed on this quote because of best price and also based on his reputation, as the company concerned has already done work for the OSMCC in the past.

It was resolved: Clerk to write to the successful company to go ahead with works carried out in the quote.

#### 12. Newsletter

12.1 Newsletter update.

It was noted that the draft newsletter has be viewed, including the double central spread, Chair to put a small piece of what the community is about.

It is resolved: Newsletter approved.

**12.2** Business Directory update.

All information required has been gathered and ready for publishing.

It is resolved: Business directory approved.

### 13. Correspondence Received

**13.1** First World War Then and Now – Heritage Lottery Fun – interest expressed.

It was noted that DR will have a look into this funding.

**13.2** OVW – The Voice.

A suggestion for each Cllr to have their own copy, as this magazine contains useful information. It was noted that the magazine only has two issues a year.

It was resolved: RFO to check prices and order.

13.3 OVW – Welsh National Memorial.

It was noted and read at meeting – it was agreed that no donation would be given.

13.4 Letter from Rev'd Cannon John Woodward

It was noted that a letter was received thanking the OSMCC for their kind generosity to waiving fees of internment for his late wife.

13.5 Hall Hire charges – review.

It was noted to look at this in October and this needs to be included in the annual programme.

**13.6** Caretaker– job description.

It was noted to arrange a meeting with the Hall Working Party and Clerk to discuss job description.

13.7 Cardiff Conservation Volunteers.

To speak to them about Ty'r Winch Field and what they can provide.

#### 14. Items for next meeting

Installation of telephone line for WIFI capabilities.

Cllr D Rees

Chair to the Old St. Mellons Community Council