**Minutes of the normal meeting of Templeton Community Council**

**Held on 16th July 2020**

Present: Cllrs Peter Morgan (Chair), Liz Burns, Elwyn Morse, Barbara Priest, Kathrin Williams, Mark Simpkins, Jason Jennings, Charles Hughes.

Cllr Morgan welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. **To accept apologies for absence**. No apologies were received.
2. **To disclose personal and prejudicial interests in the items listed below**. Cllr Hughes declared a personal interest in the Knights Court turning bay item.
3. **To sign the minutes of the previous meeting**. The minutes of the meeting on 18th June had been previously circulated. These were agreed as correct and would be duly signed by the Chairman.
4. **To report on matters arising from previous minutes and decide further action as required**:

**Hall**: The building inspector signed off documentation had been received. There was an outstanding invoice that had yet to be received. The health and safety policy and fire risk assessment had been amended from the input received and would be recirculated for approval. The weekly safety check rota would be considered in a later meeting since the Hall was not yet legally allowed to open to public use. Queries had been raised locally regarding the replacement of the pump – it was agreed it would be re-installed somewhere on the Village Green if at all possible, after it had been cleaned and painted.

The opportunity to purchase a moveable stage had been investigated further by Cllrs Burns and Morgan, and they reported back to the meeting. After discussion it was agreed to purchase the stage when possible.

**Charitable status**: The Council then considered putting the Hall into a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. The Clerk had previously circulated information on this, and after discussion it was agreed by all to do this. The Clerk would make the application.

**Play Park:** Cllr Hughes joined the meeting during this item. The Council received and discussed the latest information regarding the replacement of the timbers, including correspondence and prices. It was agreed by all to accept the offer proposed, and to obtain the timbers from the source that would provide best value. In the meantime, once guidance notices were put up in accordance with Government guidance, and relevant risk assessments done, it was agreed that the play park should be re-opened for use.

1. **New items of business:**

**IRPW report** – the mandatory and discretionary allowances were summarised and it was agreed not to this year take on any of the discretionary allowances unless circumstances changed.

**Cleaner contract**. This had been circulated, and was agreed.

**Clerk contract**. This had been circulated, and was agreed.

**Opening of the Hall.** This was discussed. Cllr Priest would circulate the latest guidance received from PAVS. The Clerk stated she was drafting a risk assessment in readiness.

**Tables and benches in the community**. A letter had been received from TCA – the Council expressed their thanks to TCA for the work done so far in restoring or replacing the benches. They agreed to provide the ones currently unallocated to TCA to jointly locate and build them so that they could be used in the community. TCA would be contacted directly to make the arrangements for this. The Clerk would compile a list of the various street furniture and ensure it was added to the asset register and insurance policy.

**Knights Court turning bay**: Cllr Hughes had earlier declared a personal interest in this item. Background information on this had been circulated. It was agreed that the Council would in principle be willing to make the required changes so long as it was done legally, with all costs covered by the other party. The site would be investigated at the earliest opportunity by the Council before proceeding further in the discussions.

1. **Items of correspondence**

* Notice of firing – Templeton Airfield. This was noted.
* PCC proposal to amend to speed limits on the road between Templeton and Begelly. There were no objections to this.

It was agreed that information such as this could be posted on the Council’s Facebook account and website to raise awareness amongst the community.

1. **County Councillor’s report**. Cllr Morse reported that there had been need for a police presence over the weekend due to complaints about a social gathering. He also stated that the PCC had carried out drain and gully cleaning through the village, and that they would come back in the near future to ensure all had been cleaned.
2. **Financial statement and bank reconciliation – Council main and reserve accounts**.

Bank statement for main account £26,343.55 as at 7th July 2020

Reserves account £78236.00 as at 7th July 2020.

Income banked, payments made and income received as per provided bank reconciliation

Invoices: Play Park wood treatment £51.30

Clerk – salary, expenses, tax.

Community garden – compost, screws etc. - £19.44.

£30,000.00 transferred to second account to cover the repayment of PWLB loan and interest.

The expenditure and reconciliation were all agreed by those present.

1. **Planning**

20/0185/PA. Ground floor extension. Piper Cottage, Penygraig Lane, Templeton. There were no objections to this planning application.

1. **Community Hall financial statement and bank reconciliation**.

Bank statement, reconciliation presented £11349.08 as at 7th July 2020

£10,000.00 covid-19 grant received 1-7-2020

Electricity for Hall - £58.05

Dwr Cymru for Hall – next monthly payment not due until 3-8-2020 - £45.00

Income banked, payments made and income received as per provided bank reconciliation

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1. **Councillors’ reports and matters for next meeting**.

Cllr Priest stated that some paviours had been taken from the hardstanding adjacent to the war memorial. A local company was being approached to see if they might be able to replace them.

Cllr Simpkins raised issues with the lack of bins for people to put bagged dog waste in at the top of the village. It was stated that dog waste specific bins incurred a higher emptying charge for hygiene reasons. Signage would be sought for the problem.

Cllr Burns raised the issue of several potholes along the road between Templeton and cold Blow, and two manhole covers being dangerously high. This would be raised with PCC when details were provided. Cllr Morgan stated there were a number of other highway defects that needed raising with PCC – a list would be circulated.

Cllr Hughes stated that the light previously reported as hanging in Cold Blow had still not been resolved. Cllr Morse stated he would query this in more detail with PCC.

Cllr Burns stated that the triangle at Cold Blow had been cut by a resident.

1. **Next meeting**. The next meeting was provisionally agreed to take place on Thursday 17th September 2020, to be held using Zoom, subject to legislative restrictions and the covid-19 situation.

Cllr Morgan then thanked everyone for attending the meeting, and there being no further business, this meeting closed at 9.30pm.