

ROSEMARKET COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the monthly meeting held online via the Zoom videoconferencing platform, on Monday 3rd June 2024

Present: C’lrs Caroline Haley (Chairman), James Milne, Stu Gray, Jackie Prest, County Cllr Danny Young; Peter Horton (Clerk).

Apologies: C’lir Gery Rostan, Jill Gibson.

Declarations of known interest

None.

Approval of the minutes of the 2024 A.G.M.

The minutes were approved as an accurate record and held by the Clerk for signature by the Chairman following the meeting (proposer C’lir Stu Gray, seconder C’lir Jackie Prest).

Approval of the minutes of the May 2024 monthly meeting

The item in 'Matters Arising' relating to flooding, Bastleford Road was amended to refer to 'recent incidences of flooding around Bastleford Road'. With this amendment, the minutes were approved as an accurate record and held by the Clerk for signature by the Chairman following the meeting (proposer C’lir Stu Gray, seconder C’lir Jackie Prest).

Opportunity for public representation on tabled agenda items

There were no members of the public present who wished to comment.

Matters arising

Defibrillators. The defibrillators had been checked by C’lir Jackie Prest, and were in good condition.

Watery Lane. P.C.C. had programmed maintenance works in the lane, and had carried out some initial emergency repair work in the lane during the previous few days.

Village Amenity. Members reported that the unauthorised electrical cable had been removed from the Village Amenity. A large breeze block was noticed in the parking area and had been moved by C’lir Caroline Haley on safety grounds as could cause damage to vehicles or pedestrians if not seen.

Planning matters

There were no planning applications for discussion this month.

Correspondence

- 1) P.C.C. - Confirmation that speed activated signage is in community council ownership - noted, and it was confirmed that the signage had been added to the insurance schedule and community asset register.
- 2) P.C.C. - Confirmation of proposed works at Watery Lane - dealt with in 'Matters Arising' above.
- 3) Local resident - Expression of support for 20mph speed limit in village, and appreciation for provision of speed activated signage in village - noted. Clerk to ask P.C.C. for information on any proposed consultations over potential changes to the current 20mph speed limits.
- 4) P.C.C. - Response to query about byelaws - dealt with in agenda item below.
- 5) Saundersfoot C.C. - Invitation to D-Day commemorations, to be held on Saturday 8th June - noted, and C’lrs Caroline Haley and Jackie Prest confirmed their intention to attend on behalf of the community council.

Accounts

Payments

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| Zurich Municipal (additional insurance premium) | : | £ 99-96 |
| Denise Mayr (internal audit of 2023/24 Accounts) | : | £ 75-00 |
| Clerk (salary and fixed expenses, April - June 2024) | : | As per contract |
| H.M.R.C. (P.A.Y.E. tax on employed income) | : | As per contract |

The above payments were approved by Members (proposer C'lr Caroline Haley, seconder C'lr Jackie Prest).

Internal audit of 2023/24 accounts.

The report had been received from the internal auditor, and circulated to all Members. C'lr Stu Gray mentioned a comment in the report about the level of strategic reserves. Members agreed that this could be discussed as necessary in the forthcoming quarterly budget review, due in July. Members formally accepted the internal audit report (proposer C'lr James Milne, seconder C'lr Stu Gray).

Annual Governance Statement / accounting statement for 2023/24 accounts.

The annual governance statement for 2023/24 was completed by Members, and accepted as an accurate statement of the council's activities over the previous financial year (proposer C'lr Jackie Prest, seconder C'lr Stu Gray). The statement was held by the Clerk for subsequent signature by the Chairman.

Discussion of possible arrangements for pedestrian shelter provision at top end of Village

Members were informed that the quotation for construction of a new pedestrian shelter was currently awaited, and expected imminently. Clerk to proceed with a National Lottery Community Fund grant application once the quotation had been received (proposer C'lr Caroline Haley, seconder C'lr Stu Gray).

Any necessary discussion of The Beacon

Replacement football nets. Work to replace the damaged net was expected imminently. Clerk to ask Infinity Play to provide a few spare cable ties for future use.

Play equipment maintenance. Work expected to be carried out imminently.

Playground inspection reports. No new issues reported apart from litter.

Regulations on surfacing around basketball hoop. Clerk to ask St Dogmaels C.C. about the success of rubber mulch as a surfacing around their basketball hoop. Once this information was received, it could be used to inform further decision-making on its possible use around the basketball hoop on The Beacon.

Tree removal / maintenance. Six dead trees had been identified on the Lower Beacon. It was agreed that these should be dug up. C'lr Danny Young offered to carry out this work. C'lr Caroline Haley / James Milne offered to assist as necessary. Members were also informed that tree guards had been placed by C'lr Danny Young around 14 of the new saplings planted over the winter period.

Control of dogs in playpark area. Following previous discussion around concerns raised by several residents, the Clerk had obtained guidance on the use of byelaws for dog control, and it had established that this route may not be the most effective method of controlling dogs on The Beacon. Members discussed possible ways to address the ongoing concerns, which had been received primarily from families with children. Introducing a rule for dogs to be kept on leads at the Upper Beacon which includes the playpark and football pitch was suggested as one possibility. Members were generally in agreement with this suggestion, but no firm decision was made. Comments on possible fencing off of the section of the Upper Beacon around the play equipment, and altering the grass-cutting schedule for the Lower Beacon, were also mentioned briefly as possibilities. Members agreed for a community feedback exercise to be carried out. C'lr Caroline Haley to draft details and

circulate for comment.

Grass-cutting, Lower Beacon. Clerk to arrange this, to be carried out as soon as possible. Contractor to be advised of the need to avoid the area where tree-planting had been carried out.

Unauthorised access to Lower Beacon. C'lr Jackie Prest reported that two new unauthorised entrances had been made into the adjacent field. Members noted this, and agreed to generally monitor the situation.

Discussion of maintenance issues on community council-owned assets in village

Bus shelter Lower Middle St. C'lr Caroline Haley had noticed that the bus shelter was in need of some maintenance, cleaning and re-painting work. Clerk to contact the Johnston Men's Shed to ask if they would be willing to undertake this work. If so, this to be reported back to Members, with a view to a final decision being made in the July meeting.

Benches opposite Huntsman Inn. Members were informed that the necessary work to re-stain the benches was due to be completed imminently.

Any other business

Camper vans in parking area alongside cycle path on Jordanston Road. C'lr Jackie Prest had noticed two camper vans parked at this location.

Road safety issue, old railway bridge, Honeyborough Road. C'lr Caroline Haley had received reports about ongoing perceived highway safety issues for vehicles travelling under the bridge. Matter to be tabled for discussion in July.

Children cycling in Front Street. C'lr Stu Gray had noted recent occasions of children cycling at speed down Front Street, with possible risk to their safety and that of other road users.

Government 'Get prepared for emergency' website. Agenda item to be tabled for discussion in July.

Next meeting. Monday July 1st, 2024 at 7pm,

The meeting concluded at 8-30pm.