

Welsh Newton and Llanrothal Group Parish Council

Meeting 14:11:19

In Attendance –

C.Bligh, M.Cox, S.Wilkes, MPF Barter

Chairman opened meeting at 7.30

Apologies from – K.Simmons, E.Swinglehurst, D.Clarke. *Emma Thomas*

Declaration of interest- M.Cox (re-6.2.1)

Minutes of last meeting – agreed, signed.

Public questions - one re- item 11

Ward councillors report, sent and read.

Planning-

Post Office at Welsh Newton common, some paperwork received

Pembridge castle – no news

6.2.1 – version 2, some 32 letters of objection pointing out-

Concerns over lack of mitigation for wildlife impact,

too close to existing properties

reference to 'open drain' alongside neighbours land needs clarification,

size may be against 'neighbourhood plan'.

Comments- to be clear about the drainage, the blocking of light, privacy, footprint larger than previously, appears to be a new build as not on old footprint, councillors to view the plans again and comment, scale and position.

It was concluded that the planning could not be supported

6.2.2 Biddlestone - re-submit original objections 'word for word' ie. Visual impact.

6.3 – 17.10.19 letter sent, research any action?

Finance report -clerk's expenses etc. – all approved.

Check with Emma.

Draft budget –

Discussed and broadly in agreement, however, no vote was taken as all councillors need to be involved (next meeting)

Lengthsman report-

Routine maintenance with an inspection in Dec.

Nunnery ditch, proposed to contact the Walsh's re- the ditch on the inside of their hedge, Llanrothal bridge needs attention, Terry asked where the money would come from as it will take 2 day with a digger (£750), brought forward emergency work on Steve's lane, pot hole to be logged on the system, 'Market path' Welsh Newton common overgrown, Locality steward to be contacted about the Market path.

9.7 L07 further information/investigation required – next meeting.

10 purchase of defibrillator, agreed to accept offer- contact Village Hall (site of de-fib.) to see if they can help.

11 Environmental issues – initial discussion, accepting the importance of this issue, we need to create a strategy for the future. Put item on next meeting.

Terry (in attendance) outlined a fund that is available for drainage projects within Parish councils (up to £25,000) saying also there is no publication detailing this grant so it must be pursued by the PC for further details (Emma ?)

12 correspondence – none

14 Put forward a plan for next years Remembrance Day as the British Legion (local) have been disbanded.

Date of next meeting – problem with venue on the 12th of Dec.....

Move to church or change date, commence discussion with advice on availability of dates from clerk – then an email to all councillors.

8.43 meeting closed.



12th December 2019