

## NOTES FOLLOWING THE ORDINARY MEETING ON 19 MARCH 2018.

Present. Mr Melvyn Hughes, Mr Ian Ball and Mr Kenneth Waugh (Clerk).

Apologies. Ms Jane Bisby, Mr Derrick Carrington, Mr Gareth Croose, Mr Viv Lloyd and Cllr Michael Jones.

Process. The Ordinary Meeting planned could not take place as it was not quorate.

These notes, therefore, reflect the business discussion that took place, and subsequent discussions with Derrick and Viv held whilst cheque signing was being undertaken. As no replacement meeting has been requested by Councillors, these notes represent the minimum needed for the Clerk to administer essential business prior to the AGM and Ordinary Meeting due in May 2018, and are as agreed by Councillors during discussion.

1. Councillors approved the following payments:

- a. 2017-18 grant to Gladestry School of £292.15;
- b. replacement cheque for the Council's hire of the village hall; and
- c. salary and annual expenses for the Clerk.

2. A previous Council meeting had discussed repairs to the school bell tower, and agreed, in principle, to assist with funding. The Clerk had since been contacted by the school secretary, Sue Croose, on this subject. Sue explained that the repairs to the tower are required, and that Powys CC was not willing to undertake them, wanting instead to remove the tower completely. The school governing body (and the Community Council) wished to keep this iconic structure, and had arranged for an estimate for repair, in the region of £1600, and had also secured an agreement for funding from the Active Community Fund; the governing body was now seeking Community Council assistance in funding to meet the balance. Councillors reiterated their commitment to providing financial assistance. The Clerk was asked to convey this commitment to the governing body via the Headteacher. The amount to be granted would be determined when other contributions were accounted to the Council.

3. Viv told the Clerk that a meeting with a Powys CC highways representative had taken place with a view to discussing the state of roads and ditches in the Communal area. Viv had received an agreement that action would be taken to repair/maintain according to funding and priority considerations.

4. The Clerk feels that Councillors may want to review dates of future scheduled meetings in order to take account of local and seasonal difficulties affecting Councillors' attendance.

As above, the next scheduled meetings are the **AGM followed by an Ordinary Meeting at 7pm on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2018.**