At the ordinary General Meeting of Llanfihangel Aberbythych Community

Council held on the 27 March 2019 in Carmel Village Hall at at 7pm

PRESENT : Cllrs M Trevor (Chair) , C Campbell, J Roberts, LL Thomas M J Thoma, T Stephens, M Digby

 Also present: M Jenkins (clerk),

**265   CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS**

Chair Cllr M Trevor welcomed members to the meeting.

**266   APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**: Cllr B John, A Thomas, E Hopkins, J M Williams

**267  DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTERESTS** None.

**268 POLICING MATTERS –** PCSO Roger Anthony not present therefore no report available. Clerk to write to Llandeilo police station asking them to send another officer if PCSO Roger Anthony is not available.

**269 MINUTES** Minutes of the meeting held 14 January 2019 were confirmed as a correct record.

**270 MATTERS ARISING**

**A476** – No further information regarding the dip in the road near Llether Garw.  Clerk had reported the matter to Carmarthenshire CC.

**CARAVAN** – Milo – An enforcement notice has been issued by Carmarthenshire CC. No further information. Clerk to chase again if no information is forthcoming

**Crash Barrier** – It was unfortunate that Carmarthenshire CC were not treating this as a priority. Cllr Campbell explained that the County Council have a matrix when considering these kinds of request, but would continue to monitor the position.

**Chairman boards** – Clerk was instructed to make the necessary arrangements for the signwriter to update the boards in Carmel, Golden Grove and the Gate hall. Cllr LLinos Thomas was to ascertain who the key holder is for the Gate Hall. Clerk to liaise further with signwriter with a view of coordinating all three sites to be updated.

**Heol Maesybont** – Residents continue to park on the pavement, causing obstruction. Clerk had text PCSO Roger Anthony asking him to deal with the matter as a matter of urgency.

**Road maintenance** : No works had been carried out. Clerk to chase Carmarthenshire CC again regarding the works needed to the road between Heol Y Ffynon to Bryndu Maesybont and from Cefnberach to Temple Bar.

**Carmel –** Cllr L Thomas reported that although some remedial works had been carried out in the vicinity the road surface opposite the bus shelter in Carmel required immediate attention. Clerk to report to Carms CC again

**Heol Maesybont –** The clerk had received an email confirming that the street cleansing team had been instructed to clear the litter.

**Ysgol Maesybont –** The notice board was on the wall outside the school gate. It was therefore resolved to leave the board where it is for the time being, but if the school is sold in the future, then it should be removed..

**271 COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS**

Cllr Campbell reported :

The Chief Executive job had been advertised, Salary was £30,000 less than previous, and stipulation that the successful candidate would be fluent In the Welsh Language.

The works on the Gate bypass were running a couple of weeks behind, but were expected to be completed soon.

A fundraising group for the Urdd Eisteddfod 2022 would shortly be formed.

**272 CORRESPONDENCE**

One Voice Wales – Appeal committee meeting – noted

Gwyl Gerdd Dant Llanelli ar cylch – noted

Plaid Cymru News Letter – noted

Poster – runner up for 2018 Tree competition - noted

**273   PLANNING** –

E38529 Discharge of planning condition land at rear of 228 Gate road – no objection

E38531 Non material amendment on E37931 (demolition of existing residential dwelling and construction of new residential dwelling. Amendment of external wall finishes to synthetic stone – no objection

**274 PAYMENT AND ACCOUNT**

The following payments were approved for payment:

£110.00 HMRC March

£371.25 M A Jenkins expenses

Bank Account £11217.72 CR

The clerk presented the up to date rolling expenditure against budget. Resolved to accept the document.

The clerk informed the members that she had received a report from the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales where it is stipulated that all members are entitled to receive an allowance of £150 each year to cover any expenses they may incur. This was automatic. If councillors did not wish to receive the allowance then Councillors should write to the clerk declining the allowance.

The clerk had received the NALC Employment briefing with 2019-2020 national salary award. Resolved to increase clerk salary to £13.41 per hour new salary scale point 21 (previously scp 27) Clerk to draft a letter to Barclays Bank and forward to two councillors for signature. New Salary to commence April 2019.

**275 OTHER BUSINESS/QUESTIONS**

**Councillor –** Cllr J M Thomas announced that he would be moving out of the area in approximately three months. The clerk was asked to contact Carmarthenshire CC to ascertain what the distance criteria was for a serving community councillor.

**Speed limits –** Cllr M Trevor asked Cllr Cefin Campbell when the review of the speed limits within the community council was due to be undertaken. Cllr Campbell to make enquiries and to report back to next meeting.

**Defibulator** – The clerk was requested to approach the Council’s Insurers, with a view of establishing an estimate of costs for public liability insurance for a defibulator within the community.

The meeting was held entirely in the Welsh Language/