Minutes of the Grovesend & Waungron Community Council Meeting held on Monday 11 March 2024

Present: Councillors

Mr P Card (Chairperson)

Mr M Jones Mrs T Hardwick Mr I Llewelyn Mr W Erasmus Mrs S Morgan

Clerk

Mrs Y Hamilton
County Councillors
Mrs N Matthews
Mrs J Curtice
Public Attendance

Harry Ace-Davies, Alicia Fencott, Cattleya Hopkins, Katelin Allen

and Mrs Foley (Pengelli Primary School)

Rod Evans Dai Cole

Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Councillors Mr L Holloway, Mr A Hamilton, Mrs H Talaat and Mrs J Gray and County Councillor Mr A Stevens.

Decision: The Clerk provided members with information she had received back from One Voice Wales that states that there is not a statutory requirement for the policy to be adopted and Vision ICT advised that the costs to translate the website to a bilingual one would be extremely costly. Mr M Jones proposed including a statement that states 'should you wish to communicate in Welsh then this can be arranged'. Mrs T Hardwick seconded this. Five Community Councillors approved this as they agreed that this has never been an issue in the past and one Community Councillor disagreed.

Mr P Card advised that he had received a message from Mr K Roberts regarding the constant dog mess that is being left around the field. **Decision:** A discussion took place and Mr P Card proposed that we hold a competition with the school to design a poster and then get notices made with the winning design. Mrs S Morgan proposed this. All Members agreed. **Action:** Clerk to contact the school to organise the competition and to forward all entries for judging.

Mrs T Hardwick and the Clerk attended a meeting with Pengelli Primary School to discuss organising a joint litter pick between the community and the school. **Decision:** It was decided that we would focus on the new cycle track as this was a safer environment for the children. This event will take place during the afternoon of 10 May. **Action:** Members to let the Clerk know who is available to attend and if they know of any members of the community that would like to join in.

She informed Members that she had received the invoice following the recharge by Electoral Services at a cost of £75.00. The Clerk raised questions as to why we had been charged twice but it was because we had two vacancies and therefore had to pay for each vacancy. **Decision:** All Members agreed to pay the invoice.

Vision ICT have sent the invoice for website hosting and email hosting for 2024/25 at a cost of £171.60. **Decision:** All Members agreed to pay the invoice.

She had received a reminder that payment of £90.00 was due for the rent covering January to March

Decision: All Members agreed to pay via BACS.

Following the approval at a previous meeting for the hanging baskets the Clerk mentioned that a couple of Councillors had suggested placing an additional planter by the new bench. Unfortunately, these were no longer available but we could have a couple of hanging baskets at a cost of £49.00 each but we would have to water them ourselves. She also advised that she had spoken to the owner of the wall and that she had agreed that we could use her wall to place the brackets.

Decision: Members agreed to the additional cost, Mr P Card agreed to install the brackets and Mr I Llewelyn agreed to water the hanging baskets as and when required.

Due to the upcoming 80th Anniversary of the D-Day landing on 6 June the Clerk asked Members whether they would like to fly a commemorative flag to help celebrate this event. The cost for a 5' x 3' flag would be £28.80 and a replacement flagpole would cost £54.98. **Decision:** Mrs T Hardwick proposed that we purchase the flag and flagpole. This was seconded my Mr M Jones. All Members agreed.

Date of next meeting

It was agreed that the next meeting will take place on 8 April 2024 at the Miners Welfare Hall. Remote access is available for anyone wishing to attend remotely.