

**Minutes of a Remote Meeting of St Harmon Community Council held on Thursday
2nd March, 2023**

Present: Cllr D Lowde, S Lewis, M Williams, C Davies, A Mills, K Mills

Apologies: None

Absent: Cllr D Davies

SH 24/23 Declarations of Interests

SH 31/23b – Cllr S Lewis

SH 38/23a – Cllr K Mills

SH 25/23 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 2nd February 2023. These were deferred to the next meeting.

SH 26/23 Information from Minutes

None.

SH 27/23 Public Speaking

None.

SH 28/23 Correspondence

a) Welsh Government – Garn Fach

Letter extending the suspension period for the DNS case by 4 weeks in order to allow the submission of additional information. This was noted.

SH 29/23 Planning Applications

None.

SH 30/23 Finance

a) Salary - £353.98 – approved

b) HMRC – £88.40 – approved

c) Portland Marquee Sales - £3360.00 – approved

d) Clerks Expenses/Home Working - £120.15 – approved

e) Bank Reconciliation

Reconciliation	@		23.02.23
Balance @	23.01.22		59625.45
Plus Receipts			

			59625.45
Less Payments	J Johnston	353.78	
	HMRC	88.60	
	Microshade Business	444.00	
	Marquee	3360.00	
	Audit Wales	16335.00	
	Total	20581.38	39044.07
Total Balance			39044.07
	Breakdown:		
	Council		12791.28
	Bryn Titli		26252.79

SH 31/23 Bryn Titli Fund – Grant Applications:

- a) **St Harmon & District Parish Hall Pantydwr**
Request for £653.85 to fund document fire safe and fridge.
Resolved: to award a grant of £653.85
- b) **Little Lambs Playgroup**
CLlr Lewis declared an interest in this matter and left the room whilst discussions took place.
Request for £1188.36 for room hire, out sourced activities and equipment
Resolved: to award a grant of £1188.36
- c) **Mid Wales Inn Buy Out Community Action Group**
Request for £1370 for printing, advertising and legal advice. The Clerk reminded members that monies can only be awarded to a constituted group with specific bank account.
Resolved: to award a grant of £1370.00 to the group's bank account.

SH 32/23 Co-option

No applications were received.

SH 33/23 Community Newsletter - Content

Members worked through the suggestions for the Newsletter. The Clerk will draw up a draft for circulation prior to release.

Resolved: Clerk to prepare draft.

SH 34/23

Woodland Tree Project

a) Planting Day

Cllr A Mills confirmed the planting date as Saturday 25th March 2023 10am to 3pm. He had booked the Community Hall for refreshments. Unfortunately the hall is not available for the Sunday. Cllr A Mills confirmed there will be a cost for refreshments which will be presented to the Council after the event up to £25. He will arrange volunteer cake bakers.

b) Poster

Cllr A Mills had drafted a poster which was circulated to members and this was agreed subject to amendment. The Clerk will print and laminate A4 copies for Cllr A Mills and will promote this on the Facebook page.

Resolved: Clerk to send the poster out via email to her community email database.

SH 35/23

Community Events – Plans

a) Discussion with Sam

Saturday 8th April Children's Easter event at Hall.

Sam will arrange event at Hall. Games equipment will be provided by outside company previously used by Sam in Pant y dwr together with some items that Sam already has from previous events. Sam can confirm details of company to Clerk. She has already enlisted some volunteer helpers. Children will go home with an Easter egg.

Halloween & Christmas Parties

Sam intends to use the same outside company and some already owned items. For the Christmas events, children will go home with a gift. It may be possible to hold both Christmas events on the same day, one after the other. Members agreed it was a good idea to have the Children's Party without age limit, followed by the Children's Disco for 11-14 year olds.

b) Coronation Event

A bring your own picnic Coronation Tea is to be held in the Hall on Saturday 6th May. The Clerk identified several options for children's gifts which will be circulated to members. Further discussions at the next meeting.

c) Community Meeting – to recruit volunteers

Sam has already linked up with some volunteers regarding the Easter event and she can ask any Council members for additional help, The Council will observe how the Easter event goes and then decide what volunteer help might be needed for the later events.

It was agreed to include in the Newsletter a request that anyone willing to volunteer help for the Coronation Tea contact the Clerk before the next meeting prior to finalizing plans.

SH 36/23 Other Matters

a) Wales Air Ambulance

Cllr A Mills reported on a notification from One Voice Wales that the Welshpool Air Ambulance base will now remain open until 2026. Members were delighted with this outcome.

SH 37/23 Resolution – Confidential Matters

Resolved: that the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 as there would be disclosure to them of confidential information relating to contractual, legal and personnel content.

SH 38/23 Confidential Matters (Legal, Personnel, Contractual)

a) Recreational Field Quotes for Fencing (Contractual)

Cllr K Mills declared an interest in this matter and left the room whilst discussions took place.

2 quotes were received.

Resolved: to award the contract to K Mills at the quoted price of 781.92 plus the inclusion of barbed wire. Works to be completed by 28.03.23