

**Minutes of the Hybrid Annual Meeting of St Harmon Community Council held on Thursday
4th May, 2023**

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

Apologies: Cllr D Davies (These apologies were accepted by the Council)

SH 52/23 Election of Chair

Cllr Williams proposed Cllr Sheree Lewis as Chair, this was seconded by Cllr K Mills and received a unanimous vote.

Resolved: Cllr Sheree Mills was elected as Chair.

Cllr Lewis thanked the members for her appointment and took over the Chair for the meeting.

SH 53/23 Election of Vice Chair

Cllr Lowde proposed Cllr Mark Williams as Vice Chair, this was seconded by Cllr A Mills and received a unanimous vote.

Resolved: Cllr Mark Williams was elected a Vice Chair

SH 54/23 Confirmation of Bank Signatories

Resolved: to appoint Cllr D Lowde, S Lewis, M Williams and A Mills and bank signatories. The Clerk will complete relevant paperwork.

SH 55/23 Appointment to Local Organisations:

- a) Community Hall Representative – Cllr S Lewis
- b) One Voice Wales Area Representative – Cllr A Mills
- c) Garn Fach – Cllr D Lowde
- d) Community Broadband Focus Group – This group was dissolved
- e) Smithfield Trust – Cllr C Davies

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Declarations 60/23c – Cllr C Davies

SH 56/23 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 2nd February 2023 were deferred for approval as the council was not quorate for this item.

SH 57/23 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 6th April 2023 were approved and signed.

- SH 58/23 Information from Minutes**
None.
- SH 59/23 Public Speaking**
None.
- SH 60/23 Correspondence**
- a) **Nature-Wise – Eco Literacy Course.**
Cllr Lowde has registered for this course.
- b) **Resident – Speed Limit Sign**
Email from resident expressing concern about speeding through the community and a request to extend the 30mph speed limit boundary.
- Members agreed this is a matter for Powys County Council and asked the Clerk to reply to the resident with details of the relevant contact within PCC.
Resolved: to respond providing contact details.
- c) **Community Show – Stand & Advertisement**
Cllr Davies declared an interest in this matter and left the room whilst discussions took place.
Resolved: to book and advertisement for £40 and host a stand at the show.
- A request had been received for the Community Show Committee to use the new marquee for the show.
Resolved: This was agreed.
- d) **Powys County Council – Street Lighting**
Cllr Williams had identified street lights which were turned off. The Clerk reported these to PCC. PCC had responded stating the lamps SH06 and SH18 should be on and a work ticket has been issued for their repair.
- Cllr A Mills agreed to do a survey of Pantydwr lights and report any defects back to the Clerk to be reported to PCC.
- SH 61/23 Planning Applications**
None.
- SH 62/23 Finance**
- a) **Salary - £353.98 - approved**
- b) **HMRC – £88.40 - approved**
- c) **St Harmon Community Hall – Room Hire - £60- approved**
- d) **T Price – internal Audit - £71.50- approved**
- e) **DV Davies – Rec Field Hedge Cut - £40.80- approved**
- f) **Internal Audit Report**
Resolved: The Council accepted the Internal Audit Report for 2022/23
- g) **Annual Return**
The Clerk presented the Annual Return to the Council for discussion
Resolved: the Council approved the annual return and the Chair signed the form.

- h) S Lipscomb – Easter, Tree Planting - £285.40 - approved
- i) Mid Wales Bouncy Castle – Easter/Banners - £110.00- approved
- j) Mid Wales Bouncy Castle – Coronation - £90.00- approved

SH 63/23

Community Wood Signage

Cllr A Mills had circulated suggested text for signage to designate the Community Woodland. However, he felt that signage should be delayed until next spring to see how the growing progresses. This was agreed.

The Clerk reported expenditure of £47.97 on this project from the Bryn Titli Fund.

SH 64/23

Picnic Bench

The Clerk circulated images of suitable recycled benches for the site by the Recreation Field. Members discussed this thoroughly and agreed to purchase a heavy-duty octagonal table at a cost of £765 plus VAT from the Bryn Titli fund. The site will need to be prepared and this will be arranged shortly. Cllr Williams agreed to take delivery and assemble the bench.

The Clerk will also purchase a commemorative plaque for the bench at a cost of £9.00

SH 65/23

Coronation Event

The Clerk reported that the expenditure to date stands at £2636.93 which includes Band, Hog Roast. A sundries budget of £200 has been allocated by the RFO totaling £2836.93.

It was agreed to cater for 200 people and proceeds from the bar would go to the Community Hall and Buy Out project.

Cllr Williams will amend his poster and re-post it on Facebook.

The Clerk had kept in regular contact with Sam and had suggested that insurance cover be taken out for this specific event. It was also agreed to release the £200 for the band immediately.

Resolved: to pay £200 immediately.

SH 66/23

Other Matters

a) Easter Event

The Clerk reported expenditure of £312.59 for this event. The budget was £500. Sam had provided some photographs of the event to share with Bryn Titli in the council submission. The event had been really successful and the Council thanked Sam for organizing it.

Resolved: to vire the balance of £187.41 to the Coronation Event budget.

b) Over 60's Christmas Lunch

The Clerk asked for contact details for the normal supplier. The Chair had spoken with the owner of Ty Morgans. The Clerk will contact him to get a price per head for two-course meal, coffee & mince pies.