

SULLY AND LAVERNOCK COMMUNITY COUNCIL

REPORT OF THE CLERK TO THE JULY 2017 MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Since the last meeting of the Council it has been a very busy time and my report to the Community Council is as follows:

1. Co-option – Since the last meeting the co-option interviews were held and Philip Baguley was co-opted onto the Council as the additional member for the Lavernock Ward.
2. Village Green Application at Sully Sports and Social Club – Members will be aware of the joint application for Village Green status at the Sully Sports and Social Club. I have received notification from The Vale of Glamorgan Council that the officers were recommending to the Licensing Committee today that it proceed to a non-statutory enquiry and I have spoken to the legal department this afternoon and the Committee have agreed that an independent person be appointed to hear the matter.
3. Machinery Maintenance – All the machines are working without any problem. The rotary mower that I donated to the Council is currently having the blades sharpened
4. Defibrillators – I am pleased to be able to report that the installation of the defibrillator units has commenced. One has been fitted at The Old School and the library and the unit to hold the machine has been fitted outside the Jubilee Hall. I am just waiting for the unit itself to be placed inside it. I am now going to arrange for the plaque to be prepared before fitting it close to the machine. Rhian Thomas has provided me with contact details of someone from St John Ambulance who can arrange training etc. I have written to the Sully Bowls Club who have donated £50. I have also written to Sully Sailing Club requesting a donation and I have also received an application form from the Welsh Church Acts Estate Trust to apply for funds
5. Flag Pole – Members may have noticed the new flagpole outside the Pavilion as they arrived, proudly flying the flag of Glamorgan
6. Sign Posts – Jubilee Hall Lane – I am pleased to be able to report that the signs at the top of the lane down to the Jubilee Hall have now been replaced.
7. Sight Screens – Members will be aware of the issues surrounding the sightcreens and the storage thereof when not in use. This is the subject of a separate agenda item. Needless to say, after the passing of a considerable number of emails between the parties, they have been secured after last weekend's fixtures but only to 3 of the moorings. I also note that after pressure from me the score box roof has been repaired.
8. Jubilee Hall Maintenance – The new worktops in the kitchen at the Jubilee Hall have now been fitted as well as the new skirting board in the main hall. The blinds are due to be fitted tomorrow afternoon. The reason for the delay is that the person making and fitting the blinds has been very ill. Members will note the pictures that I forwarded to them in respect of the cladding around the Jubilee

- Hall. I shall be contacting the contractor later this week to arrange a meeting to discuss this aspect as well as the electrical work that was undertaken by them.
9. Fly Tipping – I have reported an incident of fly tipping down on Hayes Road again to The Vale of Glamorgan Council.
 10. Coastal Path – I sent an email to Gwyn Teague of The Vale of Glamorgan Council regarding the outstanding work on the coastal path some 3 weeks ago but have not received a response. It was discussed with Cllr Penrose and he got an instant response from Mr. Teague advising the work that was still waiting to be undertaken.
 11. Land adjacent to play area at Jubilee Hall – No response has been received as at from the owner of the land.
 12. Smoke Detectors - Pavilion – The smoke detectors at the Pavilion are being installed on Saturday morning as well as the security light at the rear of the Club.
 13. Welsh Water – Welsh Water have been out and replaced the water meter and taps. They have identified that there is still a leak and a further appointment has been made for them to come out and try to locate the leak with their specialist equipment. It is believed the leak is somewhere between the water meter and the Jubilee Hall. I have received a telephone call this afternoon from Welsh Water advising that they will be putting the payments back down to the previous level and if a leak is found then they will work out an allowance towards the cost of the water consumed.
 14. Dog Bins – The dog bins along the coastal path have been installed.
 15. Bank Mandate – At the time of writing these notes I have still not received the bank mandate from Cllr Sylvester despite a reminder. This means I am not able to update the bank mandate until I get all the completed forms back.
 16. Members Register of Interests – I have received all members Register of Members Interest Declarations forms with the exception of Cllr Sylvester. As part of last years audit the external auditors require sight of a copy of all such forms and the details should also be shown on the Council's website.
 17. Annual Return – 2016/17 – Following the approval of the Council's Annual Return for 2017/17 the form and supporting documentation was delivered to the external auditors on Friday 30 June 2017 which was within the time limit.
 18. Public Meeting. The turn out of members of the Council was good to see with only one member not attending. It was a very lively meeting and William Richards spoke well on behalf of the Council in relation to the incinerators. Cllr Tatt also spoke well and gave an update on the allotments site. Cllr Garland gave an excellent presentation on the wakeboarding proposal at Cosmeston.
 19. Benches on South Road/Lavernock Road – A few weeks ago I contacted Cllr Penrose about the disgusting state of the benches and length of grass along South Road and Lavernock Road. The benches have been in a bad state of repair for a number of years. Within a few days the benches had been painted and the grass cut.
 - 20 Sully Library – The Chair and I visited the Secretary of the Sully Sports and Social Club on behalf of the Council to discuss the installation of the proposed car wash facility and how it would affect the library access. The lease has been assigned to this Community Council and there is no sub-lease as some people

would believe so it is this Council's responsibility to deal with issues arising from that Lease. The library Trust has a Licence to Occupy. There are some potential issues and the matter has been referred onto the Council's solicitors for further advice.

20. Bowling Green Benches – Six new benches have been acquired for the bowling green and are in the process of being installed and the bowling club will be making a donation of 50% of the cost
21. Vale Madrid – I have been approached by a local football team who are just starting out to use the football pitch facilities in the winter. They have joined one of the local leagues and several of the members live in the Sully and Lavernock area. I have advised them that they will not be able to start their home fixtures until after the last league cricket match.
22. Service Level Agreement – During a recent meeting that I had with Ms Marles we discussed the possible re-implementation of the service level agreement with the local authority to provide inter alia, legal assistance. This will be particularly useful in formalising agreements with users by way of Licenses and I would advise the Council that we take advantage of this service.

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