Sully and Lavernock Community Council Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council

11 December 2018 at 6.15pm at The Pavilion, Burnham Avenue, Sully.

Present: Cllrs Barlow, Garland, Jones, Scaglioni, Thomas, Sylvester, Oaten, Tatt and the Acting Clerk

	Ref No.	Minutes	Matters Discussed	Action.
1	142/2019	Apologies for Absence	Cllr Baguley	
2	143/2019	Declarations of Interest	Cllr Sylvester declared he was a member of the Sully Centurions Cricket Club	
3	144/2019	To receive the report of the representative of the Vale of Glamorgan County council	Cllrs Penrose was unable to attend and sent his apologies	
Democratic Session		cratic Session	 Four residents were present. The costs of suspending the Clerk were asked for again. Both the Acting Clerk and the Chair reiterated they were unable to comment on this matter. The lack of installation of a defibrillator in Cog road was raised. It was confirmed that Council had agreed to delay installation until the Taylor Wimpey development had been completed. An update on the progress of the Outside Gym & Strong Community Grant Application was requested. The Chair informed the meeting that the maximum costs of installing a gym would be £85K and that SLCC 	

			 would be expected to provide 10% of the costs. It was agreed that Council would set aside £8.5k from next years precept for the project. The question of whether there were plans to update the Jubilee Play Area, in conjunction with the installation of an outside gym, was raised. There are currently no plans for the Play Area apart from painting the playground equipment. However, Cllrs agreed that the Finance Working Group should look into the possibility of obtaining a grant to update the playground – the example of the wooden pirate boat at Fontygary was cited as an example of what was available. The Acting Clerk advised the Cllrs that grant application was time consuming and could not be done in a rush. In order to be successful, applications must be robust and be backed by research and properly thought out plans. She also informed Cllrs that courses on how to apply for grants was available via One Voice Wales. Cllr Garland advised that the Democratic Session was not subject to the same rules as the rest of the meeting. The Acting Clerk was asked to make enquiries. Accordingly, Cllr Barlow informed the meeting that he did not understand why the cost of the suspended Clerk could not be disclosed, when the salaries of the Caerphilly Borough Council Officers had been made available to all via the Western Mail newspaper recently. The Acting Clerk had made initial enquires and had been informed that the Caerphilly officers were high ranking officers whose salaries were in the public domain anyway and were subject to different terms and conditions than a Community Clerk. A full explanation was awaited from the Vale lawyer who is advising SLCC. 	Finance Working Group Acting Clerk
4	145/2019	To approve the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held 13 November 2018	The minutes were approved.	
5	146/2019	To consider Matters Arising from minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held 13 November 2018.	It was agreed that planning for installation of Christmas Tree and lights should be planned in November and not left to the last minute. This would be the way forward for next year.	

6	147/2019	To consider the report of the Chair of the Council.	20s Plenty – It was agreed that the Leader of the Vale Council and Mr Clogg (a Vale Transport Officer) should be approached again and asked to meet with Cllr Tatt. The objective being to discuss the recent national report on the effects on traffic in areas where a 20MPH limit had been imposed. The Chair questioned how staff salaries would be paid if Council meetings were cancelled at short notice and payments not approved. It was agreed that in an emergency situation such payments could be approved by three signatories.	Clir Tatt
7	148/2019	To receive the report of the Acting Clerk to the Council.	The Acting Clerk notified the meeting that she had arranged for the Vale's enforcement officers to patrol the sports field to issue on the spot fines to anyone not picking up after their dogs. Cllr Tatt asked for Western Avenue to be included in the patrol area. Cllrs asked to be informed of dates and time of patrols.	Acting Clerk
8	149/219	To consider correspondence received.	 A resident has asked for action to be taken regarding the mix of traffic and pedestrians using the narrow lane down to Jubilee Hall. She had been clipped on the arm by a passing car. The Cllrs discussed the matter and it was agreed that there was nothing that could be done to help. Cars and pedestrians used the lane every day and thankfully a 'give and take' attitude was employed by most. An email regarding the unprofessional cutting back of trees by a resident in the area behind Dispenser Lane had been received and referred to the Vale. A response to the Council's email regarding sold land behind Dunster Cottage had been received from the Vale. The land had been sold by the Committee of the Estates of the Church in Wales at the correct value. The committee confirmed that they were entitled to sell the land to who ever they wished. 	
9	150/219	To consider Health & Safety Matters	The vermin problem at Jubilee Hall had been dealt with. None of the external or internal bait boxes had been disturbed since they were installed so the matter was hopefully a one-off appearance. External bait boxes would now remain in place and be maintained on a regular basis. In addition, the wall with	Acting Clerk, Chair

14	156/219	time of the next Council meeting.	Tuesday 8 January 2019.	
13	155/219	19 To consider matters that the Chair considers should be urgently referred to the Council.	No matters referred.	
12	154/219	19 To consider and approve payments	Payments were approved, and cheques signed.	
11	152/219	19 To consider the reports of the representatives on the external bodies	No further reports to consider, since the November Council Meeting	
10	151/219	To consider the reports of the meeting of the working groups.	the hole in it would be attended to as a matter of priority. The Acting Clerk and Chair were given authority to proceed with less than three quotes if necessary. It was noted that the Finance Working Group had met on 27 November 2018 and was satisfied that the Council had enough funding to last to the end of the financial year. The recommendations of the Finance Working Group were approved. No meeting of the Personnel, Planning or Playing Fields Working Groups had taken place.	

Approved by Council on 29 January 2019.