

Llanfihangel Rhydithon Community Council

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting held on Thursday 18th May 2017

Present: Cllrs. K Bufton (Vice-Chairman), R Thomas, R Shelton, E Newman, R Stuart- Lyon, R Watkins & C Cllr H Lewis

Also present: Mr R Trend

1 Apologies: Cllr D Lewis

2 Minutes of meeting held on 13th Apr 2017:

- These were approved and signed by the Chairman.

3 Matters arising:

- The letter to HOWLTA written by Cllr Shelton was approved by the Councillors.
- The link to the financial management webinar is on the One Voice Wales website.

4 Correspondence:

- None.

5 Finance:

The Clerk presented the audited accounts for the last financial year to the council. Cllr R Shelton proposed their approval; Cllr R Thomas seconded the proposal. No bill for the election costs has arrived yet, the first instalment of the precept (£1050) has been received.

6 Consideration of the following matters:

6.1 Code of Conduct Training; Council discussed the requirement for Code of Conduct training and agreed that all councilors would benefit from some training but felt that the cost and location of the formal training from One Voice Wales made it unsuitable. Clerk to contact Tracey Price, clerk of multiple local councils, to see if she would consider running an informal training event. It was also agreed to add 'declaration of interest' to future agendas immediately following receipt of apologies.

AOB:

- Draft contract of employment for the new Clerk was read out and approved by the Council.
- Clerk to write a letter of thanks to the retiring Councillors to thank them for their service.
- Clerk to write a letter of thanks to the provider of the barriers which enable elections to take place during the school term, Cllr Bufton to provide contact details.
- Hywel updated the Council about Powys County Council, including news that Independent Councillor Rosemary Harris has been elected leader of the council and an agreement had been struck between the Independents and the Conservatives to enable a majority to be achieved.
- Cllr Bufton informed the Council that the school is growing well and now has 42 students. The children are enjoying their Kenya topic this term and the two teachers are about to set off for two weeks teaching in a Kenyan school.

8 Date of next meeting: 15th June 2017 (Cllr R Thomas gave his apologies for the next meeting)