

Selattyn and Gobowen Parish Council

Minutes of the Finance and Executive Committee Meeting held on 04.10.16 at The Pavilion, Gobowen commencing at 18.00

In the Chair – Councillor Ellis

Present: - Councillors: S. Crow, D. Lloyd MBE, P. Cherrington, H. Ellis, I. Bennett

62/FE/16	<p>To receive apologies for absence</p> <p>RESOLVED to accept apologies for absence from Cllrs: West-Wynn.</p> <p>Absent - Cllr E. Morgan</p>
63/FE/16	<p>Disclosable Pecuniary Interests</p> <p>a) Declaration of any disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter to be discussed at the meeting and which is not included in the register of interests. None declared.</p> <p>b) To consider any applications for dispensation. None received.</p>
64/FE/16	<p>To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 14.06.16.</p> <p>It was RESOLVED to confirm the minutes of the Finance and Executive Committee Meeting held on 14.06.16 and were approved and duly signed as a true record.</p>
65/FE/16	<p>Progress report – For consideration. It was RESOLVED to note the report.</p>
66/FE/16	<p>2016-17 Accounts – To consider 2nd quarter budget report and 2nd quarter reconciliation.</p> <p>It was RESOLVED to note the budget reports and reconciliation.</p>
67/FE/16	<p>Council Tax Referendum Principles – Discuss proposed amends.</p> <p>The following points were discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The percentage is too low. • Cllrs are volunteers that give up their time for their community • Council Tax Support Grant no longer supplied • The Parish has the one and only solar light in Selattyn • The Parish Council already give grants – invest money back into the parish • The Parish Council run and manage their own Allotments, Magazine, Playground, Open Space <p>The Local Authority have dropped the following services and the Parish Council now continue with them:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Meals • CCTV • Library <p>The proposals were discussed and it was RESOLVED to oppose the amends and to send a letter to the Rt Hon Owen Paterson MP and the Minister addressing the Parish Council’s concerns. This should be done immediately due to the urgency. It was FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk is to draft responses to the survey to be agreed at Full Council.</p>

68/FE/16	<p>Mayor visiting the Parish – Agree to send a letter to the Town Council</p> <p>It was RESOLVED to RECOMMEND that a letter be sent to Oswestry Town Council stating: “If their major is attending any Civic duties within our parish council, please notify us in advance and seek our consent”.</p>
69/FE/16	<p>Partnership Working – Discuss Opportunities</p> <p>It was noted that this is difficult to administer in a centralised way. It was RESOLVED that if opportunities present themselves to work in collaboration with joint benefits, the Parish Council would consider these opportunities as and when they arise on an individual basis.</p>
70/FE/16	<p>Staff Training – Discuss Requests</p> <p>Training requests from the Clerk and Assistant to the Parish Clerk were discussed.</p> <p>Assistant to the Parish Clerk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ROSPA Training - The Clerk reported that she is currently in the process of trying to arrange a training session for March in Gobowen for other Clerks to attend. If there is a cost to the Council, it was RESOLVED that the Assistant to the Parish Clerk attend but should there be a cost to the Council, that this be discussed further with the view that he may be required to pay a percentage of the cost. • First Aid Training– It was RESOLVED that the Assistant to the Parish Clerk research into a course he would like to attend and present this to the Council when the cost of suitability will be discussed further. • Pavilion Maintenance – It was RESOLVED to continue to refer any maintenance matters to Phil Crow and no training to be provided at this time for staff to carry out maintenance work. <p>Clerk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CILCA – The Clerk reported that the cost to enrol is £250 and SALC run 4 training sessions in the year at a cost of £60 per session. It was RESOLVED to RECOMMEND that the Clerk enrol and start the CILC qualification and attend the training sessions as they have been budgeted for in this financial year.
71/FE/16	<p>Date and time of the next meeting – to note. Tuesday 6th December – 6.00pm.</p>
72/FE/16	<p>Exclusion of press and public</p> <p>To resolve: That in accordance with s1(2) Public Bodies (Admission of Meetings) Act 1960, members of the public and press be excluded from the remainder of the meeting on the grounds that the following items to be considered involves the likely disclosure of confidential information.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">a) Expenses Policy – to discuss.</p> <p>It was RESOLVED to RECOMMEND that an expenses policy be adopted by the Council.</p>

Meeting ended: 19.24