

# ***Selattyn and Gobowen Parish Council***

## **Minutes of the meeting of the Finance & Executive Committee on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019 at the Pavilion, Gobowen at 6.00pm**

**Present:** Cllr Ellis, Cllr Macey, Cllr Evans, Cllr Morgan (late)

**Members of the public:** 0

<b>203</b>	<p><b>To receive Apologies for Absence</b> Cllr Bird, Cllr Crow, Cllr West Wynn, Cllr Emery</p> <p>Cllr Ellis proposed Cllr Macey to chair the meeting, seconded by Cllr Evans. <b>AGREED</b></p>
<b>204</b>	<p><b>Disclosable Pecuniary Interests</b></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>
<b>205</b>	<p><b>To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 26.06.19</b> <b>Proposed Cllr Ellis, Seconded Cllr Evans</b></p> <p><b>AGREED to CONFIRM. The minutes were signed.</b></p>
<b>206</b>	<p><b>Cemetery &amp; Facilities Officer</b></p> <p>a) Report on actual hours worked against allocation Cllr Macey proposed to RECOMMEND to full council to pay additional hours accrued as per contract of employment and, going forward, to offer an additional hour per week on CFO contract. CFO to be asked to continue with hour sheets for the next couple of months. Seconded Cllr Evans and AGREED Agenda item for staff hours in general (both posts) on next F&amp;E agenda.</p>
<b>207</b>	<p><b>Financial matters</b></p> <p>a) External auditor's report – the Clerk was thanked for her efforts with the Year End. The report was NOTED. This would be posted on the website as required by law.</p> <p>b) Ear-marked and general reserves – Clerk explained the reserves currently held are in excess of those appropriate. It was important to go forward with already planned works in the current financial year and consideration should be given to a five year plan (current document ends in 2020) so that budgets can be formulated for the next three years.</p> <p>Items put forward for the five year plan included: remedies for speeding issues (gates at the entrances to the parish – possible Police &amp; Crime Commissioner funding, vehicle activated signage); additional bus shelters; information and Parish Council signage.</p> <p>Cllr Macey proposed a business plan set over 5 years (with 3 yr budget) to include new bus shelters on St Martins Road and outside Orthopaedic Hospital and vehicle activated speed signs on Whittington Road, Chirk Road, Hengoed Road (past Hengoed Park) and St Martins Road, Selattyn, any other sites deemed appropriate, – in the first year. Also, entrance gates to communities with signage. Seconded by Cllr Morgan it was agreed to RECOMMEND to full council.</p> <p>Cllr Ellis raised the matter of financial support for the War Memorial Booklet – it was agreed for the proforma invoice to be presented at the full council meeting.</p>

208	<p><b>Green Policy</b></p> <p>a) To consider draft policies – Cllr Morgan proposed the formation of a task and finish group to be agreed at full council, with the remit to draft a statement of intent in the first instance and also, to draft a policy. Seconded Cllr Macey. AGREED</p> <p>Suggestions of items to improve the environmental status of the parish included possible fencing of children’s play area to prevent dog fouling and post and rail fencing around the pitches to allow clear demarcation of the areas.</p> <p>It was also raised that an area of land attached to scrub land, with access from School Lane was thought to be owned by the council. It was AGREED to hold a meeting with Wilf (Cllr Ellis and Macey to arrange). A further agenda item for November meeting</p> <p>b) Tree planting – to note</p> <p>c) Charging point for electric vehicles to consider – it was AGREED to move to Business plan and confer with neighbouring parishes. (Oswestry Area Committee – to ask for the matter to be on next agenda).</p>
209	Date and time of next meeting – Wednesday 27 November 2019 at 6pm

Meeting closed at 7:30pm