

ROSEMARKET COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held online on
Monday 6th December 2021

Present: Cllrs Jill Gibson (vice-Chairman), John O’Boyle, David Hancock (Chairman), Steve Davies, Tamsin Moore; Peter Horton (Clerk);

Apologies : C’lrr Caroline Haley.

NOTE – The meeting was held online via the Zoom video-conferencing platform, and chaired by C’lrr David Hancock.

Declarations of known interests

None.

Approval of the minutes of the November 2021 monthly meeting

The minutes were approved as an accurate record, and held by the Clerk for signature by the Chairman following the meeting (proposer C’lrr Jill Gibson, seconder C’lrr Steve Davies).

Public Forum

No members of the public were present.

Matters arising

Speed-activated signage. Nothing further heard about the installation of the sign.

Tree on The Beacon. A response had been received from the local resident, to say his wall needed extensive repairs. Members agreed for C’lrr David Hancock to visit him, photograph the wall, and accept responsibility for repairs to the wall, based on an agreement over the extent of work required. Then, ask the resident to get three quotations for the repairs for consideration by the Council.

Chapel grass-cutting. C’lrr Steve Davies indicated that the fund was in the process of being passed to some local residents, who would be caring for the grass-cutting in the future.

Defibrillators – The Clerk confirmed that he was in discussion with Calon Hearts over arrangements for them to inspect the defibrillators.

Green Lane. The Clerk had not heard back from P.C.C. following the message sent after the November meeting. Clerk to chase up a response before the January meeting. C’lrr Jill Gibson had been in conversation with the resident who had raised the matter, and she had understood the challenges involved in improving the lane.

Grass-cutting on The Beacon. Work had been completed on grass-cutting and hedge-cutting. Members agreed to leave it to contact One Stop Property Development as and when the grass should need cutting again.

Community Policing. In hand for C’lrr John O’Boyle to see the local Neighbourhood Policing Officer to update him on the current situation in the Community.

Play climbing frame. The Clerk confirmed that he had now obtained three quotations for a new climbing frame. Clerk to retain these for the time being, until a decision was made on the replacement of the existing climbing frame.

Planning matters

There were no plans for discussion this month.

Correspondence

1) Local resident – further correspondence regarding trees on The Beacon – dealt with in ‘Matters Arising’ above.

- 2) Grandiflora – Quotations for trees – dealt with in agenda item below.
- 3) Local Tree Warden – Offer of trees for community planting schemes – dealt with in agenda item below.

Accounts

Payments

One Stop Property Developments (grass-cutting)	:	£240-00
Clerk (salary October – December 2021)	:	As per contract
H.M.R.C. (P.A.Y.E. tax on Clerk’s salary)	:	As per contract
Clerk (incidental expenses June – November 2021)	:	£ 99-95

The above payments were approved (proposer C’lir Tamsin Moore, seconder C’lir Steve Davies).

Discussion of Community tree-planting scheme

Members discussed the quotation from Grandiflora. It was thought likely based on the indicative prices that the quotation would probably exceed £1000, thus requiring additional quotations for comparison. C’lir Jill Gibson mentioned that she was in contact with another provider who might be able to offer a suitable alternative option. With respect to the Council Tree Warden, it was uncertain exactly what was on offer. Clerk to ask him about what exactly was on offer in terms of additional items such as for tree protection, planting, etc., and circulate this to Members when received. C’lir Jill Gibson to ask the supplier she was in contact with similarly. This would hopefully produce the three quotations quickly, thus enabling the scheme to progress without undue delay.

Discussion of memorial to Barbara Summons’ contribution to Community affairs

It was confirmed that the benches available from Honeyborough Garden Centre were expected to be in stock again in the Spring. The Clerk confirmed that quotations were still awaited for the concrete slab. Further discussion deferred until January.

Discussion of arrangements for painting of fence around recycling area

Members commented that it was now a difficult time of year to carry out this work, due to the inclement weather. Members were in agreement to defer the matter until the New Year, and then do some clearance at the earliest opportunity in preparation for painting in the Spring.

Discussion of carriageway problems at Watery Lane and Barn Lane

C’lir Jill Gibson had been approached by a local resident concerned about the condition of the carriageway at Watery Lane. It had been noted that this was deteriorating significantly, with some large potholes, especially towards the upper section. It was thought that the problem may have been made worse by some poorly executed drainage works some years previously. Clerk to report this to P.C.C. In Barn Lane, reports had been received of a possible problem with the bridge below the recycling area. The Clerk confirmed that this had been reported, and the bridge inspected. No issues with the structure had been found. P.C.C. had said they would keep the bridge on their routine schedule for maintenance, but had no concerns over its condition.

Any Other Business

January meeting. Members agreed to hold the meeting on Tuesday 4th January, to avoid a clash with the New Year’s Day bank holiday.

Date of next meeting

Tuesday 4th January, to be held online using the Zoom videoconferencing platform.

The meeting concluded at 7-50pm.