

Minutes of the 2019 Annual General Meeting of Johnston Community Council held on Monday 13th May 2019 in Johnston Institute.

Present: Cllrs N. James, Jeffries, K. Rowlands, B. Morgan, N. Philpott, F. James, L. Jones; Peter Horton (Clerk).

Apologies for absence: C’llrs Spilsbury, Young, Wilkins, Pratt, Warlow

[Note – The meeting was opened by outgoing vice-Chair C’lIr Philpott, in the absence of the outgoing Chair C’lIr Spilsbury].

9771 – declaration of known interests

C’lIr Rowlands mentioned that he would be declaring a conflict of interest if the matter of the common boundary between his property and Johnston Hall was discussed.

9772 - Election of Chairman for 2018/19 Members voted to elect C’lIr Philpott as Chairman (Proposer C’lIr Rowlands, seconder C’lIr Neil James).

9773 - Election of vice-Chair

Members voted to elect C’lIr Rowlands as vice-Chair (Proposer C’lIr Jeffries, seconder C’lIr Philpott).

9774 – Appointment of planning committee

Members voted not to appoint a planning committee for the forthcoming year, as there had been no need for this in recent years. (Proposer C’lIr Rowlands, seconder C’lIr Morgan).

9775 – Financial report for 2018/19

The following financial report was presented to Members :

Balance brought forward to April 2018	:	£45474-80
Total expenditure	:	£27683-12
Total income for year	:	£33966-64
Balance carried forward to April 2019	:	£51758-32

9776 - Council’s representatives on outside bodies.

The following appointments were approved by Members :

- **One Voice Wales** – C’llrs Rowlands and Philpott (Proposer C’lIr Neil James, seconder C’lIr Morgan).
- **Pembrokeshire Rail Travellers’ Association** - Cllr Morgan (Proposer C’lIr Rowlands, seconder C’lIr Philpott).

- **Governing Body of Johnston C.P. School** - Cllr Philpott (Proposer C'Ilr Rowlands, seconder C'Ilr Morgan).
- **Age Concern Pembrokeshire** - Cllr Rowlands (Proposer C'Ilr Jeffries, seconder C'Ilr Neil James).
- **Police consultative committee** – C'Ilrs Philpott and Rowlands (Proposer C'Ilr Jeffries, seconder C'Ilr Neil James).
- **Johnston Sports Association** - Cllr Pratt (Proposer C'Ilr Neil James, seconder C'Ilr Fran. James).
- **Johnston Institute Committee** - Cllrs Neil James, Rowlands, Jeffries and Philpott (Proposer C'Ilr Fran. James, seconder C'Ilr Jones).
- **Bolton Hill Quarry Liaison Committee** - No committee appointed.
- **Johnston Scout Group Hall Management Committee** – No committee appointed.
- **Johnston Development Trust** – C'Ilrs Neil James, Rowlands and Jeffries (Proposer C'Ilr Rowlands, seconder C'Ilr Fran. James).
- **Johnston Community Spirit** - C'Ilrs Philpott, Jones and Pratt (Proposer C'Ilr Rowlands, seconder C'Ilr Neil James).

9777 - Adoption of policies for year

Environment Policy and Equal Opportunities Policy. Members voted to keep these policies unchanged.

Strategic Investment Policy 2019/20

Members voted to adopt the policy as amended.

Model code of conduct for Members. It was noted that the Model Code of Conduct was unchanged, so no formal re-adoption was necessary.

All the above policies were approved by Members (Proposer C'Ilr Jeffries, seconder C'Ilr Philpott).

9778 – Adoption of Standing Orders

The Standing Orders as amended were adopted by Members and signed by the Chair (Proposer C'Ilr Neil James, seconder C'Ilr Rowlands).

9779 – Approval / updating of Community Asset Register

It was noted that the asset register had been reviewed by the Clerk, and was up to date.

9780 – Approval / updating of Members’ register of interests

It was noted that Members present had reviewed / revised their interest forms for placement by the Clerk on the register. Clerk to liaise with the remaining Members regarding their forms.

9781 – Approval / updating of Community Risk assessment

It was noted that the Community Risk Assessment had been completed in March 2019. Actions arising from this to be discussed in the monthly meeting agenda.

9782 - Consideration of authorisations for Members’ allowances (ref. Independent Remuneration Panel report 2019)

It was noted that these determinations had been agreed in the January 2019 monthly meeting.

C’llr Rowlands was scheduled to attend a meeting the following day in County Hall, and intended to mention that Members were often embarrassed to accept the allowances on offer under the existing arrangement, and that the Welsh Government should shoulder its responsibility to devise a better, reimbursement-based system. Members agreed that these comments could be put forward as the formal view of the Community Council (Proposer C’llr Morgan, seconder C’llr Jeffries).

The 2019 A.G.M. was closed at 19-20 pm.

Signed.....Chairman

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