

## **WICK COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

A meeting of Wick Community Council was held on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2022 at  
Wick Sports Pavilion

	<b>MEETING OPENED:</b> The Chair opened the meeting at 7.30pm.
	<b>MEMBERS PRESENT:</b>
	Cllr D Ambrose, Cllr C Hawkins, Cllr P Murphy, Cllr J Williams, Cllr J Purcell, Cllr R Thomas-Challenger and Cllr R Goddin. Cllrs C Stallard Vale Ward Councillor Apologies were received from Cllr J Protheroe, Vale Ward Councillor
<b>22.121</b>	<b>PUBLIC SESSION</b>
22.121.01	There were no members of the public present
<b>22.122</b>	<b>POLICE REPORT</b>
22.122.01	Pc Williamson reported that there had been one reported crime in the area since our last meeting, the theft of 27 hedging plants from Broughton.
<b>22.123</b>	<b>DECLARATION OF INTEREST:</b>
22.123.01	None
<b>22.124</b>	<b>MINUTES OF OUR LAST MEETING</b>
22.124.01	The minutes of the November 2022 meeting were discussed. Councillor Murphy objected to the minutes, complaining that important matters in respect of the pizza oven had not been included. Cllr Murphy had brought a suggested wording which he would like included in the minutes. The clerk responded that the discussion on the pizza oven had taken about an hour and had been condensed to a few paragraphs which could be read in less than a minute. It was agreed to add Cllr Murphy's suggested paragraph to the minutes. Subject to that amendment the minutes were agreed. Proposed Cllr J Williams, Seconded Cllr R Goddin Councillor Murphy proposed that we should discontinue publishing the draft minutes and publish only the required decision notice instead. Following discussion it was agreed to continue publishing the draft minutes which the Chair would also check.
<b>22.125</b>	<b>MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MEETING</b>
22.125.01	Pizza Oven – The Chair revisited the proposal on the pizza oven carried at the last meeting which, on examination, appeared to go against our standing orders in that at our September meeting we had agreed not to take responsibility for the pizza oven. There was a lengthy discussion on this matter. The Clerk reported that he had sought advice from the Vale Council about removal and selling or scrapping of the pizza oven. The installation had been part of a Section 106 Public Art requirement - could we legally remove it and if we did how would the Public Art requirement be fulfilled? A reply had been received from Adam Sergeant who had authorised the installation, offering to seek a resolution as an alternative to disposal. No response had yet been received from the S106 officer. A response had also been received from Studio Response, part of which suggested reporting the Clerk for a breach of the Councillor Code of Conduct for criticism of Studio Response.

	<p>It was agreed to wait for a response from the S106 officer and to take up Adam Sergeant's offer of discussion to see if a resolution can be reached.</p>
22.125.02	<p>Railings on the Village Green. Councillor Williams had circulated an email from Archie Rose. The Duchy did not support the planting of trees at that location but would consider paying for the replacement of the railings and would seek a further quote for the work.</p> <p>He had also offered an easement for us to plant trees on Duchy land providing the Community Council accepted responsibility for maintaining them. It was agreed that the Community Council would accept responsibility for trees at locations yet to be determined.</p> <p><b>Action</b> Cllr Ambrose to liaise with Mr Rose about the easement and location of the trees.</p>
22.125.03	<p>Public Benches The Clerk reported that this work was still to be completed having been held up by poor weather conditions..</p>
22.125.04	<p>Coronation. To be actioned in the New Year</p>
22.125.05	<p>Dog fouling notices. The Clerk reported that the Vale had put 6 notices up.</p>
22.125.06	<p>Disabled access to Playground on Village Green. Councillor Williams had met with a builder and was now awaiting a contact in the Vale Council to seek advice on replacing the kissing gate. Cllr Stallard will pass on details of the appropriate officer.</p>
22.125.07	<p>Muga gate latch. The Vale Council was in discussions with the installer over a replacement latch</p>
<b>22.126</b>	<b>FINANCE</b>
22.126.01	<p>Cllr Murphy had sent a report that as of today, WCC have £2668.48 in the current account and £20076.13 in the savings account. These figures reconcile with the council's own records.</p> <p>The Clerk reported that he had banked £266.70 pavilion income yesterday and was currently issuing further invoices.</p>
22.126.02	<p>Cllr Murphy had circulated proposals for an increase in the precept and a review of this year's budget to date. Assuming that we take a lease on the Sports Pavilion there could be a deficit of £3000 next year. He set out various options and recommended an increase in the precept, including the costs per household of any increase. There was a lengthy discussion on various proposals for an increase, during which all councillors participated. It was emphasised that any of the proposals for an increase would mean as low as an extra £5 a year per household for a band D home.</p> <p>There was also discussion on how any proposal to increase the precept should show how it would benefit the community. Councillors were all of the view that the community wanted us to retain the pavilion and playing field for the benefit of the community. There was agreement that we should</p>

	<p>issue a newsletter in the New Year setting out our proposals. Cllr Murphy would write an article for the website and newsletter.</p> <p>There was a proposal to increase the precept from £6000 to £9000</p> <p>Proposed Cllr P Murphy Seconded Cllr J Purcell</p> <p>It was agreed to defer a vote on this until the January meeting after a website entry and a newsletter had been issued.</p>
<b>22.127</b>	<b>PLANNING MATTERS</b>
22.127.01	<p><b>Decisions</b></p> <p>2021/01081/Full Location : Land at St. Brides Road, Wick</p> <p>Proposal : Residential development of 17 no. affordable units, including new access, landscaping, drainage arrangements and associated works</p> <p><b>Approved</b></p>
22.127.02	<p><b>Applications</b></p> <p>2022/01275/FUL (VI) Location : 6 Ewenny Road, Wick Proposal : Replacement frames and roof to existing porch to the front elevation. No observations.</p>
<b>22.128</b>	<b>CORRESPONDENCE</b>
22.128.01	<p>Wick Wolves – Proposals for storage facilities.</p> <p>There was a discussion on this proposal for a storage shed at the side of the Pavilion. It was pointed out that we were not currently in a position to grant or refuse any such request. This could change when the terms of our lease on the grounds was known. The Vale has previously granted permission for a storage container on the sports field. There was a discussion on the need for storage facilities for the Community Council and other organisations in the village. The only storage facilities at the Pavilion were currently occupied by the now defunct Wick Rugby Club. There was a need to review storage requirements generally.</p> <p><b>Action</b> The clerk to approach former members of Wick Rugby Club to ask them to vacate the storage room.</p> <p>Clerk to enquire with Wick Wolves as to whether the conditions of their grant would permit shared storage facilities.</p> <p>Clerk to inform Wick Wolves that we are not currently in a position to give permission for this as there are a number of storage issues to be resolved and we were still awaiting the terms of our lease.</p>
22.128.02	<p>Vale of Glamorgan Council - Cycle markings for children. There was support for creating a cycle training area at the Pavilion.</p> <p><b>Action</b> Clerk to discuss options with the Vale</p>
22.128.03	<p>Welsh Government – Election review and Administration White Paper. - Noted</p>
22.128.04	<p>Public Service Ombudsman’s report Noted</p>
22.128.05	<p>Wales Air Ambulance - Request for funding.</p> <p>Agreed £100</p> <p>Proposed Cllr P Murphy Seconded Cllr J Purcell</p>

<b>22.129</b>	<b>REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE COMMITTEES etc</b>
22.129.01	Cllr Purcell reported on a productive meeting of the Village Hall Committee when the cost of energy was discussed.
<b>22.130</b>	<b>SPORTS PAVILION AND MUGA</b>
22.130.01	Had been dealt with elsewhere on the agenda
<b>22.131</b>	<b>OTHER BUSINESS</b>
22.131.01	Condition of roads in the Wick area – Cllr Williams raised the poor condition of the roads in the area, particularly David Street and Trepit Road. <b>Action</b> Cllr Ambrose would report via website
22.131.02	Cllr Murphy had reported that the Church intended to replace their defective defibrillator
<b>22.132</b>	<b>DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING</b>
22.132.01	It was agreed that the next meeting would take place on Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> January 2023 at 7.30pm - Hybrid Meeting.
Clerk signature Date	