



FREYSTROP COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 10 February 2025
in the Village Hall at 19:00

1. Attendance & Apologies

- Freystrop Community Councillors: E Utting (Vice Chair), A M Simpson, T F Holder, M R Harries
- Freystrop Community Council Clerk: R D Lavis
- Pembrokeshire County Councillor (Llangwm Ward): M J John
- Apology: Councillor D S Harries, vacation
- Apology: Councillor W D Thomas, recuperation
- Members of the public: Mr P Pugh

2. Welcome

- In the absence of the Chair Councillor E Utting took the Chair for the duration of the meeting
- All were welcomed to the February meeting of Freystrop Community Council

3. FCC Policy on Declarations of Interest

- It was requested that interests are declared at appropriate points in discussions

4. Presentations & Questions from the Public

- No questions had been submitted in advance

5. Minutes of the 13 January 2025 Monthly Meeting

- The minutes of the meeting were passed as a true representation
 - Proposed: A M Simpson Seconded: T F Holder

6. Matters Arising

- No matters were raised

7. Correspondence

- PCC draft corporate strategy 2025-2030 & well-being objectives
- Democratic health of community and town councils report
- Buckingham Palace Garden Parties 7th & 20th May
- Pure West Radio request to be sent community news, minutes, etc

8. Highways & Rights of Way

- Speed Restrictors on Targate Road
 - The clerk has started work on the Minor Works application
- Update on suggestion to stop garden waste being dumped alongside Silverstream footpath
 - Councillor T F Holder would speak to the householder concerned

9. Planning Matters

- 24/0842/PA Windyridge
 - Awaiting decision
- 24/0567/PA Greenfields
 - Awaiting decision

10. Cemetery

- No comments

11. Bus Shelters, Kiosk & Other Assets

- The clerk has started to tidy and make safe the kiosk's book swop

12. Training/Seminars & Presentations

- Understanding Section 106 Planning Obligations. 12 February, £40
 - Councillor A M Simpson and the clerk requested approval to book a ticket to attend this training
 - Unanimous approval
- Briefing on new draft Regional Transport Plan. 13 February
 - Councillor M J John urged all to participate





13. FCC Administration

- OVW Digital Maturity Assessment
 - To be completed
- Community Survey 2024 submitted
 - The clerk will prepare a summary of the responses
- Audit Wales Fee Scheme 2025-26
 - All charges are now hourly and vary depending on the grade of the auditor required
- Financial Regulations
 - 2025 version prepared based on latest model
 - The clerk requested all Councillors read and feedback on the contents as there were significant responsibilities for them and important authorisations given to the clerk
- Boundary Commission for Wales Final Recommendations
 - The merger of the three Community Councils forming PCC's Llangwm ward was rejected
 - Small changes to rectify the boundary of FCC were suggested
 - The recommendations will go forward for ministerial approval
 - Councillor M J John thanked FCC for co-ordinating the joint meeting of the three Ccs and in particular Councillor W D Thomas for his SWOT analysis
 - Councillor W D Thomas wished to express his thanks to Councillor M J John for his support and work done to reject the initial proposals

14. FCC Financial Matters

- Receipts January 2025
 - Interest £16.83
- Payments January 2025
 - Bank charges £5.00
 - Clerk salary 8 September – 31 December 2024 £611.89
 - Cleddau Press – Newsletter - £230
- Upcoming Payments February
 - Nil
- Transfer of reserved funds to Freystrop Village
 - The clerk requested a renewal of the approval to transfer the funds held by FCC on behalf of FVH to the FVH. This to be done by the end of this financial year. The funds would remain ring-fenced in the FVH accounts
 - Proposed: T F Holder Seconded: M R Harries
- 2025/26 Budget
 - Precept request of £12,000 submitted to PCC
- Bank accounts
 - Current Account Balance: £3,069.39 at 03/02/25
 - Deposit Account Balance: £10,689.28 at 03/02/25

15. Community

- 10th Great British Spring Clean. 21 March – 6 April
 - This is a Keep Britain Tidy initiative

16. Other Matters

- County Councillor's Report
 - Pembrokeshire County Councillor M J John update
 - PCC Budget 2025/26; There is a deficit of ~£26m. Cabinet are recommending a 9.8% rise to Council Tax
 - Dyfed Powys Police are setting an 8.6% rise to their precept
 - 20mph review: PCC still reviewing
 - There is a Flood Risk Strategy Consultation in progress
 - The St David's Day March in Haverfordwest will take place on the 7th
- One Voice Wales
 - Draft minutes of the Pembrokeshire Area Committee meeting of 13 January received
 - OVW AGM Online 11 March
- White House Farm Solar and Storage Facility
 - Mr P Pugh informed the meeting that the Public Consultation booked at Freystrop Village Hall on 26 February was for the above project. Notifications are to be sent out in the coming days

17. Date of Next Meeting

- Next scheduled monthly meeting of Freystrop Community Council will be 10 March 2025 in Freystrop Village Hall at 19:00
 - Items for inclusion on any agenda should be received by the clerk by Wednesday 5 March 2025



R D Lavis
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Approval proposed by: *Anna Simpson*

Seconded: *Eime U'Hing*

Signed: *[Signature]*

Date: *10/3/25*