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MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING HELD AT LETTERSTON MEMORIAL HALL, STATION ROAD, LETTERSTON ON MONDAY 4th NOVEMBER 2019 AT 8.00pm

Present: M Raymond (Chair), D Haden, C Lawton, D Williams, H Smith (Clerk/RFO)

Apologies

J Miles, W Miles, S Kurtz, A Phillips, T Phelps

Declarations of Interest

D Haden declared he lived in Barham Road, Trecwn

Matters Arising - Water quality issues / serious state of disrepair in Barham Road, Trecwn

The Chair welcomed 10 members of the public to the meeting and members of SCC introduced themselves.

C Lawton explained that he and D Haden had spoken to 21/30 possibly affected households in Barham Road (including the bottom of the road). The legal issues need to be resolved before a committee/group gets formed. All 21 houses agreed to contribute a small donation (£20 each) and were happy to form a group if needs be.

C Lawton had been in contact with Battens (law firm), who were specialists in this kind of dispute. They were optimistic there would be a legal way to challenge legal responsibility for the roads and water pipe. They had said that if the residents get the documents together and do the initial research then they would take this to the senior partners and as long as the case had merit, would undertake 150 hours of work free of charge (usually £225 plus VAT per hour).

C Lawton and D Haden requested that SCC ringfence £1400 to make the put up to £2000 (along side what the residents would put in). They stressed that they did not want the money at present, nor had they asked for any money from the residents – this request was for SCC to show commitment to the case. The money would only be used for legal fees in the future, and even then they would come back to SCC and request this. If the case did go ahead then Battens would undertake this on a no-win no-fee basis for residents (and take on each property as an individual case in order to be able to offer this). C Lawton stressed to SCC and the public that it was very early days yet and nothing was certain.

Cllr Haden stated that at the last meeting John Murphy stated there was a water leak in the main losing 50% of the water sent though it. Cllr Haden had found out that this leak



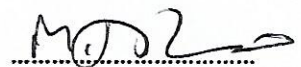
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has been there for some time and this is a lack of maintenance on the depots behalf.

C Lawton proposed that SCC ringfence £1400 for legal fees should they be needed. Dai Williams seconded the proposal and the motion was carried.

There was further general discussion between SCC and the residents.

Meeting closed at 8.30pm.

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Clr M Raymond (Chair)