

**Penally Community Council Meeting**  
**Wednesday 14 May 2014**  
**7.15pm**  
**Penally Village Hall.**

**Present:** Cllr S. Paul; Cllr B Barker; Cllr C Cavill; Cllr M. Jenks; Cllr V Paul; Cllr M. Penn; Cllr A Richards; Cllr T Roberts,

**014/14            Apologies**  
County Cllr J. Preston.

**015/14            Annual Meeting**  
No members of the public were present. **Cllr M. Jenks proposed** that Cllr. S Paul carry on in the capacity of Chairperson. **Seconded T. Roberts. All in Favour.** Cllr Cavill was also **proposed** to carry on in the capacity of Vice Chairperson **by Cllr. Barker. Seconded Cllr. V. Paul. All in Favour**

**016/14            Declarations of Interest**  
Planning Application 14/0084/PA Thalatta - Cllr Cavill; Cllr Barker.

**017/14            Signing of Minutes of Last Meeting**  
The minutes of the last meeting held on Wednesday 09 April were signed by the Chair, Cllr S Paul as a true and accurate record with no amendments. **All in agreement**

**018/14            Matters Arising**

- **Village Speed Limit** – *The proposal is being advertised in the Tenby Observer on 23 May. This is a statutory requirement as part of the order making process and allows 3 weeks for any comments/objections to be made. If after 3 weeks no objections are received then the signs can be installed. To be carried forward.*
- **Calming Measures** – *In the absence of County Cllr Preston, this is to be carried forward*
- **Boules Area** – *Following a short discussion Cllr Roberts suggested that the Head of Amenities at PCC visit and view the proposed area to be used. He also suggested that maybe some of the funds held by the Community Council could be used to cover the cost. It was decided that further information be included in the next issue of CROW news and also in the local shop to inform all villagers of the proposal. Cllr Roberts will be the point of contact for any interested parties who may wish to join the club. He will also contact the Tenby Observer and ask if they would consider running an article on same.*
- **VAT** -*The Clerk has investigated recovering the VAT incurred on work that may be done to the Village Hall from the HMRC Section 33 VAT Act 1994. As some areas were unclear Cllr Barker offered to read through the whole Act and update next month.*

**019/14            Planning**  
13/0968/PA – Extension, Hafan Dawel, Penally. GRANTED  
14/0007/PA – Removal of Conservatory and replace with Single Storey Extention, Valldemosa, Penally. NO OBJECTION  
14/07/0084/PA – Demolition of Conservatory and construction of Kitchen, Thalatta, Penally. NO OBJECTION

**020/14            Information Technology**  
Web Site Agreement. The Chair, Cllr. S. Paul, signed the agreement. The Clerk will now return to

PCC.

**021/14 Correspondence Received**

Please see Appendix A as circulated at meeting

**022/14 Accounts & Finance**

Please see Appendix B as circulated at meeting

**BDO.** The Clerk has completed the end of year accounts and the BDO return. These have been accepted by Councillors as a true record and signed by the Chairperson. They are now ready for the internal auditor to check.

**023/14 County Councillor's Report**

Holloway Bus Stop Pathway: Residents at Holloway Court have reported difficulties using the path that leads to the bus stop at Holloway Court. This is due to the overgrown verges of the pathway. I have approached PCC and proposed that the pathway be extended in width and tarmacked to the boundary fence. PCC have challenged the cost of such a project; however the work is minimal and would go a long way to improving access for residents, particularly those who use Push chairs, buggies and wheelchairs. I have asked PCC to provide me with an estimated cost of this work.

By Pass Speed Limit: I have again asked the Highways Officer to provide an update on this matter. This issue has been on-going for two years. When I met with the Officer and our previous Cllr. Carol Cavil PCC informed us that the delay was due to sick absence whilst the Police carried out their work. I have stressed that the community council have now insisted we obtain a forecast on this work being implemented. I have received an apology for the delay and the assurance that this matter will be addressed. The 20 Mph Speed limit for the Village road will be advertised in the local press on May 23<sup>RD</sup> 2014. If there are no objections the signs will be erected.

Boundary Review A resident of the ward has written to me with concerns that I was preparing to challenge the withdrawal of the proposed boundary changes. Apparently this is how the resident had interpreted my report to council on this matter during our April meeting which was published in the minutes in the Tenby Observer I would like to clarify the matter and make it absolutely clear that I have no intention of challenging the decision to withdraw the proposed boundary changes. The comment I made to council was as follows; *"I have been advised via the Electoral Services Office Manager that the proposed Boundary changes implementation has been suspended. This is a quite recent development and I will make further enquiries over the coming weeks. Particularly regarding the costs involved in the administration and the production of this seemingly failed proposal"*. To further support my position on this I have include a transcript of a letter I wrote to the Boundary Commission on the 14th of October last year it reads; *"I would like to bring to your attention to my objection to the proposed boundary change for the ward of Penally in Pembrokeshire. It is evident that no degree of thought has been applied to the very unique and well established character of the three communities who make up the Penally ward. The ward is currently made up of Penally, Gumfreston and St. Mary out Liberty (New Hedges). These communities work in harmony with each other and despite popular belief otherwise are physically connected by Gumfreston and Devonshire Drive. The proposal to amalgamate St Mary out Liberty with the new community of Saundersfoot South will only serve to dismantle the individual identity of the community of New Hedges. I did bring this to the attention of officers last year when these proposals were first presented. My fears have been confirmed by the community council of St Mary out Liberty who have made it clear they do not wish to be absorbed by the much larger community council of Saundersfoot. I politely request that you revise this proposal and maintain the Penally ward in its current form, or at the very least ensure the three communities remain intact. This proposal has been engineered by a panel who have not taken the time to assess*

*the impact this change would have on smaller communities who reserve the right to preserve the uniqueness that comes with from being a compact self-sufficient community.” I hope this makes clear my position on the matter.*

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#### **024/14            Items of Business Submitted by Councillors**

**Cllr Jenks .** The road on the corner of Strawberry Lane and the Main Road, near to the Cross Inn requires sweeping. Also the two gullies that have been sealed in the same area need to be re-opened. The Clerk will contact D. Thomas, Area Maintenance, and request that this work is carried out. Cllr Jenks also mentioned the speed of vehicles using Strawberry Lane which is an on going issue in the village as a whole.

**Cllr Penn.** The path in front of St Teilos Cottage needs clearing. The drainpipe on the bus shelter also needs replacing. The Clerk will report this to PCC Area Maintenance. The branches that have been cut near to the electricity sub station near The Green need to be removed. The Chairperson will speak to the Village Warden.

**Cllr Roberts.** Brambles are growing into the road near Holloway Farm and asked if the Village Warden could please remove. The Clerk will also re-contact the manager, Paul Adkins, of Kiln Park and ask that the Hazel trees be trimmed that are opposite the Old Vicarage. Vehicles that park on the grass opposite the Station Car park to use the public conveniences have churned up the area. All Councillors agreed that it needs reseeding or tarmacing. The Clerk will contact Area Maintenance.

**Cllr V Paul.** Concerned that there may be an accident due to speeding vehicles on road near to the Abbey adjacent to The Green as they do not stop at the junction at the bottom. Gravel is also coming down the road from the house near to The Abbey onto the main road. The Clerk will contact the owners and ask if this can be contained at all.

**Cllr S Paul.** There appears to be a problem of dogs walking through the village that are not kept on a short lead. Dog fouling is also a huge problem in the village, particularly on the path between the Station and Penally Beach. The Clerk will mention these issues to the dog warden to see if they can investigate further. Both items will be forwarded to CROW News for inclusion in the next newsletter.

#### **025/14            Reports from Councillors**

None Received

#### **026/14            Items for Crow News**

Boules Area; Dog Fouling.

#### **027/14            Date of Next Meeting - Wednesday 11 June 2014**

Apologies received in advance by Cllrs S and V Paul.

**Meeting Closed at 20.10hrs**