



KILGETTY - BEGELLY COMMUNITY COUNCIL (KBCC)

Minutes of the General Meeting of The Kilgetty -Begelly Community Council on Thursday, 9th February 2023 at 6.30pm, via the medium of Zoom.

Present: Cllrs Paul Wyatt, Diane Lockley, Brenda Jones, Peter Adams, John Whitby, Jerry Long, Gavin Thomas, Beryl Quigley, Lindsey Harries, and County Cllr Alistair Cameron.

Also, Present – Clerk Gary Price.

Meeting Opened by the Chair Cllr Paul Wyatt at 18.32pm

Meeting recorded.

1. To receive any apologies for absence

Apologies received from Cllrs Wes Thompson and Elaine Wyatt

2. To receive any Declarations of Interest

None

3. To consider and approve as a true and correct record the draft Minutes of the Extra Ordinary meeting held on 9th January and the General Council meeting held on 12th January 2023.

Cllr Long proposed that the Minutes, as presented, of the extra ordinary meeting held on 9th January 2023 be signed as a true and accurate record of the meeting; Cllr Quigley seconded the proposal with a majority of Cllrs in agreement. Cllr Thomas proposed that the Minutes, as presented, of the meeting held on 12th January 2023 be signed as a true and accurate record of the meeting; Cllr Lockley seconded the proposal with all Cllrs in full agreement.

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Extra Ordinary meeting held on 9th January and the General Council meeting held on 12th January 2023, not covered elsewhere on the agenda.

5 b. Cllr Lockley enquired if a start time had been confirmed for the tree planting, the Clerk confirmed the date but would contact the Ranger to confirm time. Cllr Thomas confirmed he has numerous volunteers to help. Cllr Paul Wyatt confirmed an interest from the local School.

5. Action Tracking

Cllr Paul Wyatt requested a number of items to be closed off on the tracking and the item on the footpaths at Stepside to be added.

a) To consider future hybrid meetings

The clerk confirmed a quotation/proposal had been forwarded to Cllrs, the matter to be discussed at the next meeting.

- b) Planting of trees in the Community by Pembrokeshire National Park

The Clerk updated as per agenda point 4.

6. County Councillor's Report

County Councillor Alistair Cameron – report to Kilgetty Begelly Community Council February 2023

1. A477 Crossing from Carmarthen Road, Kilgetty to Stepside road.

At the suggestion of Paul, I have written to the County Council requesting that a full footpath is provided for Carmarthen Road (from the turn off to Sardis) to the crossing and after the crossing on the road to Stepside. The Council's Head of Infrastructure is checking whether there might be funding in the Council's Minor Works Programme.

I have also been in contact with the Welsh Government's Trunk Road Agency about making the crossing of the A477 safer, particularly for users of mobility scooters. I believe the current crossing point is too narrow for pedestrians / mobility scooters as it is next to fast moving traffic. They will be getting back to me on this.

2. Private Road from A477/A478 Roundabout to the rear of the Community Centre

A dog walker who uses this road has contacted me concerned about safety whilst walking his dog as vehicles also use this road. I circulated this issue to community councillors and was advised that it is used by vehicles including coaches and is considered preferable to the coaches turning into the car park from Carmarthen Road. It would at least be good if the road could be made safer.

3. Agricultural Vehicles using Ryelands Lane

I have received a complaint from Ryelands Lane about agricultural vehicles from a farm in Ludchurch disposing of slurry on the Ludchurch to Templeton Road and then going back through Ryelands Lane and Kilgetty to get to Ludchurch. The Council do not consider they can take action, but I wanted to ask if Community Councillors have also had complaints about this.

4. Draft Toilet Strategy

The County Council is consulting over a draft toilet strategy aimed at saving money due to next year's funding shortfall of £18.6 million. This includes a proposal that where there are no charges for using the toilets (such as those near to the community centre), the local town or community council will be asked to take over the running costs if they wish to keep them open. You can take part in the consultation by going to:

<https://haveyoursay.pembrokeshire.gov.uk/draft-local-toilet-strategy-2023>

5. 2023/4 Budget and Council Tax

The Cabinet will be asked to recommend a 7.5% increase in Council Tax to go to Full Council on 2 March for consideration.

7. Reports from Council representatives including:

- a) Begelly Kilgetty Community Association

Cllr Long reported:

Solar panels due to be fitted w/c 20th February.

Electricity charges have increased significantly at the Centre, a smart meter has been installed, they now monitor use. A review of current rental charges will be carried in line with increased costs.

The Electric Vehicle is awaited, promised for March 1st.

Coronation events had been discussed by the Association various options to be considered.

It has been reported that there had been a number of 'near misses' due to the increase of vehicles entering and exiting the Centre, a review of the signage is required.

b) Rural Futures Group

Cllr Lockley reported Since the initial successful funding application the members of the Rural Futures Group have been working hard on completion of the main application form. There have been 3 full group meetings and several sub-group meetings since the last report in January.

In addition, a meeting was held with members of the RF Group and representatives from iDea (the chosen architects) to discuss options for the development of the Craft and Men's Shed facilities. Draft plans have been received and a meeting has been scheduled to discuss the options available.

The siting of the portacabins remains in the area discussed and approved by this Council. The options are relating to orientation of the portacabins, accessibility and provision of toilet and kitchen facilities.

c) One Voice Wales

Cllr Paul Wyatt presented report received from Cllr Elaine Wyatt

One Voice Wales report. Meeting of 16/01/2023.

Town and Community councils fed back that there was an uplift in taking up of Councillor positions.

Emyr John who is the current One Voice Wales Pembrokeshire Community & Town Councils Project Officer will be leaving due to the funding for the role will not continue. Emyr John has been involved in a lot of different roles and projects and thanks for this participation has been given and reiterated that they will be missed, although it was said that they will be about in different roles within our communities.

Tom Moses from CWBR (Community Wellbeing & Resilience) Youth project gave a presentation on how Councillors have connected with their community and how councils could progress to include younger people within our areas. A great initiative that is worth looking into to gain valued connections.

Councils should have been contacted by the Youth Council last May, again, to explain how councils can engage in a meaningful and approachable manner to be inclusive to hearing their opinions and voices (Is this the project that Jerry had mentioned this last KBCC meeting).

For more information:

<https://planed.org.uk/news/2022/08/24/cwbr-youth-a-new-approach-to-involving-young-people-in-local-communities/>

Jessi Buchan from Together for Change, 4Wards Project, gave a presentation on how Pembrokeshire Councils had networked together to provide benefits for their communities. This was to help build collaboration and give ideas how smaller councils can work together to bring positive changes to their communities. A general overview from the initiative from their website:

'The 4Wards Project received £61,000 from the UK Renewal Fund. The application was submitted to Pembrokeshire County Council (PCC) by the Together for Change Programme in collaboration with County and Town and Community Councillors representing the four Wards of Llanrhian, Solva, St. Davids and Milford East. It was formally launched in March 2022 and named the 4Wards Project, with some planning meetings starting earlier in December 2021. The Project finished in June 2022, but further developments are anticipated in the future. The Project set out to:

Build local insights and knowledge of life and prosperity in the communities in the participating Wards.

Share that knowledge and use to improve connections in and between the Wards.

Agree broad plans and priorities for cooperation and joint action to improve and sustain the wellbeing of the population.

Improve understandings and synergies between statutory service provision and local needs.

The aims of the Project reflect the premise that assets, both human and built, vary greatly across place-based communities. The contrast of urban and rural locations, density of the populations and different demographics across the areas has provided good opportunities for shared learning. The project also set out to look at the benefits of cross border

cooperation and collaboration on matters related to the economy and business, health and wellbeing, social care and support, and the environment. There is evidence from other parts of Wales that such arrangements can improve political and policy engagement and accrue benefits for communities in relation to connectedness and asset ownership. The 4Wards Project addressed these issues and was a pilot with the sharing of learning across the two geographical areas built in from the outset.'

For more information here is their website link: <https://www.tfcpcbrombeshire.org/4wards-project/>

Welsh suppliers are being sought for the Suppliers Directory. This is to build a directory that companies can work and support the Society of Local Council Clerks and the National Association of Local Councils. Many contacts are currently companies based in England and One Voice Wales are seeking companies from Wales. If there are any companies that we are aware of that might benefit from an introduction and the advertising from the directory then please contact Maria Mulcahy, South Wales Development Officer by emailing: mmulcahy@onevoicewales.wales

Local Places for Nature, Welsh Government and National Lottery Heritage Fund – Local Places for Nature grant scheme will be open from Thursday 9th June 2023. www.heritagefund.org.uk/funding and the contact for further information is rcarter@onevoicewales.wales

d) Begelly Play Park task and finish group.

Cllr Lockley reported Regular inspections timetable to be set up. The Clerk to forward inspection sheet.

Overnight parking is still being reported in addition to parking not related to the play park. Appropriate signage needs to be put in place.

Cllr Paul Wyatt reported parking in the car park by non-play park users is increasing, Cllr Wyatt has spoken to the proprietor about the issue. The concrete plinth within the park area was discussed with the proprietor as he had previously enquired on leasing or purchasing the area. The Clerk to seek valuation of the area.

e) Kilgetty Play Park

Cllr Paul Wyatt presented a plan on the possible landscaping of the area prior to a park being installed. Cllr Adams proposed that the Council discuss the Landscaping and additional soil required with contractors, Cllr Lockley seconded the proposal all Cllrs in agreement.

f) Disability Access in the Community

Nothing to report.

The Clerk to speak to Pembrokeshire County Council on outstanding requests.

8. Consideration of Correspondence:

a) The Clerk read an email received regarding the signage on the Network Rail boundary fence directing cars to the area outside the Scout Hut, issues around an increase in traffic, safety and safeguarding raised. Application to instal a gate within the area also included. A letter of complaint sent to Network rail with a request to remove the sign.

Cllr Paul Wyatt declared an interest in the matter and requested Cllr Lockley chair the discussion.

Cllr Lockley opened discussion.

Cllr Harries proposed that the Council object to the instal of a gate, Cllr Adams seconded the proposal a majority of Cllrs in agreement.

b) The Clerk read an email received from Network rail enquiring if permission had been given to a local business to erect a sign on the Network rail fence, a letter of complaint had been received.

Cllr Lockley opened discussion.

Cllr Adams proposed that Network Rail be informed that no permission had been given, Cllr Long seconded the proposal a majority of Cllrs in agreement.

c) The Clerk read an email received from a resident adjacent to Begelly Play Park, concern raised on the use of the Children's play area being used to walk dogs, several incidents reported of dog mess being left with not all dog owners removing the dog mess. Cllr Long proposed a quotation for the erection of a fence for the area to segregate the park. Cllr Thomas seconded the proposal all Cllrs in agreement.

9. To consider payment of any invoices received

BACS 1.	Clerk	Salary incl w/h	£475.83
BACS 2.	One Voice Wales	Training	£35.00
BACS 3.	AC DC	Electric box covers	£176.78
BACS 4.	SSE Swalec	Electricity	£110.67

For information only, payments made on Rural Future project:

BACS 31/1/2023	IDEA Architect	£816.00
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Invoices received total of £798.28 Cllr Jones proposed payment be made, seconded by Cllr Harries and all Cllrs in full agreement.

10. To consider payment of any invoices received after the distribution of the agenda None received.

11. Consideration of Planning Applications received:

a)Reference. 22/0901/PA Glencoe, Station Road, Kilgetty, Pembrokeshire, SA68 0XS
Proposed detached dormer dwelling, with parking and amenity space. . Following consideration of all the information provided by the Planning Authority, Cllr Adams proposed that Kilgetty Begelly Community Council object to this application, the Network Rail report

awaited, concern on the access of vehicles to and from the property onto carriageway. Cllr Quigley seconded the proposal, all Cllrs in agreement.

8.38 pm Cllr Thomas left the meeting.

b) Reference. 22/0887/PA 15, Ash Park, Kilgetty, Pembrokeshire, SA68 0XY Demolition of existing garage & New rear extension. Following consideration of all the information provided by the Planning Authority, Cllr Lockley proposed Kilgetty Begelly Community Council support this planning application, Cllr Harries seconded the proposal all Cllrs in full agreement.

c) Reference. 22/0885/PA Wickets Well, 1 Ryelands Way, Kilgetty, Pembrokeshire, SA68 0US Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) of planning permission 22/0370/PA (Erection of garage), to increase the size of the garage. Following consideration of all the information provided by the Planning Authority, Cllr Jones proposed Kilgetty Begelly Community Council support this planning application, Cllr Harries seconded the proposal all Cllrs in full agreement.

d) Reference. 22/0850/PA Victoria House, STEPASIDE, Narberth, Pembrokeshire, SA67 8JS Demolition of existing ruins of redundant outbuilding, re-built as 1 bed holiday let unit and siting of glamping pod also for holiday let use. . Following consideration of all the information provided by the Planning Authority, Cllr Adams proposed that Kilgetty Begelly Community Council object to this application, lack of information disclosed, no recollection of planning consent for existing alterations that have been carried out. Cllr Long seconded the proposal all Cllrs in agreement.

e) Reference. 22/0785/PA Plum Tree Hall, Stepside, Narberth, Pembrokeshire, SA67 8JX Proposed engineering works, agricultural access, construction of stable block and tack room (partly in retrospect). (AMENDED DOCUMENTS). Following consideration of all the information provided by the Planning Authority, Cllr Jones proposed that Kilgetty Begelly Community Council object to this application, concerns on access onto the highway has restricted view, not enough information disclosed, no detail on recent alterations. Cllr Long seconded the proposal all Cllrs in agreement.

12. Consideration of Planning Applications received after publication of the agenda

none

13. Notification of Planning Decision/s

21/1278/PA Land West of Barley Park, Begelly, SA68 0YF Conditionally approved.
22/0748/PA Kilvelgy Wells, Kilgetty, SA68 0UJ Conditionally approved.
22/0682/PA Church Farmhouse, REYNALTON, SA68 0PG Conditionally approved.
19/0412/PA Land off Station Road, Kilgetty, SA68 0YB Conditionally approved

Cllr Paul Wyatt noted that ref 19/0412/PA was objected by Kilgetty-Begelly Community Council when presented.

14. To discuss arrangement between Council and Community Association

The Clerk reported that the agreement dated 1997 would need to be reviewed in line with modern day legislation. Cllr Paul Wyatt to arrange a meeting with the Chair of the Association, the Clerk and Vice Chair of the Council to agree a way forward.

15. To consider price schedule for Grass cutting contract 23-24

Cllr Lockley proposed that the contract schedule with no price increase be agreed for the following year, Cllr Harries seconded the proposal all Cllrs in full agreement.

16. To consider any emergency items and/or outstanding issues before Full Council

Cllr Paul Wyatt enquired on the progress with DBS checks. The Clerk presented a quotation, Cllr Cameron to forward contact within PCC to seek further quote.

17. Any Other Business – please note this item is strictly for information only.

Cllr Adams advised on a need for KBCC and the Community Association to hold a meeting with the youths within the Community.

Cllr Quigley enquired on training for the Defib in the community.

Meeting closed at 21.16pm.

18) Date of next meeting

Thursday 9th March 2023 at 6.30pm

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