BRAWDY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the monthly meeting (July 2023) of Brawdy Community Council held remotely on Thursday 3rd August 2023.

2023/31.

1. Present. Cllr J Tierney, Cllr Mrs A Loch, Cllr M Carter, Cllr D E Jones and Sean O'Connor Clerk.

2. Apologies. Cllr Mrs A Morgan, and Cllr W Lawrence.

3.The clerk confirmed that the minutes of the June 2023 had been properly proposed and seconded, and added to the BCC website.

4. Cllr Carter declared a personal and prejudicial interest in item 9 on the agenda. There were no other declarations made.

5. Matters arising from the minutes of the June 2023 meeting.

5a. Cllr Jones reported that he had been in touch with PCC regarding the water on the road at Hollybush, following wet weather. An agreement had been made for the PCC representatives and Cllr Jones to meet at the site, to agree a scheme to remedy this issue.

Cllr Jones also reported that, to his knowledge, there had been no further incidents regarding large vehicles causing damage on the B4330. He did request however that a sign be erected advising that this road was not suitable for large vehicles, as the " sat nav" was appearing to direct them this way. Cllr Carter agreed to raise the matter at County Hall, and report back to our next meeting.

5b. Cllr Carter advised that most of the debris had been removed from the area of land and garages at Trefgarn Owen as previously discussed, and the area was now a vast improvement on before. Cllr Carter and Cllr Tierney had met and discussed the situation of installing seating at the bus shelter at Trefgarn Owen. They outlined their proposal to the meeting, and it was proposed by Cllr Mrs A Loch and seconded by Cllr D E Jones that we proceed, provided the cost was not excessive. Cllr Carter would contact Rhys Nicholas to get the job started.

5c. It was reported that the hedge cutting programme was proceeding, and everybody was happy that, a good job had been done, and that some of the minor roads were cut as a priority to the main roads. Cllr Tierney reported that a "give way" sign at a junction close to his property had been damaged, and he would supply the information, with a photograph to Cllr Carter. It was also advised that any overhanging trees on the minor roads were the responsibility of the landowners. If any areas of danger were found, they should be reported to PCC, who would then contact the relevant landowner accordingly.

5d. Cllr Loch advised that she had not heard anything from Sean Tilling at PCC regarding the footpaths and bridleways. She offered to chase this matter up, and report back to the next meeting. An area of a Roman road, that was in need of attention, was also discussed. Cllr Loch agreed to look further into this matter also.

5e. nothing further had been heard regarding the 'Deep Space satellite proposal for Brawdy. Cllr Carter offered to look into this matter and report to the next meeting. It was generally agreed that any scheme that would provide 200 local jobs, would be beneficial. Any other concerns from local residents could also be discussed.

5f. Following the submission of our annual audit, the auditors had requested to see copies of our community councillors opt out forms for their annual allowance for 2021/22. As these forms had been deposited at the Pembs CC archives centre, the clerk had contacted the Councillors' concerned, and obtained duplicates. These had been forwarded to the auditor, who was happy with the submission.

Correspondence.

Pembs County Council.

6. Notification of planning meeting/appeal,  re Appn. 22/0476/PA. Steel framed building at Castle Villa Bail 4 Hayscastle Haverfordwest. The clerk advised of an appeal for the above application. The matter was discussed further, as we had already supported this application. It was proposed by Cllr Mrs A Loch and seconded by Cllr D E Jones that we write to write to the inspectorate and endorse our support.

7. The clerk advised of a road closure during July of the U3068. The reason for the short notice, was that it was an emergency closure.

8. County Councillors Monthly update.

Cllr Carter reported that the former multi-storey car park in Haverfordwest, was now re-opened as a temporary car park. He also advised, that although, it was not directly a PCC matter, concerns were being raised regarding low flying Chinook helicopters in the area. They are refuelling in Withybush, for training exercises that included low flying. If this was to become an issue for any local residents, they should report the matter directly. The Chairman offered to include this matter on our community information page.

9. Planning Application Consultation. Ref No 33/0305/PA. Two storey side extension and replacement single storey rear extension at Tegfan Trefgarn Owen. Cllr Carter declared a personal and prejudicial interest in this case and left the meeting. The Chairman had encouraged Councillors to view this case prior to the meeting. The drawings and plans were viewed on the shared screen, and the Chairman compared the existing dwelling to the proposal, including the photographs from the Bat survey. The case was discussed by the remaining councillors, and it was unanimously agreed that the project was an improvement and was not intrusive. It was proposed by Cllr D E Jones and seconded by Cllr Mrs A Loch that we reply in support of this application. The clerk would respond accordingly.

After the discussions were complete, Cllr Carter was contacted and he rejoined the meeting.

10. Following the ethical standards committee event in July, slides of the event had been forwarded to councillors. Those who had viewed the slides were very complimentary, and they encouraged the others to do the same.

PEMBS COAST NATIONAL PARK.

11. Notification of development management committee meeting re application no NP/23/0220/FUL. Erection of roof covering of agricultural building at Pointzcastle Farm Haverfordwest. Councillors had received details, of this meeting during July. It was agreed that we did not need to add anything further to what we had already been sent. Cllr Carter advised that the meeting had taken place and the application had been approved.

Other Correspondence.

12. Nobody was able to attend the area OVW meeting in July. The clerk would forward the minutes when received. It was agreed that not enough notice is given to councils of these meetings, and the clerk was asked to raise this with OVW.

13. Nobody volunteered to attend the " Wings over Carew" event that was held at Carew airfield recently

14. The clerk had received a reminder regarding the registration of our defibrillators on the circuit, to ensure they were available in the event of an emergency. Cllr Carter viewed and shared the website map, which confirmed that all three of our defibrillators were featured.

Report of Responsible Finance Officer.

15. The clerk reported up to date bank account balances as at 3/8/23 as Current Account £49.90, Deposit Account £ 1212.81 and Election Account £4068.46.

16. Details of the monthly bank statement were viewed on the shared screen, which included the entries for July, and confirmed the above balances.

17. The clerks' salary and income tax payments for July were for the standard 16 hours and included on the bank statement.

18. There were no imminent payments, therefore no need to transfer funds.

19. The provisional date for the next meeting was set for Monday 25/9/23 remotely at 7.30 pm. If anything of importance arose before then, the clerk would contact councillors accordingly.

At the discretion of the Chairman.

The question was asked whether Brawdy CC was affected with the proposed change or amalgamation of community councils. Cllr Carter confirmed that we were not affected.

Councillors discussed the absence from meetings of Cllr Mrs A Morgan due to ill health. It was unanimously agreed that she be granted a further 6 months beyond the statutory 6 months sick leave, if she should need it, until the end of February 2024

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.45pm.