

SAUNDERSFOOT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting Held In the Regency Hall, Saundersfoot
On the 2nd February 2017 at 6.30pm



Present: Cllrs: S Boughton-Thomas (Chair), A Mattick (Vice Chair),
R Hayes MBE, D McDermott, T Pearson, W Cleevely, D Poole,
M Williams BEM, M Cavell and S John.

In attendance: Melanie Priestley - Clerk

1) **Apologies:** Cllrs P
Baker and M Allsop

2) **Visit from Mrs Angela Phillips** –Pembrokeshire Association of Voluntary Services (PAVS)

The presentation by Mrs Angela Phillips to the Council on the role of PAVS within the community was very informing. She stated how PAVS could be contacted further by anyone in the community to establish what services, help or advice is available for anyone within the community. It may be in the form of practical advice or monetary help, to an individual or a group. Her contact details are:- Angela Phillips - Community Coordinator 07595 192933. PAVS are hoping to hold several launch coffee mornings in various locations around Wales and they are hoping that Saundersfoot will be one of the locations.

3) **Chairman's Report:**

Cllr Boughton-Thomas thanked everyone for a lovely and enjoyable evening at the Gower Hotel to celebrate Saundersfoot Community Councils annual dinner. A good time was had by all.

4) **Declaration of Interest:**

Cllr McDermott declared an interest in any discussions taking place on the Harbour issues.

5) **Minutes of the Meeting on the 5th January 2017 Received.**

It was proposed by Cllr Hayes MBE and seconded by Cllr Poole with all members in agreement that these minutes be signed as a true record.

6) **Matters Arising from the Minutes:**

a. **Internal Audit (5b)**

Cllr Poole moved that Cllrs Boughton-Thomas and Mattick along with Melanie (clerk) can move this matter forward in any which way deemed proper. Cllr Cavell seconded this motion with all members in agreement.

b. **Cliff Fall on the Strand (5e)**

Melanie to write a letter to the legal department of PCC stating that Saundersfoot Community Council require further information over the responsibilities of the owners of the cliff above the Strand.

c. **Pembrokeshire County Council – Bike/Walk (5g)**

Cllr Baker is still liaising with PCC regarding this matter.

d. **Defibrillator Training (5h)**

Training will be held on Tuesday the 7th February for anyone wishing to undertake this training.

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e. Pembrokeshire County Council –Ironman Wales Contribution (9a)

The Email received from PCC stating their disappointment regarding Saundersfoot Community Councils' decision not to contribute to the voluntary five years payment of £3,000 was read out along with Melanie's reply to such.

f. Painting of Playground Equipment (10b)

Cllr Baker confirmed that he has received confirmation from Pembrokeshire County Council that they are in favour and full support of the painting works.

g. Meeting with Price and Kelway Solicitors (10c)

A village plan is awaited from Cllr Baker. Cllr John and Melanie both offered their assistance in locating a plan that the boundaries can be marked upon. Cllr Clevely will also pass over any historic plans he may have.

h. Christmas Lights (10e)

Cllr McDermott is awaiting prices of Christmas lights. Cllr Williams BEM confirmed that a set of 3 strings of white lights for the Christmas tree would be circa £666 (reduced price). Cllrs Mc Dermot and Williams BEM will seek further information for the March Meeting.

i. Notice Board in Regency Hall Car Park (12a)

Cllr Boughton-Thomas confirmed that the notice board was in disrepair and did in fact blow away in the high winds. The sharp edges were made safe. Cllr John did comment that he had provided the Regency Hall (Keith) a sheet of marine plywood proximately 5ft x 4ft, to fashion a new board some time ago. Cllr Boughton-Thomas advised Council that she would make some enquiries into this.

j. Meeting Minutes on Website (12b)

Cllr John confirmed that all the minutes were now up-to-date and in the correct order on the website. A request to PCC has been made for Melanie to become an administrator. Melanie confirmed that she had received a notice from PCC but has not been given the Administration Rights as yet.

7) Minutes of the Precept Meeting Held on the 10th January 2017 Received

It was proposed by Cllr Pearson and seconded by Cllr Mc Dermott with all members in agreement that the Precept minutes be signed as a true record.

8) Matters Arising from the Precept Minutes

- a.** It was confirmed that the administration for the village Wifi was agreed for three years.

- b. Cllr Cleevely requested confirmation that all decisions were made within the meeting. Cllr Boughton-Thomas confirmed this in the positive with Cllr Mattick seconding such.

9) **Accounts Payable**

Cllr Poole moved the payment of these accounts with Cllr Williams seconding the motion and all other Councillors in agreement.

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Cllr Cleevely questioned the amount spent on sweets for the community at Christmas.

Cllr Hayes MBE declared an interest and took no further part in the discussion.

The council suggested that a limit be placed on the amount spent on the sweets or they are pre purchased by the Clerk in readiness for distribution by Father Christmas at the Christmas Fair. It was noted that the sweets are used around the village at varying events, although it was also noted that circa £110 bought a lot of sweets. This item has been diarised for October 2017.

Melanie advised the council that the petty cash account had ceased following John's retirement two years ago but it would be a great benefit to have one. Melanie went on to advise the Council that she was holding £163 cash paid by Councillors for their Christmas dinner and would it be acceptable for this to be used.