

SAUNDERSFOOT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting Held In the Regency Hall, Saundersfoot
On the 18th May 2017 at 6.30pm



Present: Cllrs A Mattick (Chair) M Williams BEM (Vice Chair), R Hayes MBE, S Boughton-Thomas, W Cleevely, P Baker, D Ludlow, P Beedles and T Pearson

In attendance: Melanie Priestley - Clerk

Apologies for Absence: Cllrs S John and N Sefton

The Council witnessed Tessa Pearson's Declaration of Acceptance, which was signed and received by the Clerk.

This meeting was called to complete the Agenda for the meeting held on the 11th May 2017

j) Muga Update

It was brought to the Council's attention the high volume of excess water flowing off the MUGA and flooding the grass area to the front of the MUGA. It was agreed that the drain running underground at the end of the roadway from the corner of the MUGA to the corner of the playground, would be unblocked and cleaned out.

Cllr Williams BEM proposed that an idea of works and a quotation is obtained from a contractor for the best way to eliminate the water logging problems; Cllr Pearson seconded the proposal with all Councillors in agreement. Cllr Williams BEM agreed to liaise with the contractor and revert back to Council.

Mr A Lewis has dug out the roots to the top area of the MUGA, the holes cleaned out and cemented, leaving an area to be filled with tarmac and finished flush with the MUGA surface.

The Muga still requires another pressure wash and sweep over, but before this can be finalised the weeds growing around the edges have to be addressed. Cllr Baker advised the Council that he has a tub of very strong weed killer and will pass it over to Mr A Lewis. Mr Lewis agreed that he would be able to replace the three curb stones at the top end of the MUGA.

Cllr Boughton-Thomas advised the Council that Tesco Finance (who granted part funding for this project) are requesting a finishing date. It was agreed to advise them that we are hoping to hold the opening in June ready for the summer season. Cllr Boughton-Thomas agreed to liaise with Tesco Finance.

The trees to the left of the MUGA gate still require cutting back, due to the trees now being in full bloom, it was agreed to seek a 2nd opinion from Mr Steve James – a professional tree surgeon as to when this work can be carried out. Melanie will make enquires and revert back accordingly.

k) Parking at Saundersfoot Community School

Cllr Baker is awaiting further information from Pembrokeshire County Council.

l) The Tree at Beech Court

Cllr Hayes MBE reported that the 'Tree is Staying'

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m) Village Boundary Planning Update

This heading was covered in the meeting held on the 11th May 2017

n) Signage PCNP PA Propose to Use In Their Car Park

This heading was covered in the meeting held on the 11th May 2017

o) Initial Costing/Proposals Re. SCC Parking Area

Cllr Boughton-Thomas presented to the Council a very comprehensive report outlining the provisional costs and expected income if Saundersfoot Community Council start charging for the parking spaces along the Regency Hall (know as SCC Parking Area).

Cllr Cleevely brought to the Council's attention that this space was allocated for locals to park and use the facilities at the Regency Hall and Sports and Social Club, the response was that this area is used by holiday makers and locals alike, with traders attending the Regency Hall market double parking potentially prohibiting the access for emergency services, if so required.

Cllr Mattick thanked Cllr Boughton-Thomas for her sterling efforts and the production of a full and comprehensive report.

Cllr Mattick proposed that this project be moved forward for further discussions; Cllr Beedles seconded the proposal with all Councillors in agreement. All Councillors were given a copy of the report for perusal in their own time and this item has been added to the June agenda for further consideration.

p) Set a place and date for Past and Present Councillors Dinner

Following a lengthy discussion it was agreed that Cllrs Beedles and Ludlow to liaise with local venues and revert back to Council with their arrangements. The event will be for Councillors and their partners, paying for themselves. Cllr Mattick proposed a certificate of recognition be produced for each leaving Councillor. Cllr Baker seconded the proposal with all Councillors in agreement. Cllr Ludlow advised the Council that he knows someone who would be willing to frame them.

19 Reports from Committees Including County Councillor's Report

Cllr Baker's Report (County Councillor)

Following the recent County Election there has been a change in the balance of Councillors, Cllr David Simpson remains the only nomination for Leader of the Council and will go forward for election at the Council AGM 25th May.

Cllr Baker advised that he had been nominated as Vice Chairman of the Pembrokeshire County Council Ward matters

Coastal path long tunnel

Cllr Baker reported that there is still support for the investigation into the provision a viable lighting scheme.

Rock fall on The Strand

A permanent catch fence has now been erected in the footway and will continue to be monitored by PCC

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Valley Road

The recent road closure has enabled Welsh Water to investigate the sinking trench, Cllr Baker will report back with findings.

PCC have provided paint for the Saundersfoot Playground and are investigating the paint for the bollards

The dislodged reflective bollard at the War Memorial has been reported and will be repositioned asap

Cllr Cleevely - Report on behalf of Saundersfoot Neighbourhood Policing Forum

Cllr Cleevely had nothing to report but would like to reiterate that the Police Forum meeting will be held on the first Monday of June.

20 Any Other Business

a) MUGA Opening

The date, as discussed in heading 18 j) will be in June. It was agreed that the Regency Hall would host it with a light bite buffet.

b) Various Signage Around the Village

It was agreed that a separate meeting be held to discuss various signage required around the village depicting (for example) No Dogs, No Smoking, Please use the Bins Provided and the signage required for the MUGA. A date for this meeting will be set at the June meeting.

c) No Smoking Sign

Cllr Beedles presented to the Council a design for a sign depicting no smoking and proposed that it be painted in the children's playground where persons using the Sports and Socials Club's facilities can see it; Cllr Boughton-Thomas seconded the proposal with all Councillors in agreement. Cllr Ludlow agreed to liaise with Mrs Parker to arrange the painting of the same.

d) Flower Basket Donations

The following persons donated towards the cost of hanging baskets to be displayed outside their business premises:

The Old Chemist, Silver Stand, The Wine Shop, Ocean Hair and Mr and Mrs Odley

Melanie, on behalf of Saundersfoot Community Council, to write a letter of thanks to each business owner.

£130 of donations was received. Melanie requested that this money be accounted through the petty cash account. Cllr Boughton-Thomas proposed that this money be accounted through the petty cash account; Cllr Baker seconded the proposal with all Councillors in agreement.

e) Café 51° North

It was brought to the Council's attention that the Café 51° North is reopening at The Strand Saundersfoot. The Council are concerned as this establishment was previously refused permission to serve hot food. Cllr Baker agreed to make further enquiries.

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f) Damaged Trees in the Sands/Regency Hall Car Park Entrance

Cllr Hayes requested further information regarding the dead Oak tree and the damaged sycamore tree in the area adjacent to the Sands Night Club and the entrance to the Regency Hall Car Park. Cllr Baker has agreed to once again talk with Mike Higgins to rectify this matter.

g) Telephone Box at Rushy Lake

Cllr Hayes MBE brought to the Council's attention the filthy state the telephone box is in. It was understood by the Council that British Telecom had proposed to remove this box. Melanie to write a letter to British Telecom requesting further information and advising them of the current state of their telephone box.

h) Facebook Comments

Cllr Mattick informed the Council of an on going comment thread on Facebook regarding illegal/unsafe parking at Ridgeway Close. It stated that nothing was being done regarding this problem. Cllr Mattick proposed a letter be written to Highways Department at Pembrokeshire County Council requesting they investigate into double yellow lines being issued to alleviate this problem; Cllr Williams BEM seconded the proposal with all Council in agreement. Melanie to write to Highways Department requesting more information.

It was also requested the Melanie confirm with PCSO Moffatt that this issue is addressed at the next Police Forum Meeting.

21 Date for June Meeting

**8th June 2017 6.30pm at the Methodist Church Hall
(Due to the Regency Hall being used for Election purposes).**

Meeting ended at 20.40