

Minutes of the Meeting of Marloes & St. Brides Community Council held on
Monday 12th June 2017 at Marloes Village Hall

Present:- Cllr. P. Smithies (Chairman), together with Cllrs. Beal, Richards and Johnson.

- Mrs. Y. C. Evans - Clerk to the Council

- County Cllr. Reg Owens

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. C. Jessop

1) Minutes - The minutes of the May meeting having been circulated to members, were approved, on the proposal of Cllr. Beal, seconded by Cllr. Smithies.

2) Matters Arising

a) Police Matters – No spontaneous events over the Bank Holiday thankfully

b) County Council – Highways etc.

Mullock Bridge Junction – The Clerk advised that landowners below the junction had also been served notices to clear growth from the stream, and that the culverts will not be cleared until this work is undertaken. A problem with the design of a culvert has also been identified. This may have been inspected today.

20mph – Speed tests yet to be arranged. Some discussion about “safe routes to school” for children catching the school buses. Mr. Blake is on sick leave, so another officer has taken over his duties. Clerk to contact her to see about grant possibilities.

Hedge Cutting – No hedge cutting to date in this Community area – started last Monday on the Milford road, and has reached the Mullock junction. Cllr. Owens will speak to Mr. Llewelyn on this on behalf of the Council. Clerk advised that the remainder of the B4327 towards Dale is still not cut, and most of this is in the Marloes/St. Brides Community area. It is also the high tide alternative for the Coastal Path, and the last section in the Dale area is part of the Coastal Path.

Frankies Lane, Marloes – Action taken.

Clock Tower Lane - This has been strimmed out.

c) Village Toilets – County Council will look at the drain pipe covers, but painting is the responsibility of the contractor Daflo, and is likely to be undertaken in September.

d) St. Brides Pay Phone – Fault reported again. Emergency calls can be made from this box normally.

- e) Broadband Issues –Further cabling undertaken in the Winterton area towards St. Brides.
- f) Members Declarations, if any – Clerk to pursue after the Council is up to six members.
- g) Beacon Lighting – Mr. Walmsley will act as Co-ordinator as previously.
- h) Pension/Auto Enrolment – File to be received after Sandra Burnett returns from holiday.
- i) National Trust – Car Park Permits – A few more have been issued.
- j) Skomer Visits – Details will be in the July newsletter.
- k) Children's Notice Board – still to be undertaken.
- l) Planed AGM & Conference – Clerk to attend on 16/05. Asked to highlight the joint links between the Local History Group and the Community Council.
- m) Hall Notice Board – The Councillors expressed their thanks to Mr. Sam Gillespie for undertaking repairs to the Notice Board.
- n) Party in the Park – to be held next Sunday in memory of Jo Cox, who was murdered last year while undertaking her work as an MP. See notices.
- o) Rubbish – Noted that there are issues every fortnight, with local residents being inconvenienced by the resulting mess, and having to clear up afterwards. Cllr. Smithies is taking photographs to show to property owners if practical. Agreed that a suitable letter needs to be drafted to send to owners rather than agents asking that they adopt proactive measures to prevent litter problems. Council to suggest various ways of combating the problems – employ a cleaner, have a Trade Waste agreement, use wheelie bins/special blue bags etc.

3.Community Issues

- a) Community Council Vacancies – Co-option.
The Clerk advised that an e-mail letter had now been received from Mr James Kimpton applying to become a member of the Council. No other applications had been received. Mrs. Evans confirmed that Mr. Kimpton is on the current electoral register.. The Council, on the proposal of Cllr. Smithies, seconded by Cllr. Johnson approved the co-option of Mr. Johnson. Cllr. Richards did not take part in this co-option – declaring an personal interest in the appointment. Mr. Kimpton will be advised that his appointment will commence at the next meeting on the 10th July when he will be required to sign the Declaration of Acceptance of Office at the start of the meeting. The County Council will be advised of the appointments after the next meeting.
- b) Spontaneous Events – see item at 2a above.

4) Correspondence

a) E-Mail Letters– See list below.

- 10/05/17 – OVW – Pembs. Training Services - £40 – Bursary Available.
- 12/05/17 – OVW – Cynnal Cymru May Newsletter.
- 12/05/17 – OVW – Model Local Resolution Protocol for Community & Town Council – Agreed that the Clerk print a copy off for future reference if required.
- 15/05/17 – Dyed-Powys – Language Preference – English advised.
- 17/05/17 – OVW – Press Statement on behalf of the CHC’s in Wales - Dementia – result of consultation.
- 17/05/17 – OVW/SLCC – Joint Event on 12/07/17. Noted.
- 25/05/17 – OVW – Funding pots for different sectors.
- 25/05/17 – OVW – Plant a Tree Charter - Legacy Tree.
- 25/05/17 – OVW – News Bulletin – Clerk to re-read Finance Item.
- 31/05/17 – OVW – National Business Crime Survey Centre.
- 01/06/17 – Play Wales e-bulletin June 2017.
- 02/06/17 – OVW – Historic Environment Update – noted that the Airfield structures may be included under Listed Buildings.
- 07/06/17 – OVW – National Development Framework for Wales – Sent to Cllr. C. Jessop for consideration.
- 07/06/17 – OVW – City Farms & Community Gardens (FCFCG Events).
- 12/06/17 – Citizen Advice Bureau – Services & Financial Appeal. Noted.

b) Other Correspondence

- a) PCC – 24/05/17 – 2017 Pembrokeshire Coastal Bus Timetable received. Cllr. Johnson advised he can obtain further copies if required. Members agreed that copies may be useful for visitors.
- b) Play Wales, Chwarae Cymru – “Focus on Play” received. Clerk to speak to Mr. Mark Burton who looks after the Play area.
- c) Seafarers UK – 26/05/17 – Fly the Red Ensign for Merchant Navy Day – 03/09/17 – Noted.
- d) Clerks & Councils Direct – May 2017, Issue 111. Noted.
- e) OnBoard – Distributed by the Port of Milford Haven – Clerk drew attention to the discounts on offer inside the back cover.

5) Planning Matters

- a) NP/15/0649/CLE – Cllr. Owens advised the Council that the planning appeal on the land at Slate Mill has been turned down by the Planning Inspectorate. No details from National Park as yet.
- b) Crabhall – The Clerk advised that the site meeting had also included other matters with regard to Dale Castle Estate that were in Dale community area, so she had not pursued the possibility of Councillors from this Community area being in attendance just for Crabhall.
- c) Place Plans – Cllr. Jessop not present, so not known if he has spoken to Planning Aid, Wales.
- d) NP/17/0161/FUL – Planning consent has been granted by PCNPA, for the replacement of new garage with studio at The Green, Marloes. The consent advised that “the garage/studio hereby approved shall not be occupied at any time other than for purposes ancillary to the residential use of the dwelling known as The Green.”
- e) PCNPA Replacement Preferred Strategy – Documents have been published with regard to the Preferred Strategy for the new local Development Plan. The pre-deposit proposal documents outline the authority’s vision, preferred strategy and key policies. Documents include a Candidate site register, and there is an opportunity to propose changes to sites submitted already, or to propose new ones.

6) Financial Matters

- a) 2016/17 Audit – Statement of Assurance – No issues had been raised by the Internal Auditor – only to print out a separate Asset Sheet each year. Copies of the relevant pages were circulated to members. After discussion, on the proposal of Cllr. Beal, seconded by Cllr. Richards the meeting approved the Accounting Statement under Regulation 9 (3) Accounts and Audit (Wales) Regulation 2005 (as amended) and the Annual Governance Statement. Section 3 was endorsed by the Chairman and the Clerk as the RFO. The Clerk will now prepare the Audit Return – no Variances to explain, and also copy all the relevant papers to accompany the Return. The latter will be endorsed by the Chairman and Clerk as true copies of the original.
- b) Clock Tower - National Park has made a donation of £2000 towards maintaining and painting the Clock Tower. Mr. Tegwyn Jones (Chief Executive) has asked to be kept informed on progress in undertaking the work. Clerk to contact Mr. & Mrs. Holmes who had indicated they would make a contribution to ask if this was still available. The Council will then plan how they fund the payment of the main contract, and also

undertake other refurbishment in and around the Tower. Noted that Cllr. Smithies was pursuing the idea of asking the British Legion if some of the Porcelain Poppies could be sited around the Tower this November.

- c) Lloyds Bank – Bank Statements received.
- d) Ebico – Electricity Supplier for Clock Tower – Cllr. Smithies will undertake a reading as soon as possible.
- e) Smiths of Derby – no letter received as yet.

7) Urgent Matters

- a) St. Brides – Cllr. Richards drew attention to a parking issue near the beach car park. Vehicles are driving to the left of the access road to Cliff Cottages to get closer to the cliff edge. Clerk to contact Dan Wynn – PCNP Ranger to ask if a post can be sited to deter this happening.
- b) 2012 Action Plan – The Clerk drew attention to the Plan identify possible schemes to pursue in 2017/18.
- c) Lifebuoy, Marloes Sands – Cllr. Jessop had found this damaged during the month. After contacting the Clerk it had been agreed he speak to the County Council Beach Officer to arrange a replacement. The post was now in place and the buoy expected shortly.
- d) Defibrillator, St. Brides – Cllr. Jessop had advised the Clerk that a new defibrillator had been sited on the wall near the entrance to Pearson Farm with permission from Mr. & Mrs. Geoffrey Lewis.
- e) PCC - Ruling Group. Cllr. Owens advised that David Simpson is the new Leader, and he has appointed his Cabinet. Cllr. Owens also advised that he will Chairman of National Park Planning, and also the Equalities Champion.
- f) Pembrokeshire Scouts, St. Brides – Meeting advised that Mr. Ted Sangster is the Scout Leader in Pembrokeshire.

There being no other business, the Chairman closed the meeting, The next meeting is to be held on Monday 10th July 2017, when the draft minutes of the June meeting will be submitted for approval.