**CYGNOR CYMUNED PENALUN PENALLY COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**Penally Community Council Meeting**

**Wednesday 11 April 2018**

**Penally Village Hall, 5.00pm**

**5.00pm Public Open Meeting**

To discuss various highways and parking issues with Pembrokeshire County Council and Dyfed Powys Police.

(Please see appendix 1)

**Present**: Councillor Piers Bradbury; Councillor Carol Bradbury; Councillor Jenny D’Arcy; Councillor Mark Hancock and Councillor Jules Rilstone.

**Also Present**: Carol Clemson (Clerk)

**18/04/01 Apologies**

Apologies received from Councillors Steve Robinson, Mike Neal, Carolyn Dessent and Jon Preston

**18/04/02 Declarations of Interest**

No declarations of interest received

**18/04/03 Signing of Minutes of Last Meeting (held 14 March 2018)**

The minutes of the last meeting held on Wednesday 14 March 2018 were agreed as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairperson, Councillor Piers Bradbury. Proposed Councillor Carol Bradbury, Seconded Councillor Mark Hancock. All in favour.

**18/04/04 Matters Arising from previous meeting.**

4.1 PCNPA Car Parking Charges

All information requested from PCNPA under the Freedom of Information Act has now been received.

Until further information is received from Pembrokeshire County Council regarding timing and dates of consultation process, no further action can be taken at the moment. It was therefore decided to carry this matter forward to next meeting. It was also decided that following contact from other Community Councils who are experiencing the same charges at their local car parks, Penally would put forward their own representation against these charges, but would like to keep in touch with them and keep informed of what is happening.

4.2 Petanque Pitch

This item will be carried forward to May Meeting as a separate agenda item.

4.3 Village TPOs

Diagrams showing the position of trees with TPOs have now been received and will be filed accordingly

4.4 Election Costs

Following a short discussion, it was proposed by Councillor Piers Bradbury that £1,000 per annum be accrued towards these possible costs. It was also proposed that the small balance in the Business Reserve Account be transferred to the main account and closed accordingly. Seconded Jenny D’Arcy. All in Favour. The Clerk will visit the bank and see what is needed to carry out this transaction.

**18/04/05 Planning**

No planning applications were brought to the attention of the Community Council.

**18/04/06 Correspondence Received**

Items Received - Emails

PCNPA Freedom of Information Info

PCNPA Diary Marker re Local Development Plan (opportunity to view meeting papers)

PCC Additional Community Council contact required re: Local Development Plan

PCC Community Dog Watch Scheme.

A local resident has offered to fund a dog bag station and is also prepared to pay someone from the village to walk route to the beach and clean up dog mess time to time.

Although the Community Council are unable to help towards this funding, they have its full backing and the resident will be asked to contact PCNPA to see if they will give her permission to put up a dog station.

PCC Call for Candidate Sites (Open 22/03 to 14/06)

PCC Invite to briefing on the ‘Enhancing Pembrokeshire Grant’

*16th May, County Hall. H’Ford - 1400 to 1600hrs or 1800 to 2000hrs*

Angle/Amroth/Nolton Community Councils re: PCNPA Car Parking Charges

Items Received – Post

PCC Local Development Plan – Call for Candidate Sites

Hywel Dda – Consultation on healthcare services in Hywel Dda University Health Board

Angela Burns AM – Intouch leaflet

PCNPA – Local Development Plan (Replacement Deposit Plan)

One Voice Wales – receipt of payment and contact details for quarterly meetings (Carolyn/Mark?)

**18/04/07 Accounts and Finances**

7.1 Balance of Accounts

The End of year accounts were tabled to Councillors present and were agreed to be a true and accurate record with no queries.

* 1. The following Invoices were Received for Payment

Smart Gardens £380.00 (including £50 removal of Christmas and Palm trees)

Clerk – March £179.26

HMRC £126.20

Village Warden £250.00

Village Hall Hire Q4 £55.00

C. Bradbury £18.99 (Village plants for remembrance garden, etc)

Penally History Group £200 (funding towards forthcoming exhibitions)

 The Clerk is to send notification to Ashmole re the date of the Clerk’s salary increase and the adjustment needed. Proposed for payment by Councillor Jules Rilstone, Seconded Councillor Jenny D’Arcy. All in favour.

* 1. Audit Returns Feedback

Issy Gibbs from Grant Thornton advises that the Welsh Audit Office have completed a draft report and awaiting finalisation of same. However, a time frame cannot be given as to when this information will be received.
With regards to the 2017/18 return, Issy is chasing this up with the WAO as nothing has been received as of yet. Once she's received an update she will email same to us and any deadlines will be extended according

* 1. Appeals for Funds

Nothing received

**18/04/08 County Councillor Jon Preston Report**

Due to the number of queries I have received regarding the new refuse collections service I have had a meeting with the cabinet member for Environment who has provided me with the following update: The current bin Lorries that we have will be coming to the end of their service life during 2019. Pembrokeshire will be developing a kerbside collection system where there will be an enhanced WEEKLY recycling collection service where more plastic / tetra pots and drinks cartons along with the glass collection going weekly.

There will also be a new free separate nappy and adult absorption collection available. More information will be available about what goes into which bin closer to the launch in 2019. The weekly food waste collection will remain.

With less in the black bags these will then be collected every three weeks. I think it is fair to say most people wish to see less sent to landfill and more materials recycled. The bulky waste collection service is currently £40 for 10 items and this will be REDUCED to £20 for 10 items. If they so wish, neighbours can arrange for several households to work together on one collection of £2 per bulky item.

There will also be six additional staff recruited and tasked with educating households and communities about the new scheme and how to recycle effectively. There will be a focus on enhanced enforcements and fines for people who fly tip and leave or discard dog mess along with the monitoring cars and other vehicles that throw rubbish on the roadside. This is a positive step; however enforcing this could still be a challenge.

There are new recycling targets being introduced by Welsh Government in 2019/2020 and all councils have to reach 64% recycling levels. If this level is not met there will be a fine of £200 per tonne, and in Pembrokeshire that will be £140,000 per 1%. We are currently below the target.

Revenue raised from second homes council tax will shortly be available for community groups to apply for.

On Tuesday 27th March the cabinet member for finance Cllr. Bob Kilmister made a presentation to Tenby Town Council in regard to how this funding stream will work. As previously reported revenue raised will be divided in to two main areas. One will be a community fund and the other will be ring fenced to tackle the negative effects of second homes within Pembrokeshire communities.

As I understand it the total amount available for the Penally community is £15’000. Tenby having the largest proportion of second homes in Pembrokeshire will have over £80’000 worth of revenue made available to apply for community projects. Documentation to make applications is currently being translated and will be available for community groups to make applications in due course. Decisions to approve will be made by a cabinet sub committee made up of three elected members and two council officers. For more information please contact Sinead at enhancing.pembrokeshire@pembrokeshire.gov.uk

I’ve been asked by PCC’s Development Plans and Conservation Manager to promote the opportunity in our community to put forward candidate sites for consideration in the Local Development Plan (LDP) for Pembrokeshire County Council. PCC will be contacting those who have expressed an interest in the LDP and will also be publicising the call for candidate sites which will include press releases. More information is available on the County Councils website. The deadline for submitting candidate sites is Thursday 14th June at 5pm.

**18/04/09 Councillor Responsibilities**

Nothing Received

**18/04/10 Items of Business Submitted by Members**

Nothing Received

**18/04/11 Reports from Councillors**

Nothing Received

**18/04/12 Items for CROW News/Village Warden**

CROW News. Councillor Jenny D’Arcy will contact the editor and ask that an inclusion be added asking village residents to inform the Community Council (via the Clerk) if they have any ideas/suggestions to enhance or improve village facilities.

**18/04/13 Penally MOD Firing Times:**

April Firing is due to take place on:

Saturday 14th to Monday 16th; Thursday 19th; Saturday 21st to Sunday 22nd.

**18/04/14 AOB and date of next meeting (Wednesday 09 May 2018 – 6.30pm)**

Please note that this meeting will be preceded by the AGM.

Meeting finished at 20:15hrs

**Appendix 1**

The public meeting to discuss speeding and parking issues within the village was attended by 36 village residents together with John Price representing Pembrokeshire County Council, with Sergeant Ian Price and Community Officer John Williams representing Dyfed Powys Police.

Councillor Piers Bradbury opened the meeting, outlining that the obstructive and uncontrolled parking is causing issues for cars, larger delivery and service vehicles and pedestrians as there are no footpaths in the village.  The bus service has significant issues and the service provider is threatening to withdraw this service if the obstruction issues is not resolved.  The issue of speeding throughout the village and along the by-pass is continuing problem raised by Residents. The Community Council has held meetings, site reviews and discussions with the County Council and the Police and no solution has been put forward which appears acceptable to all the residents. These discussions were fully reported in the Community Council Minutes at that time. Recently further representations have been made by constituents to our County Councillor, Jon Preston, and as a result he has arranged for this further open meeting to take place.

**Speeding Issues**

 John Price outlined the approach which the County Council had so far taken to speeding within the village. This had included measuring traffic speeds in 2014 (prior to the introduction of 20 MPH signs) which then averaged between 24 and 26 MPH . He also explained that speed limit setting was largely ‘reactive’, and the subsequent installation of 20 MPH limit signage had been thought potentially effective in further reducing speed because of the relatively low speeds already measured. However, PCC has not subsequently checked to see if this has in fact been the case, but will now do so using a fixed speed check device.

The subjective mood of the meeting however was that speeding was still an issue, and suggestions from the floor for reducing traffic speed further ranged from the installation of additional 20 MPH ‘repeater’ signs at the ‘Night Owl’ and other locations to the installation of road humps or ’Slow Down Twisty Road’ (so called ‘Nudge’) signs near Avebury House. John Price commented that road humps ‘could not be installed on a whim’, but agreed he would investigate the possibility of additional signage. The installation of radar operated illuminated speed signs was also suggested, as was the installation of a Pelican Crossing near the entrance to the village, though both were dismissed on cost grounds by Mr Price.

Sergeant Price responded to a written question by offering Police support for a ‘Community Speed Watch’ programme within the village which he suggested had been successful in other locations. As well as potentially reducing actual speeds as a consequence of written warnings or police visits to offenders, this would have the additional benefit of providing a body of objective speed data which could then be used to support any request for further action. Five of the meeting attendees agreed to volunteer for this, and their contact details have been passed to Sergeant Price.

**Parking issues**

John Price (PCC) suggested that the only realistic option to manage antisocial parking  and problems with the obstruction off the local bus service etc. was the introduction of ‘Yellow Line’ restrictions within the village, and was prepared to work with Penally Community Council on a draft plan for the location of these. However, the overwhelming mood of the meeting was against this, largely on aesthetic grounds. It was also suggested that trimming the hedges near the village hall and  painting ‘parking guides’ adjacent to it might prove helpful at what is a natural ‘pinch point’ on the road; Mr Price agreed to follow up hedge trimming requests with PCC.

Sergeant Price confirmed that parking on the grass verges on the bypass road was only illegal if it was necessary to mount the pavement or the road was an ‘Urban Clearway’