



AGM

10th May 2017 @ 19.00. Angle Village Hall

Present: Cllr B Brown (Vice Chair), Cllr D Richards, Cllr A Hill, Cllr E Parker

Apologies: Cllr J Powell (Chair)

Minutes of last AGM May 2016. Accepted and signed by Cllr Brown, Vice chair in absence of outgoing chair.

Election of Officers:

Chairperson – Cllr Andy Hill

proposed by Cllr Parker,
seconded by Cllr Richards

Vice Chair - Cllr Brian Brown

proposed by Cllr Richards,
seconded by Cllr Hill



Annual Report 2016-2017.

It has been a busy year with a lot of change, with Council membership, WAG requirements and audit. We have secured the reinstatement of "the Globe BT phone box", though still waiting for it to be reconnected and signage removed. The post box by the memorial garden / park has been restored, together with an afternoon collection. Although not directly responsible, ACC offered support for the repair of the "point road" gabions, which are now completed. We have had meetings with Haven Waterways Enterprise Zone regarding extending the boundaries, but feel that we have been left with nebulous answers. We have had representation from PCNPA re planning, as we have raised concerns about inconsistent planning consents. We continue to liaise with PCC and PCNPA regarding overnight parking at West Angle Beach. Although signs are now in place, the ability to police this is limited. As for Car park fees, PCNPA do not appear currently, to be moving forward with this.

The Memorial Plaques on the village hall have been replaced. ACC would like to thank both CADW for a grant and the Sun Edison Community fund for their financial support.

Speeding through the village has been raised, ACC therefore sent out questionnaires with the last Angle Newsletter. At the point of this report, the results have not been fully analysed, but it appears that there is a desire to address the situation. Several areas in the village were highlighted; and a separate but linked issue, ACC have been liaising with The Angle Estate, PCNPA and PCC regarding a footpath from West Bay Close to the Beach. There is agreement in principle and discussions are ongoing.

Increasing the precept has not been taken lightly, the reasons being outside our control and wrapped up in a lot of "governance" dictated by WAG and the financial audit process. This has been raised nationally with the Audit Office for Wales. This has increased the impact on the community council and clerk. ACC would like to thank Julian Hammond who has acted as our Internal Auditor for several years. He now feels that with the additional requirements asked of internal auditors, unable to continue. We must now budget for someone to do this. There has also been a move to formalise the role of the clerk which includes payment. Although the current clerk is not concerned, any future clerks may want the role on a more structured way. For now, the clerk will invoice ACC for hours worked. ACC will monitor the situation over the next year and review general expenditure.

What next?? ACC are keen to hear the views of younger people, and need to find a way to engage with them.

We have now had the PCC and community council elections. ACC would like to congratulate Margot Bateman on her election to PCC and as of our Community. We hope that she will attend future meetings and act as our voice within PCC. As there were only four nominations for Angle Community Council, all four candidates are automatically elected. This mean we have 2 vacancies to fill...



Financial Report 2016-2017.

My first year as Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer has been a baptism of fire, not helped by a change in the way the annual audit information is gathered and presented. There is far more stringency about the audit trail, and budgeting. The feedback from last year's audit highlighted some inadequacies which I hope, have been addressed.

Historically the ACC clerk has been paid a set stipend, but based on national pay scales of £8.717 per hour, and the hours taken with ACC matters, this will impact significantly on the local precept. The level of pay was raised by a community councillor rather than the clerk, and, based on an average weekly hourly rate suggests a significant financial impact. However, reviewing this over the next year should provide a baseline and benchmark.

Regular reviews of spending and general trends have been noted. Over the past few years there has been a small but steady decrease in the end of year balance of accounts. Left unaddressed this could leave the Community council vulnerable. Added to this are the increasing cost of Internal and External Audit and a review of clerk's costs.

ACC have had a good response to funding requests from the Sun Edison fund, of which almost 2/3rds of the fund has been awarded.

Usual meeting followed.