**Amroth Community Council**

**Cyngor Cymuned Llanrath**

**Draft Minutes** of meeting held by Amroth Community Council on Thursday 21st June 2018.

**Councillors present:** A Davies; P Davies; F Evans; R Harries; J James; B Lawrence; R Lewis; M Megarry; M Morris; S Phillips (Chair); R Tippett-Maudsley,

**In attendance:** Mrs Kathryn Bradbury (Clerk);

**Apologies:** CountyCllr Tony Baron, Brian James

**Register of Interest –** None

Mr Charles Carter addressed Councillors before the start of the meeting to provide an update on the activities and future plans of Amroth Church (St Elidyr’s) & Crunwere Church.

**Chair’s Welcome**

The Chair welcomed all Councillors to the meeting.

**Minutes** of the meeting held on Thursday 24th May 2018 were agreed as a true record.

Proposed by Cllr Roger Harries

Seconded by Cllr Pauline Davies

Signed by Cllr S Phillips following completion of the meeting.

**Matters arising from previous minutes;**

* **Damaged Notice Board from Slip Way**

Myrddin Dennis, Beaches Officer at PCC has been in contact with Amroth Castle Caravan Park about a replacement notice board being sited on their land by the Slip way. This is now in place.

**CLERK - Knotweed needs reporting to Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority**

* **CPR Course in Amroth Parish Hall.**

Victoria Jones of St John’s Ambulance had been in contact and suggested June 13th for training. Unfortunately, the hall was booked so, due to her time constraints have agreed to rebook for September.

**Agreed; Clerk to ask Red Cross and Tenby First Responders if they can deliver a course due to time constraints of Ms Jones.**

* **Brown Signs on A477**

Lisa Dent of Iron man will be in the County in July and a date will be arranged to meet. She indicated that Iron Man will not be able to supply brown tourism signs but is keen to look at improving access to Amroth and awareness that businesses are open during the race weekend.

* **Disabled space on front in Amroth**

Is now marked and in use.

* **Solar Lighting on Amroth Signs on A477**

Colin Jones, Head of Operations, ET Government Business has been in contact saying that he has instructed local agents SWTRA to check the signs to ensure they are clean and the retro reflectivity of the surface is working as it should. The signs surface is designed to reflect headlights making signs visible at night. If the signs are still not satisfactory, Angela Burns AM will write on behalf of ACC to The Trunk Road Agency to request improvements. **Agreed; Clerk to inform Trunk Road Agency that the second sign hides the third sign and so drivers do not see the junction in time to make a safe turning.**

* **Tree Protection Orders**

The Clerk has been in contact with Mike Higgins at The National Park about Tree Protection Orders for several trees that Councillors consider warrant protection. Only the trees located at St Elidyrs Church come under the National Parks remit and Mike will inspect them when he is next in the area and report back. The other trees come under the jurisdiction of PCC. **Agreed; Clerk will contact Richard Staden at PCC to request a TPO for the other trees identified.**

* **Update from PCC re extending the 30mph Speed Limit on the C3014 at Summerhill**

This is still under review at PCC. The Council have requested the Police Report which is required prior to any change being initiated. PCC have also requested that another speed survey is conducted in the village as the last one took place in July 2016 which recorded speeds under 30mph through the village. The County Council made the point that even if the speed limit is extended, speed relies on voluntary compliance especially where police resources are limited. The County Council have recorded that there has be one slight personal injury incident occur in the last five years in Summerhill. **Agreed; Clerk to request that survey is conducted in the village further away from the Amroth road junction than last time as this will give a truer picture of actual speeds.**

* **Cars exiting Amroth Car Park without stopping**

The exit from the car park is clearly marked with a double set of broken white lines informing drivers that they are about to join a public road. If drivers are not taking notice of these it is unlikely that they will obey a stop sign. **Agreed; Clerk to request that a stop sign be painted on the exit from the Car Park**

* **Dog Waste Bins/ bags update**

Three dog waste bag dispensers have been located on front in Amroth but have not been that successful as bags are not dispensed individually but in clumps meaning that they frequently run out. A meeting was held with the supplier’s rep who agreed the dispenser were not fit for purpose and sent 1000 bags free of charge as compensation. ACC are now looking at an alternative supplier called Tikspac.

Tikspac provide dispensers and fittings and fill with bags for free which is paid for by advertising on the dispenser. ACC require 3 or 4 dispenser’s but the minimum order is 10**.** ACC have requested County Councillor Tony Baron to take it to PCC to coordinate so that other interested communities could benefit and so fulfil the minimum order. The scheme may also be of interest to the National Park.

Following a meeting between ACC and PCC in Amroth, some of the litter bins will be relocated to provide better cover across the village.

* **Second Home Owner Grant**

An application has been sent in to PCC for funding for a project to support a contractor to help keep the beach clean, organise beach cleans, patrol the front to reduce parking on double yellow lines and provide information to visitors about recycling. The aim is to provide a better environment for both residents and visitors of Amroth and to help protect the beaches Blue Flag status.

**County Councillors Report**

No report this month as Cllr Baron is on annual leave.

**Planning**

* **17/1289/CL Land North of Staghill, Stepaside. SA67 8JP.** Application for Lawful Development Certificate. **Application Refused**. Reason; It has not been demonstrated by the evidence which has been submitted or by the evidence on site, that on the balance of probability, the caravan has been in situ and used continuously for residential accommodation for a period of time in excess of ten years.
* **17/1051/PA Llanteg Service Station, Llanteg, Narberth. SA67 8QD -** Redevelopment of existing petrol station and car garage. This application will be heard by the Planning and Public Rights of Way Committee on Tuesday 26th June 2018 at 10 am.

**Correspondence**

* **National Park Community Council seminar**

All city, town and community Councils are invited to the seminar on Tuesday 11th September at Letterston Memorial Hall. Starting at 7 pm and finishing at 9 pm, the focus of this year’s seminar is Dark skies. The subject is close to the hearts of National Park members who are keen to find out the views of communities. The Preseli Astronomy Club will also be there. Other issues under discussion will be the Rights of Way Improvement Plan and the National Parks Managements Plan. **Candidate Site Assessment Methodology- 6 week informal consultation**

Pembrokeshire County Council is currently advertising for Candidate Sites as part of its Local Development Plan Review process.  Candidate Sites are sites which will be considered for different types of development or for protection from development.  The closing date for Candidate Site submissions is Tuesday 14th August 2018.

The Consultation invites comments on the Candidate Site Assessment Methodology which can be made by emailing [**ldp@pembrokeshire.gov.uk**](mailto:ldp@pembrokeshire.gov.uk)by **Monday 23rd July 2018.** This is the methodology against which candidate site submissions will be assessed.

Comments should answer the following questions:

1. **Do you agree with this assessment methodology?**
2. **Does anything need to be added in?**
3. **Are there any other comments you would like to make?**

* **Engagement Session - Local Development Plan (LDP2)**

The next engagement session will be discussing Spatial Growth and Options. This is an opportunity to direct where you would like to see future growth within our County. These sessions will be held in County Hall on the 18th July 2018 at 2pm and the 24th July 2018 at 5.30pm. Refreshments will be provided at both events. We would be grateful if every town/community council could send at least one representative to ONE SESSION. Please confirm attendance by emailing [ldp@pembrokeshire.gov.uk](mailto:ldp@pembrokeshire.gov.uk) by the 13th July 2018.

* **Letter from MP Simon Hart updating Council on his engagement with the proposed health service changes**

Simon Hart wrote to Hywel Dda Chief executive, Steve Moore on 4th May after attending many engagement sessions. He has also received many comments from residents. These insights have given him a better understanding of how the scope of the consultation is affecting residents. It has also raised several points that he will be taking up with Hywel Dda including

1. A need for more public meetings to ensure they reach every community
2. It appears Option A is favoured by Health Board. As such the consultation is dangerously close to pre-determined
3. Key question of whether patient safety could be compromised if both Withybush and Glangwilli are downgraded has yet to be answered satisfactorily.
4. What happens to services in Hywel Dda prior to new hospital being built? This is especially relevant to A & E services
5. Transport and travel times.

Mr Hart urges all residents who have been in contact to respond to the consultation. This is the single biggest change to our NHS services for a very long time and only way to influence outcome is to provide informed meaningful individual responses.

**Finance**

All financial matters were discussed and resolved.

Full details available on application to the Clerk

The Clerk presented the Annual Accounts 2017-18. These had been previously circulated. The Internal Auditor, Alan Marsh agreed the figure to be a true reflection of ACC financial activity. He asked that the Financial Risk Assessment Template be reviewed annually by ACC and updated as necessary. The Accounts were signed by the chair.

**The Financial Risk Assessment Template**

The Financial Risk Assessment Template has been updated to include additional assets purchased in the year and the change of Insurer. Councillors reviewed the updated document and agreed it was adequate.

**The Educational Charity of David Rees**

Three Children have been identified as qualifying although still no reply from Tavernspite School. **Agreed; Clerk to email Headmaster at Tavernspite school directly and to purchase English/Welsh dictionaries for the children**

**Report by Amroth and District Community Association**

The Hall continues to be busy with a new Sugar Craft class starting on Thursday’s.

Several private parties are booked and there will be a Rememberance Day Beacon and celebration on Sunday 11th November 2018

**Report by Llanteg Village Hall Committee**

Llanteg Fun Day takes place on Sunday 29th July between 12 noon and 5 pm. Proceeds will go to Wales Air Ambulance and Tenby & Saundersfoot First Responders

The Jo Cox Get Together will be at 3 pm on Saturday 23rd June

The Hall committee are planning a Remembrance Day 100-year quiz and food evening on Saturday 10th November in the Hall

Monthly Police meeting

* PCSO Jim Moffatt and a Colleague will ride bikes from Snowdonia to Tenby to raise funds for Tenby and Saundersfoot First Responders and a local children’s hospice.
* A White Campervan was stolen from Hill lane, Kilgetty
* A Boy Racer stopped at Coppit Hall and his car was seized
* The Police are operating a seasonal drink drive campaign from 4th June to 15th July
* Foreign male persons have been reported in Saundersfoot and Pembroke Dock area attempting to launder money via buying small items through shops.
* There have been several thefts from workman’s vans in area
* A road roller and mini digger have been stolen from Haverfordwest

**Matters to be added to agenda for next meeting**

Local resident Kevin Caley wishes to attend next meeting to address Council regarding setting up a Conservation project involving butterflies and moths

**Any other or Urgent Business**

* A resident has requested permission to plant a rosebush in the Old Hall Garden as a memorial to her son. **Agreed**
* Please vote for Amroth in the Best Dog Friendly Village Category in the Pembrokeshire Tourism Dog Friendly Awards. https://pembrokeshiretourismawards.net/dog-friendly-awards-categories-2018/
* Paul Satori have asked to hold a fundraising event by flag pole in Amroth on 25th August. Cllr. Roger Harries to check when the RNLI are having their event, so they do not clash
* The Life Guard Station in Amroth been there for two months without use. Can it be delivered closer to the time it opens? **Agreed; Clerk to investigate**

**Date of next meeting Thursday 19 July 2018 at Llanteg Village Hall starting at 6.30 pm. NOTE earlier start time**

**The meeting closed at 21.06pm**