**Amroth Community Council**

**Cyngor Cymuned Llanrath**

**Draft Minutes** of meeting held by Amroth Community Council on Thursday 20th September 2018

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

**In attendance:** Mrs Kathryn Bradbury (Clerk); County Cllr Tony Baron

**Apologies:** M Megarry; J James; A Davies;

**Register of Interest –** None

**Chair’s Welcome**

The Chair welcomed all Councillors to the meeting.

**Minutes** of the meeting held on Thursday 19th July 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;**

* **CPR Training**

A very informative CPR training session was held in Amroth Parish Hall on Tuesday 11th September. ACC are very grateful to Tony Wall of Tenby and Saundersfoot First Responders for delivering the session. In a future session it would be good if more people had the chance to try CPR on the dummy. **Agreed**; **It was agreed to donate £100 to Tenby and Saundersfoot First Responders for their time.**

* **Tree Protection Orders**

Richard Staden reported back to say that the two Horse Chestnuts at the northern end of what appears to be a village green in Summerhill, is on land owned by Pembrokeshire County Council. As such they are under careful management and do not need the protection of a TPO. (A TPO will not protect a tree from clandestine activity, it simply makes it a criminal offence of the perpetrator.)

The Chestnut trees in Pleasant Valley have been the centre of some concern, both by someone who wanted them (or at least one of them) gone, and those who want to retain them. As a result, there are now just two. A TPO would probably have not prevented the vandalism based on experience elsewhere within the county. There are also 3 beech trees nearby that would be of similar merit if it came to making a TPO.

PCC Property Dept have confirmed the land is unregistered; Knowing who the owner is would make the TPO process more worthwhile and robust. **Resolve;** **To try to find out the owner of the land in question and forward the information to Richard Staden.**

* **A477**

Information has been sent to Angela Burns AM regarding safety concerns with the turning on to Chapel lane, the signs opposite Penybont indicating the turning to Amroth and the cross roads by the Garage in Llanteg where a roundabout may help slow speed on the A477 and improve the safety for those crossing the A477 and exiting the garage.

* **Summerhill Speed limit Extension**

PCC have been contacted about the speed extension in Summerhill again. Still awaiting an update.

* **Draft proposal report on Boundary Changes**

ACC formally objected to the proposal to include a substantial part of Saundersfoot with Amroth as suggested in the draft report. An alternative proposal was sent and will be considered by the Commission. The changes are for the ward not for the Community Council area, although for ACC this is the same. The intention is to balance up the electorate. ACC does not support the amalgamation with Saundersfoot as it was felt that keeping Saundersfoot as one made more sense. Cllr Baron agreed to write in support of the new proposal and object to the proposal by the Boundary Commission.

* **Tikspac**

A reply was received from PCC Cabinet member Cris Tomos to say he supports the Tikspac scheme and will lobby Richard Brown, Head of Services at PCC to engage with the scheme; and encourage other cabinet members to endorse it. Cllr Baron reported no action as yet but will also encourage the adoption of the scheme.

* **Lifeguard station**

The Lifeguard stations are delivered as and when the station and support centre technicians have the availability to tow them out and set them up. The charity needs to be as efficient as possible in all aspects of operations, especially as the financial contribution from Pembrokeshire County Council has decreased dramatically in recent years. ACC comments will be fed back into the end of season review to see if it is something that can be worked on for next year. **Agreed; Cllr Baron will investigate the amount of financial assistance given to the Life Guards and report back to ACC**

* **Independent Review Panel**

The Independent Review Panel has concluded their review into Town and Community Councils and have published a report of their findings and recommendations. Contact the Clerk for a copy.

**County Councillors Report**

* The Overview and Scrutiny Committee in PCC have met to look at how PCC can meet next year’s financial budget shortfall. This is likely to be in the region of £21.2 million due to several factors including an increase in Teachers pay of 3.5 %, increases in the minimum wage plus the increasing demand for more Carers year on year. The Chief Finance Officer may recommend an increase in the community charge of over 10%. It is vital that the budget is balanced as having a deficit is not an option. There is also the possibility of major cuts, redundancies and the rationing of adult care. The major budget costs are education, care of young people and care for adults. Welsh Government are not providing funding to local authorities at the rate needed. PCC has financial reserves, but action is still needed to ensure the budget balances so very difficult decisions will need to be made.
* An additional financial burden to PCC is the commercial waste from holiday accommodation being put out with domestic waste. The costs originate from additional sorting plus the adverse impact on PCC recycling targets which can result in fines for PCC. It is a criminal offence if accommodation providers do not have a trade waste transfer agreement and PCC are currently investigating offenders.
* Following late delivery of orange recycling bags to properties in the area Cllr Tony Baron has arranged for an emergency supply to be kept at Llanteglos Estate. These are for residents only. Some properties in Llanteg and Amroth are still waiting delivery of Orange bags. Cllr Baron asked for residents to let him know if bags have not been delivered.
* Following reports of unsafe cliff between Amroth and Wisemans Bridge, Cllr Baron reported a letter had been sent to the land owners advising them of the issue and asking for action to be taken as a matter of public safety. Unfortunately, a notice cannot be served on natural structures. Councillors reported that many tonnes of stone have come down recently from the Cliff’s between Amroth and Wisemans Bridge and Amroth and Telpin Farm. In past years the Army has been called in to make cliffs safe so Cllr Baron will investigate if this is an option.

**Planning**

**18/0394/PA – Crunwere Farm, Llanteg, Narberth SA67 8QB.**

**Proposal;** Agricultural Steel framed building and livestock pens and handling facilities. **Conditionally** **Approved**

**18/0315/PA - Robins Wood, 5 Wesley Close, Pleasant Valley, Stepaside. SA67 8NT**

**Proposal;** extension and alterations and detached double garage**. Conditionally Approved**

**18/0421/PA – Landsdowne, Llanteg, Narberth. SA67 8PU**

**Proposal;** New detached dormer bungalow. **Comments to be received by 7th September 2018. Agreed;** An objection has been sent

**APP/N6845/A/18/319702 – Llanteg Service Station, Llanteg, Narberth. SA67 8QD**

**Following a hearing on 21st August in Llanteg the appeal was dismissed for the following main issues;**

The main issues in this case are:

• Whether the proposal is justified in this location having regard to local and national policy directing retail uses to existing centres and to within settlements;

• Whether the loss of B2 floorspace on the site is justified in the light of local policy seeking to protect employment sites and buildings;

• The effect on the safety of users of the A477(T);

• The effect of the proposal on the character and appearance of the area;

• The effect on protected species; and

• Whether surface water would be acceptably managed.

**For a full breakdown of the appeal dismissal, contact the Clerk.**

**Correspondence**

* **Policy Re: Gambling Act 2005: Consultation on Review of Licensing**

The laws relating to Gambling placed a duty on the licensing authority to produce a statement of Gambling policy. Pembrokeshire County Council as the “Licensing Authority” published its latest “Gambling Policy” in January 2016 which sets out the policies the Council would apply when exercising its licensing functions under the Act.

The law requires that this policy is reviewed every three years.

The Council has asked to hear the views of local business organisations and general members of the public on how the Act has worked in the last three years and if there should be any changes to the Policy.

The Policy is available to view on the Pembrokeshire County Council website at www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk/licensing. Comments on any changes should be directed;

1. By **writing** directly to Charlotte Mathias, Lead Officer (Licensing), Licensing Team, Pembrokeshire County Council, County Hall, Haverfordwest SA61 1TP.

2. By **emailing** your comments to [licensing@pembrokeshire.gov.uk](mailto:licensing@pembrokeshire.gov.uk)

* **Off Street Parking Places Order 2015; Variation Order No. 1 (2019) for Pembrokeshire Coast National park Authority**

It is proposed to vary the present Off-Street Parking Order for the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority.

The proposal was advertised in the Western Telegraph on Wednesday 5th September 2018. A copy of the Notice will also be erected at each car park on that date.

Please note that the closing date for any **written objections is 26th September 2018 and should be sent to Mr Darren Thomas, Head of Infrastructure.**

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|  | Parking Place | may wait | Vehicle | of Parking Place | Vehicle may wait |  |
| [1] | [2] | [3] | [4] | [5] | [6] | [7] |
| 1 | Brooklands Place, Amroth | Wholly within a parking bay | 1,2,3,4,5,9 | All hours on each day of the year  (Seasonal Charge) | No Limit | Up to 30 minutes – Free  Up to 1hr - £1.00  Up to 2hrs - £2.00  Up to 3hrs - £3.00  Daily - £5.00  Weekly - £30.00  Coaches:  Daily - £8.00 |

**Parking Definitions:**

Seasonal charge **–** will apply from 15th March to 7th November

Charging period will apply from 9.00am to 7.00pm

Up to 30 minutes - Free – No return within 4 hours to the parking place (a ticket from the machine must be displayed)

Charging days – All days Season Tickets available

**Comments**; Councillors felt the introduction of charging will negatively impact residents who use the car park every day and on businesses, whose staff and customers must use the car park. It may also impact on recruitment as jobs will look less attractive due to the cost of parking. Reserved spaces should be installed. Purchase of a season ticket does not guarantee a space. Councillors queried whether it is possible to extend the car park and increase the number of spaces to allow permit holder places like in Tenby. Amroth Community Council will be strongly objecting to the proposal to introduce parking charges.

* **Notice of Temporary Road Closure**

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| **Restriction Type: -** | Temporary Prohibition of Vehicular Traffic (Road Closure) |
| **Location: -** | Class III (C3060) road at Amroth, from its junction with the class III (C3045) Amroth Castle to St Elidyr’s Church road, south to its junction with the access to the property known as Middle Hill |
| **Operational dates / times: -** | Monday 24th September 2018 for 2 days |
| **Reason for restriction: -** | Telecom cabling works |
| **Alternative route: -** | C3014 Amroth Coast road, C3045 Amroth Castle to St Elidyr’s Church road and C3060 |

* **From Hywel Dda University Health Board**

**Our Big NHS Change – Communities’ Voice on Health and Care**

Following the consultation, an independent report has been produced, detailing the extent

and scope of views received from communities in mid and west Wales. The health board

provided many different opportunities for people to voice their views. The report includes the views of those who chose to respond and highlights some key issues for Board members to consider as part of their decision making.

The report is to be formally received by the Health Board at an extraordinary meeting, due to be held and webcast from Carmarthenshire County Council’s Chambers on Wednesday, 26 September 2018, where a future service model will be discussed. Making the report available now will allow our patients, staff, stakeholders and communities time to read and consider its contents.

The link to view the webcast is;

[https://carmarthenshire.public-i.tv/core/portal/webcast\_interactive/375536](https://eur01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fcarmarthenshire.public-i.tv%2Fcore%2Fportal%2Fwebcast_interactive%2F375536&data=02%7C01%7C%7C59ab702d8b424658350c08d6231beff6%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C636735000220530170&sdata=Qsqfat6rN1%2BsjikUMgIRdpnKgTc%2FTV2vkh30nt3nhUA%3D&reserved=0)

**The full report and executive summary are available on the Health Board’s consultation web resource at** [www.hywelddahb.wales.nhs.uk/hddchange](https://eur02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.hywelddahb.wales.nhs.uk%2Fhddchange&data=02%7C01%7C%7C69351e3ad81b463680e508d60e7461a3%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C636712290466775462&sdata=NTse4ov862yS8r2MoF7eWqAo7auzrvYeT6FBSk8t71I%3D&reserved=0). If you have any issues accessing the report, please email [Hyweldda.Engagement@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:Hyweldda.Engagement@wales.nhs.uk) or please leave a message on 01554 899056.

* **Second Home owners grant update**

Kevin Shales (PCC) has written to say that there is still a budget of £15,902 available to apply to by community groups, including ACC. Application forms are available from Amroth Clerk or the Regeneration Department in PCC. It was suggested that additional support would be useful for Community Councils in applying for funds as they are generally inexperienced at this**. Agreed; Cllr Baron will take the proposal before Overview and Scrutiny Committee.**

* **Fracking Consultation**

Following the Wales Act 2017 Welsh Ministers will take over responsibility for licensing onshore petroleum extraction from the UK Oil & Gas Authority (OGA) on the 1st October 2018. The new petroleum licensing powers have provided an opportunity to consider what should be our approach to petroleum extraction in Wales, for now and future generations.

**The Welsh Government's consultation closes soon. Reply by 25 September to make your views count**. [https://beta.gov.wales/petroleum-extraction-policy-wales](https://nam02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fbeta.gov.wales%2Fpetroleum-extraction-policy-wales&data=02%7C01%7C%7Cf36ff6fa0c8149ae905008d6127ceb1e%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C636716725066978559&sdata=VqDJAHwaOWVPl9Jlq4ITsFxRFIxTd4LVQkQK4Ug5KHQ%3D&reserved=0)

* **BCW 2018 Review of Parliamentary Constituencies in Wales**

The Boundary Commission for Wales has today submitted its Final Recommendations Report for the 2018 Review of Parliamentary Constituencies in Wales. The Report has been submitted to the Minister for the Cabinet Office pursuant to Section 3 of the Parliamentary Constituencies Act 1986, as amended.

Once the Government has laid the Report in Parliament, The Commission will publish its Final Recommendations on its website. There will not be a distribution of hard copies of the Report and maps but they will be available to download, and the recommended boundaries will be overlaid on the interactive map on the portal.

* **Environmental Enforcement**

As part of a continuing commitment to improve the local environment for the benefit of residents, visitors and local businesses, Pembrokeshire County Council is increasing its environmental enforcement across the County.

PCC have entered into a partnership with District Enforcement to provide littering and dog fouling and anti-social behaviour enforcement within Pembrokeshire from 10th September 2018.

Uniformed Environmental Enforcement Officers will be operating in all parts of the County on the streets, car parks and on other open land that the public have access to. Anyone witnessed littering or failing to pick up after the dog they are walking by the officers will be issued with a £150 fixed penalty notice, which will be discounted to £75 if paid within 10 days.

**Residents witnessing repeat offences can report it by contacting The Clerk or emailing** [**environmentalcrime@pembrokeshire.gov.uk**](mailto:environmentalcrime@pembrokeshire.gov.uk)**. Councillors queried if any profits were being paid to PCC and have asked Cllr Baron to investigate.**

* **Appeal from PATCH**

A request to the community council to consider supporting PATCH for its Christmas Toy Appeal. **Agreed; politely decline**

* ACC received an email from Mr Rhys Jones objecting to the proposed plans for Heritage Park and asking for a community meeting to get the community view on the proposal.

ACC have already seen the plans and visited the site and as the Park straddles three councils it is likely that the plans will be submitted to Begelly/ Kilgetty CC for the lodges.

ACC will ask Planning to include ACC in the consultation when plans are submitted as most of the traffic will come through ACC area.

**Finance –**

All financial matters were discussed and resolved.

Full available details on application to the Clerk

**Charter**

Pembrokeshire County Council has been working with local representatives of One Voice Wales to produce a Charter between Pembrokeshire’s Town and Community Council sector and Pembrokeshire County Council.  ACC have been asked to discuss whether a Charter is needed.

**Comments;** If the Charter is to agree general guide lines and an administrative framework between PCC and Community Councils then ACC would agree to it. ACC feel that additional clarification is needed on certain points in the Charter and the implications for Community Councils if signing up is required.

**WW1 Beacon of Light Celebration**

* The Beacon is to be lit in Summerhill on 11th November at 7.30 pm for 1.5 hours.
* The film Warhorse will be shown in the Amroth Parish Hall with refreshments. There will be no charge to attend but donations will be welcomed. More information will be publicised nearer the time.

**Proposed Diversion of Footpath SP10/24 at West Llanteg Farm**

It has recently come to light that a section of the Footpath SP10/24 as

depicted on the Definitive Map is incorrect. This appears to be a longstanding issue, but it now needs to be resolved.

An alternative route has been discussed with PCC. ACC has studied the map and alternative route. **Agreed; ACC do not object to the proposal to divert the footpath.**

**Report by Amroth and District Community Association**

* The Hall is busy after the summer break. Bingo has been very successful over the Summer and the hall was full every Friday Night. A successful Coffee Morning was held for Macmillan Cancer Support. The Hall is used 5 nights a week plus at the weekend for parties. Clubs include sugar craft, crochet and Kick boxing
* A Harvest Thanks Giving service will be held on 7th October at Amroth church at 6 pm and at Stepaside Methodist Church on 30th September

**Report by Llanteg Village Hall Committee**

* On September 28th there will be a Macmillan Cancer Support Coffee Morning in Llanteg Village Hall between 10.30-12.30. For information contact Ruth Roberts on 831298 or see the Llanteg Village Hall website or Facebook Page
* The Hall will be hosting a Rememberance Quiz and Pizza Night on 10th November, starting at 7 pm. Teams of 4 with questions from across the decades. Tickets £6. Bring own drinks.
* 11th November. Remembrance Service in the Hall starting at 10.45 am
* Walking Group. This month’s walk is on Saturday 29th September at Llanddewi Velfrey kindly being led by Nigel Bailey. Meeting at 1.30 p.m. in the Llanteg Village Hall carpark, or 2.00 p.m. at Llanddewi Velfrey Village Hall.  Ruth has had a request for a lady who would like to come on the walks and would like a lift from Kilgetty.  If anyone is willing to pick her up, please can you let Ruth know.
* A History Group meeting takes place on Tuesday 16th October
* There is a Fungus walk on 30th September
* A new gardening group is meeting on 17th October
* The Llanteg Fun day was cancelled but the raffle and donations still made £1400.

**Monthly Police meeting**

* New illegal drug causing problems
* Policing unit is engaged in stopping unauthorised parking outside Co-op in Kilgetty.
* Scam- residents are receiving a phone call demanding money in return for photographs that have allegedly been taken
* There are forged £50 notes in circulation

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

No items were added

**Any other or Urgent Business**

* **Weatherman Walking** is to visit Amroth in October. Pauline Davies met the film crew who were very interested in Bertie and The Clean Sea’s Project. Pauline has agreed with Saundersfoot that transfer of Bertie to Saundersfoot will be delayed until after filming. Filming will take place on 23th/**24th**/25th weather permitting. Lifelong resident Eileen Algate will talk to Derek about Amroth.
* **Parking issues and road markings in Amroth to ease congestion**

There has been an ongoing issue of congestion in Amroth in front of the shops caused by legal blue badge parking on double yellow lines and illegal stopping outside the shops to pick up goods.

The suggestion from PCC is to add four additional disabled spaces to the Temple Bar car park as this may encourage blue badge holders to park in those, rather than opposite The Pirate Café. This will require a new parking order. The order could define a maximum stay of 2 hours so encouraging a turnover of use.

The suggestion of a loading bay in front of the shops may have a negative effect as loading bays are usually time restricted to 30 mins and this may encourage motorists to wait for 30 minutes rather than just stopping to collect an item.

The double yellow lines on the Seaward side have a seasonal restriction, 1st April to 30th September each year. Is it appropriate to consider changing the seasonal restriction to operate all year round?

**Comments;** Following discussion it was decided that councillors would like to arrange a meeting with Darren Thomas, Head of Infrastructure at PCC to discuss the best options to alleviate the road issues.

* **Rotten planks on footbridge between car park and shops in Amroth**

PCNPA area warden team have checked the bridge and replaced some of the planks and Access Manager, Anthony Richards, has been informed.

* **Llanteg Newsletter**

Any submission for the newsletter is required by 15th October. Send to Ruth Roberts

* **Overhanging Trees on road to Amroth**

Following concerns by residents and a large branch falling onto the road and narrowly missing a car, the Highways Department in PCC have been informed and are searching Land Registry to identify the owner of the trees. A notice will be sent to the land owner to take prompt action.

**Date of next meeting Thursday 18th 2018 at Hall starting at 7.00 pm**

**The meeting closed at 21.18p.m.**