

Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Lamphey Community Council held on 28th June 2021 held at Lamphey Village Hall at 7.00 pm

Present Cllr N Vince (Chair), Cllr A Skeels, Cllr J Purser, Cllr S Cannon, Cllr J Vince, Cllr H John, Cllr L Scourfield and Mrs P Davies (Clerk).

Also in attendance – County Councillor T Hodgson

The Chair welcomed Cllr L Scourfield to his first meeting as a Councillor and thanked Cllr T Hodgson for attending.

Before the meeting the Chair opened the public participation session. A local resident Ms Tomlinson updated the council on the anti-social behaviour which had been happening at Freshwater East Beach. Large groups of youths were gathering at the beach and leaving litter on the beach. The Police were being called through the 101 contact number but the last time they responded the youths had left the beach as it was nearly midnight when they attended.

Cllr Hodgson updated the council and advised that PCC were part of a multi-agency meeting and the Police were committed to patrol and try to talk to parents when dropping of the youths at the beach. The bins were going to be emptied later in the day and PCNP would increase patrol to try and liaise with the people using the beach.

1. Apologies

No apologies of absence were received.

2. Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were received and would be declared as and when required.

The Chair advised that he would bring agenda items forward as Cllr Hodgson had to leave early due to prior engagements.

3. Minutes from the Meeting held on the 13th May 2021

Amendment

Change Cllr J changed from Cllr N Vince

Hall Committee should be Cllr H John and not Cllr A Skeels.

Proposed by Cllr J Purser and seconded by Cllr J Vince that the minutes of the meeting held on the 13th May should be signed as a true and accurate record with the following amendments. Full Council approval.

4. Cllr T Hodgson – road closure consultation re Iron Man 2021

Cllr T Hodgson thanked the Community Council for the opportunity to attend the meeting and talk to the council about the Iron Man road closure consultation as well as updating the Council on some other local issues.

At the time of the meeting it wasn't certain if the 2021 Welsh Ironman would take place but the first stage of the road closure consultation was taking place and Cllr Hodgson would feedback comments from the Council to PCC. The Village of Lamphey was hugely affected by the road closures as the ridgeway was closed from 8.30 – 4.30. This was inconvenient and would be more acceptable if the road could be shared with a one way system or opened earlier.

Although Councillors felt that the event was a tremendous success they felt that the burden wasn't spread evenly throughout the county and some councillors didn't like the fact that they were prisoners for the day and that churches and local businesses were forced to close for the day. In the past Lamphey Village Hall had been used as a feed station and had received a £750 donation which had been shared with the Church, Cricket Club and Village Hall. Cllr A Skeels stated that the Village Hall wouldn't be open this year for Iron Man/competitors to use.

Footpath past the Church – Cllr Hodgson had visited the site last week and work was progressing in relocating graves. Once this had been completed work would progress quickly.

Cllr J Purser was concerned about the traffic blocking the junctions at both the ridgeway and Lower Lamphey Road with the work being carried at the Church which meant that cars couldn't turn at either junction and meant that sometimes traffic was building up. He had approached the contractors but he had been told that nothing could be done. It would be a great benefit to the village in the long term once the work had been completed. Cllr Hodgson to email Phil Leggett about the junctions.

Jet ski's/Anti social behaviour. As this matter had been brought to the council's attention by a member of public the Chair brought this item forward. The Council discussed this matter and felt that parties had always been held on the beach by youngsters. The litter and the bins being tipped over was concerning and it was felt that the Police were not taking this matter seriously. It was felt that the best way forward was to get the bins emptied later so that there was less rubbish in the bins in the evening and to try and ask the Police to approach and educate youngsters possibly through parents.

The access onto the beach is being controlled although some people were getting around the 10.00 am ruling. No jet skis were supposed to be launched before 5 p.m. and the PCNP literature with the times on had been printed so it was too late to change the times.

Proposed by Cllr J Vince that the Community Council should ask PCNP to enforce the rule that no jetski's should be launched before 5 p.m. Seconded by Cllr S Cannon. All in favour. The letter should be sent to Tegryn Jones, Chief Exec of PCNP and Libby Taylor the local ranger.

Burial Grounds – The excavation of graves was nearly complete and discussion took place on the burial ground which had been bought sometime in the 1960's in Lamphey which had transferred between South Pembs CC, Dyfed County Council, to PCC. The current Church committee were not in favour of taking on the responsibility of running the alternative site as there was currently room for burials in St Michael's churchyard on the outskirts of Pembroke. Ms Tomlinson stated that the extra room that the Church had gained near St Faiths would be suitable for the internment of ashes but not burials. Hodgston Church was also nearly full. Cllr Skeels felt very strongly that St Michaels wasn't suitable alternative for Lamphey residents to be buried. He wanted to be buried in Lamphey where he had lived for all of his life and were all of his family were also buried. Cllr Purser felt that the Community Council ought to investigate the possibility of taking on the alternative burial site for the benefit of the community. Further discussion took place on the way forward.

Proposed by Cllr J Vince that the Community Council write to the Church Committee to look into the possibility of having a multi denomination burial ground in Lamphey. Seconded by Cllr A Skeels. Full Council approval.

Cllr T Hodgson and the Ms V Tomlinson left the meeting at 8 p.m

5. To receive updates on outstanding action points

Cllr J Purser had made amendments to the Clerks contract of employment and would liaise with both the Clerk, Cllr N Vince, Cllr J Vince and Cllr S Cannon.

Playing Fields – Cllr N Vince had approached the School about the litter. The head teacher had brought this matter to the attention of the parents and the situation had improved.

During the course of discussion Cllr J Purser advised the Council that Mr David Phillips had indicated that he would be happy to be co-opted onto the Council.

Proposed by Cllr J Purser and seconded by Cllr J Vince that Mr David Phillips should be co-opted onto Lamphey Community Council. Full Council approval. The Clerk to forward the necessary forms to Mr David Phillips to sign in time for the next meeting.

6. Treasurer's Report / 9. Update on HSBC

The Clerk advised the meeting that she was receiving bank statements which were being re-directed from the retired Clerk and were a month out of date.

The Current balance was £28,000

Cllr S Cannon had been appointed as the internal verifier and all financial paperwork would be inspected 10 mins before each meeting.

Cllr J Vince updated the Council on the current position with HSBC bank. The new mandates had still not been approved by the bank and she was still awaiting the code from the safeguarding team to complete the process as they had threatened to close the account.

Cllr J Vince to write and sign a letter to instruct HSBC to forward bank statements to the new Clerk's address.

Proposed by Cllr J Purser seconded by Cllr J Vince to open a new account with Barclays Bank with Cllr J Vince and the Clerk as signatories and if HSBC don't make the necessary changes in the near future then Lamphey Community Council would be able to transfer the remaining funds into the Barclays account. Full council approval

7. Reports from outside Organisations

- Cllr Skeels updated the council on work that had been recently carried out at the back of the garages. The grass and hedges had been cut and the ground levelled. Cllr Skeels thanked Cllr Purser for the use of a JCB to level the ground

- Cllr A Skeels advised the meeting that the Village Hall Committee had approved the siting of a new village noticeboard on the front of the Village Hall.
- Cllr J Vince had taken part in another One Voice Wales Zoom meeting. The following points should be noted:-
- Minutes should be made public 7 days after a meeting, either on website or noticeboard. Confirmation on whether this meant working days or normal days to follow.
- Information would be sent out on the new Election Wales Act 2021

8. Planning Applications

Cllr N and Cllr J Vince both declared an interest in the second planning application for East Trewent Farm and took no part in the discussions.

- 20/0883/PA – Alderley, 14 Freshwater East - Alterations and extension to dwelling and erection of a garage - **No Objection**
- NP/21/02339 – East Trewent Farm – conversion of redundant stable to granny annexe - **No Objection**

The previous planning application for the plot at Devon Court had recently been passed at the last PCNP planning meeting. Cllr J Purser felt the decision went against the views of Lamphey Community Council and local views. Discussion took place and the best way to respond.

Proposed by Cllr J Purser that Lamphey Community Council write a letter stating all the facts relating to this application. Cllr S Cannon and Cllr J Vince to liaise in drafting the letter and the Clerk to send the letter on behalf of Lamphey Community Council. Seconded by Cllr H John. All in favour.

The Clerk to request an extension for planning application NP/21/0389/FUL - Via Maris, Jason Road as the application had been received after the agendas had been displayed.

9. Payments

Proposed by Cllr J Purser and seconded by Cllr S Cannon that the following payments should be paid. All in favour

Clerks Salary May	£192.00
HMRC	£38.60
Clerks Salary June	£195.40
HMRC	£35.20
Expenses	£31.29
Harris Bassett fees	£63.00

10. Highway/Traffic Calming Matters

The following areas needed inspecting and attending to:-

- Section of road by Westerlings, dip in road, perhaps a broken soakaway
- One of the speed bumps outside the school had been removed and not replaced. Cllr H John suggested replacing the traffic humps with either a tarmac speed bump or one made of a different material.
- Westhill Corner needed inspecting
- Investigate the possibility of traffic calming signs from Freshwater East to Lamphey

All in favour that these matters should be reported to Cllr T Hodgson to pursue.

Cllr J Purser advised the meeting that for the past three years he had been asking for the hedges to be cut earlier in the season due to the increase in traffic within the community. The visibility due to the hedges is not safe at the moment due to the high number of caravans, heavy traffic travelling on the roads at the moment. Cllr Purser would like the hedges cut around the second week of May in the future. Forward to Cllr Hodgson.

Cllr S Cannon left the meeting at 8.45 p.m

17. Highways Fund

Information from PCC to be circulated and discussed at the July Meeting.

13. Christmas Meal

It was hoped that the Christmas Meal could go ahead. Cllr N Vince had approached Lamphey School and they would be happy to sing carols at the Christmas Dinner. Funding could be used from the PCC enhancement grant which LCC had applied for and had been awarded £3,000. The meal would be a hot buffet which had worked well in previous years. Nothing could be planned yet but a possible dates are the 14, 15, 16 December subject to restrictions. Cllr A Skeels contacted the Rose Smith the booking Clerk and the only date available was the 15th December.

16. Pensions Regulator

The clerk had completed online.

18. Noticeboards

Cllr J Purser, Cllr S Cannon to liase on the repair of the Freshwater East noticeboard.

Proposed by Cllr J Purser and seconded by Cllr L Scourfield to purchase a suitable waterproof noticeboard to be sited on the front of the village hall. Cllr J Purser to purchase the noticeboard and the council would reimburse Cllr J Purser.

19. Items for the next agenda/date of next meeting

- Planning
- Highways Fund PCC
- Pop up Shops - Freshwater East
- Consultation – Clerk
- New regulations training

Possible dates for the July meeting are the 13th or 27th July

Date

Signed - Chair