

PENALLY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the General Meeting of the Penally Community Council held on Wednesday 13th February 2019 at The Village Hall, Penally at 6.30pm.

Present: Cllrs P Bradbury (Chair), J Preston (County Councillor and Vice Chair), C Bradbury, J D'Arcy, J Rilstone, M Neal and S Robinson

In attendance – The Clerk

01 2019/02 Apologies for Absence - None

02 2019/02 The Consideration of the position for new Councillors

Mr Willett and Mr Cavill addressed the Council respectively. Following which they left the meeting. Cllr Neal proposed that both candidates be co-opted to fulfil the two remaining spaces for Councillors on Penally Community Council; Cllr P Bradbury seconded the proposal with all Council in full agreement. The Clerk to contact both candidates inviting them to the March meeting to officially accept their offered positions.

03 2019/02 Chairman's Report

Nothing to report for the month of January.

04 2019/02 To Receive the Minutes of the Meeting 9th January 2019

Amendment to Minute 12 2019/01

Cllr Rilstone did not assist with the preparation of the draft works schedule.

It was proposed by Cllr Robinson that these Minutes be a true and accurate record of the meeting of Penally Community Council held upon the 9th January 2019 and be signed by the Chair as such; Cllr C Bradbury seconded the proposal with all Council in full agreement.

05 2019/02 Matters Arising from the Minutes – Information Only

None

06 2019/02 Account(s) for Payment and Presentation of Monthly Balance Sheet and report.

The Clerk advised the Council that two Cheques issued by the Council had been credited to the payee but had not been debited from the Council's bank account. The Clerk advised the Council that telephone contact had been made with both banks, but neither were able to advise further. The Clerk to write to both banks advising them both of the error and request their advice.

Melanie Priestley	Clerk Salary	£231.43
Sign Box	No Parking Signs	£86.40
G Bourke	Village Warden	£140.00
J Williams	Printing Crow News	£81.00

Cllr D'Arcy proposed that the above accounts be paid in full; Cllr Robinson seconded the proposal with all Council in full agreement.

The Clerk presented the precept balances and cash book balance to the Council along with the bank reconciliation.

Cllr Neal proposed that the banking records presented be signed by the Chair as a true representation of the Council's finances to date; Cllr D'Arcy seconded the proposal with all Council in full agreement.

07 2019/02 Planning –

NP/19/0057/TPO Lydstep Beach Holiday Park Removal and reduction of specified trees

Following consideration, the Council do not have any concerns or objections to this application.

08 2019/02 Licensing Application(s) Received – None

09 2019/02 Consideration of Correspondence Received

- Pembrokeshire County Council - Confirmation of receipt of request for 2019/20 Precept
- Pembrokeshire County Council – Planning application 18/0905/PA Passed with conditions

10 2019/02 Reports from Committees Including County Councillor's Report

Cllr Preston – County Council Report

Penally Grange

Severe disruption was caused at the Paddock on Tuesday 12th February by heavy goods vehicles that are believed to have been servicing the Penally Grange development at the rear of the old Night Owl building. The huge vehicles had used the Paddock as a turning / offloading area. This prevented the 349 Bus service from travelling through the village road and the refuse collectors were unable to access some properties due to the obstruction caused by these vehicles. I have reported the incident to the Planning Enforcement Officer, Head of Highways and Dyfed Powys Police. Heavy vehicles have been reported as using the Paddock to turn and park up since the development began. The unadopted road and pavements are in danger of becoming increasingly damaged by this traffic. I have made it clear in my correspondence to Pembrokeshire County Council that I cannot accept this disruption as part of the development process as there are alternative options that can be considered for parking and manoeuvring of these large vehicles. We are also continually challenged in maintaining a bus route through the village which is regularly unable to pass through due to the road being impassable.

Petanque / Boules Area Update

I will shortly be meeting with officers off the council to discuss the next steps. It is likely that a pre-planning advice will be required prior to making a formal planning application. The pre-application advice will I understand require a fee. Once the planning aspect is understood a site meeting will be held with myself, The Chairman of the Petanque Club and Officers of PCC's Property Department. Funding may be possible from the Improving Pembrokeshire Grant Funding or The Welsh Sports Foundation.

Community Support Grant

I have made an approach to Pembroke Power Station to seek a community support grant. If the bid is successful we could receive a contribution to offset the cost of some of the other activities that the community council has previously supported.

Budget Considerations

At a recent budget seminar councilors were asked to consider maintaining the current arrangement for supporting the Pembrokeshire Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB). Members were asked to consider using the second homes council tax to meet this cost. Whilst I understand the need to continue to support of the CAB I did raise the point that the second homes council tax was intended to offset the effects of second home ownership in the county and that those who pay the premium in general wish to see it spent on improving facilities where their second homes are i.e. playparks and upkeep of communal areas etc.

It is also worth noting that whilst PCC plans to close Tenby Tourist Information Centre next year due to it costing £45,000 per annum, investment in other areas to promote tourism is to continue. The Long Course and Ironman events in the county continue to be supported by PCC. There is no doubt that these events are of great benefit to the local economy and are key dates in our events calendar.

For Ironman the agreement for the 2017 - 2021 made by Cabinet was for the sum of £50,000 by PCC. A further £5000 to be agreed annually is to be paid by Tenby Town Council with all PCC services to be provided on the day 'in kind'.

For the Long Course weekend, the sum of £20,000 was agreed by cabinet for the 2019 event. Again, all PCC services during that weekend will be provided 'in kind'. This is on the understanding that Activity Wales will review opportunities to promote Pembrokeshire as a tourism destination. Looking at promoting tourism overall, I think there is little doubt that these events are a worthwhile investment but may have an adverse financial impact on other tourist services, namely the Tenby Tourist Information Centre.

Preparations for Leaving the EU

The Local Authority and members have recently been briefed on preparing for leaving the European Union without a deal. It is expected that supply streams will be affected, and this may have an impact on delivering some services. As we enter new trade deals costs will change accordingly and the challenge will be to minimise the impact on services and setting future budgets.

Cllr Neal – Report on behalf of PLANED

Cllr Neal attended a meeting at Hermon on the 5th February 2019 this was arranged by PLANED with Chris Johnes of the Building Communities Trust.

It was a good meeting and all well ran by Jesse from PLANED and Chris Johnes who lead us through their thoughts and ideas as to how to influence the Welsh government on issues relating to communities in Rural Wales. Chris sits on the third sector partnership council who meets with the ministers every quarter.

25/30 people from Pembrokeshire and Ceredigion attended, they represented councils, village halls, community associations, forums etc. As always with these meetings it was what they wanted to find out from us that was important to them. We split into groups to conduct workshops and then report back for general discussion.

What is always useful at these meetings is the opportunity to meet with other local people and compare notes and ideas on the way that they have done or intend to do certain things that we could replicate in our community. Solver care, which is often held up as a wonderful scheme organised by locals for the benefit of locals, started with the survey under the umbrella of Well-being in the Community. This type of survey is being used in some other locations with in Pembrokeshire. We may find that the county council will ask us for some

feedback of our needs and assets in an effort to start the process of finding out what they need to do for the well-being of residence.

With regard to the best use of village assets such as the hall, one of the council's present who is promoting the idea that their hall is used as a bunkhouse for organisations such as the guiding movement on the scouting movement. This brought in good revenue for the hall. They were also arranging an end Wednesday for all the organisations operating within the village. This helps them all have a better understanding of what goes on within the village and not just what goes on in the Village Hall itself. Some communities are very interested in "Crow News" and the ability to create contact with all residents in this way.

Agenda Items:

11 2019/02 Petanque Court/team update

As Cllr Preston's report

12 2019/02 Crow News –Consideration of Printing Costs

Discussion took place regarding the printing costs of the Crow News and whether the Council would consider making a quarterly donation to the Village Hall to assist with the printing costs with the Village Hall Committee taking on the responsibility for the Newsletter in full. Cllr Neal advised the Council that an offer had been put forward to print the newsletter for 1/2p per side of print, not including the cost of the paper, on a voluntary basis. This item has been diarised for March Meeting following further enquiries.

13 2019/02 Presentation of the Draft Asset Register (Work in Progress)

The Clerk presented a first draft of an asset Register to the Council. Discussion took place with information being passed to the Clerk. The Clerk to draft a more comprehensive copy for consideration in the March Meeting.

14 2019/02 Audit Update

Nothing to report

15 2019/02 Presentation of the Remuneration Report

The Clerk distributed copies of the Remuneration decisions to all Councillors 20 2018/11. This report is available upon request.

16 2019/02 Village Speedwatch Update

The Clerk advised the Council that contact had been made with the Policing Team supporting this initiative. If any persons wish to be considered as Speed Watch Volunteers or would like further information please contact the Clerk. This heading has been diarised for March.

17 2019/02 Consideration of a Reply to Pembrokeshire County Council's Proposed LDP Candidate Sites.

Following a lengthy discussion regarding the candidate sites, within Penally, Cllr Bradbury proposed the Clerk write a suitable letter of objection to the Pembrokeshire County Council – Local Development Plan advising them of the major concerns that Penally Community Council have regarding the proposed candidate sites – 255, 256 and 257; Cllr D'Arcy seconded the proposal with all Council in full agreement. Concerns raised included:-

- Any development in this area will have a detrimental effect on the major flooding issues within this part of the village and potentially leading to further flooding issues at Gumfreston.
- This area is an historic wetland offering a multitude of plants and fauna, if development goes ahead this bit of Penally's history and wildlife will be lost forever.
- With the approval by the Pembrokeshire County Council of two major developments in this area (one in construction stage and one having just been approved with no construction commenced to date) there will be a massive strain on the already overloaded sewerage system within Penally as well as the increase of traffic onto a very narrow, hazardous village road and cycle path. This roadway is a well used access road to the three local schools.
- It is commonly known that this site floods regularly.
- Penally Village is separated from Tenby by this last belt of green space. If development took place here Penally Village would inevitably merge with Tenby Town, losing its independence and village appeal.

18 2019/02 Penally MOD firing times – February 2019

Saturday 2nd February 2019

Saturday 16th and Sunday 17th February 2019

Normal Firing Times:-

Monday to Saturday	0830 – 1630
Sunday	1100 – 1530
Bank/Public Holidays	No firing

19 2019/02 To Minute any Declarations of Interests made

None

20 2019/02 Date of next meeting – Wednesday 13th March 2019

Cllr Bradbury brought it to the Council's attention that, due to prior commitments, the Annual Meeting of Penally Community Council is now proposed to be held on the 15th May 2019 (TO BE CONFIRMED IN MARCH MEETING)

Meeting ended at 22.00

