

Minutes of meeting held 6th March 2019

Present: Cllr S Williams (chair), Cllr B Brown, Cllr D Richards, Cllr E Parker, Mrs A Randall (clerk)

Apologies: County Cllr M Bateman

Declarations of interest - none

Presentation from National Trust

The meeting started with a presentation from Rhian Sula, Operations Manager for National Trust at the Stackpole/Bosherston Estate. The reason for Rhian's visit was to inform the community council of concerns about the increasing number of visitors to the beach at Freshwater West and surrounding areas. The huge number of visitors last year had put pressure on the facilities available, including toilets, rubbish bins, roads and parking and RNLI lifeguards. Much of this was due to a significant number (up to 40) of motorhomes and caravan owners illegally parking overnight to avoid paying overnight fees elsewhere. (Some visitors were staying up to 2 weeks).

Rhian was meeting with local community councils in the area to gather their views on how to address this problem. She has also set up a Steering Group for other key stakeholders, including RNLI, MOD, PCC and the Coastal Forum and would like a councillor from ACC to join the group alongside reps from other community councils. The Steering Group held their first meeting in November 2018 to identify the issues and met for a second time in January to discuss ways to resolve the issues identified.

Actions to take forward to date include the following:

- Conducting a survey to gather data on why visitors visit Freshwater beach and the surrounding area.
- Holding a drop-in session for local people on **Tuesday 19th March from 3-7pm at Castlemartin Community Café** to gain their views.
- Discussing the road/parking issues with PCC to explore employing enforcement officers overnight to stop illegal parking and extend the deployment of double yellow lines along the roads.
- Obtaining some data from RNLI lifeguards on the number of people who had needed their help over the last few years, to identify whether there was an upward trend and what pressure this was putting on the service.

After some discussion about the problems ACC agreed that one of their councilors would attend future Steering Group meetings. Rhian agreed to keep the community council informed of progress and that she would let us have a poster to display in the village advertising the meeting at Castlemartin Café.

Rhian left the meeting at 7pm and the main meeting started.

Minutes of last meeting: Minutes agreed and signed.

1. Matters arising and updates:

- 1. Update on action points from last meeting Cleared
- 2. <u>West Angle Bay Car park</u> update. Cllr Williams has sent further information to PCC and PCNPA as agreed when the community council met in February to support the community view against parking charges being introduced at West Angle Bay. PCC are due to meet on 20th March but as the

meeting agenda has not been published it's not clear whether this item will be discussed. Cllr Brown agreed to attend the meeting as an observer and will feed the outcome back to ACC at their next meeting.

Action point – Cllr Brown to attend PCC meeting on 20th March and will feed outcome back to ACC at their next meeting.

- 3. <u>Response from Welsh Water re flooding in the village</u> ACC have received a comprehensive reply from Welsh Water. They have repaired the water main that burst recently and have checked the sewerage pumping system, which is operating normally. They went on to explain that they are unable to fix all the issues due to the increase of impermeable area from new developments and extensions and patios and the change in climate causing heavier rainfall events. Should any future discharge be noticed during dry weather residents can call 0800 085 3968 and Welsh Water will send a crew out to investigate. The letter is available for residents to view on request.
- 4. <u>Update on Village Shop</u> Currently on hold.
- 5. <u>Defibrillator training update</u> Currently waiting for response from Kim Lloyd-Owen, operations manager at Welsh Hearts to ACC's invitation to arrange an evening in May/June for fibrillator training that residents in the village will also be invited to attend.
- 6. <u>Filling councillor vacancies</u> Ongoing There are 2 councillor posts available. The deadline for residents to write to PCC requesting an election expires 14th March. If the threshold of 10 letters have not been received by this date the process will move to the next stage, which is co-option, when the posts will be advertised. Mrs Randall will give a progress report at the next meeting. Anyone interested in becoming a councillor should contact Cllr Williams or Mrs Randall.
- 7. <u>Financial Management and Governance Report</u>. Cllrs agreed to keep this subject on the agenda to ensure ACC is adhering to its recommendations.
- 8. <u>Councillor payments for 2019 2020</u> Cllrs were issued with a proforma to sign to indicate whether they wished to claim the £150 expenses allowance recommended by the IRP.
- <u>Cover for Chair's absence from 11th to 31st March inclusive</u>- Cllr Brown kindly agreed to be the first point of contact for the clerk should she need advice or support.

2. Treasurers Report

- 1. <u>Bank balance and transactions</u> At the end of February there was:
 - a) £2,744.92 in the current account
 - **b)** £3,002.29 in the reserve account
 - c) £11.955.67 in the Sun Edison account.
- 2. <u>Cheques for signing</u> 1 cheque written ie £177.06 for clerk's wages and expenses.
- **3.** <u>Budget Review and IRP recommendations</u> Acknowledgement received from PCC to ACC's request for community council funding for 2019-2020 to remain the same as 2018-2019, ie £4,200.
- **4.** <u>Membership renewal One Voice Wales</u> Notification received that the cost for 2019-2020 is £64. ACC agreed to renew and to raise a cheque for payment at their April meeting.
- **3.** Sun Edison community fund No applications for funds have been submitted but Cllr Richards has suggested using some of the fund to commission a plaque engraved with the names of those Angle

residents who had given their lives in the second world war. The plaque would be mounted on the village hall walls.

Action Point – Cllr Richards will investigate the cost of producing the plaque and will report back at the next meeting

4. Planning issues

- 1. <u>NP/19/0078/FUL Jeffreyston Walls</u> No objections raised.
- 2. <u>NP/19/0112/FUL Globe House</u> prefabricated pod accommodation No objections raised.
- 3. <u>18/1260/PA Western Power Distribution Overhead cables –</u> Cllrs to forward any objections to Mrs Randall for her to submit. No objections raised at the meeting.

5. Highway Matters

- Valero junction layout update. PCC has informed ACC that Valero has made tentative enquiries about the possible change of priorities at Wallaston 3 Cross but nothing has been agreed. A consultation process would need to be undertaken before any such changes are made and the PCC have offered to keep ACC informed of any proposal.
- 6. Haven Waterway Enterprise Zone. Mrs Randall has sent a copy of the letter she sent in November 2018 inviting the chief exec of the Port Authority to attend a community council meeting to discuss future plans for the waterway. She will update ACC when she receives a reply.

7. Training.

1. Cllr Williams attending Council as an employer 7th March 2019

8. Meetings attended by Cllrs and Forthcoming meetings.

- <u>Power Station meeting</u> Cllr Brown is due to attend a meeting on 27th March and will enquire about the recent planning proposal at Greenhill farm and the proposal to change the layout of the road junction. He will feed back to ACC at their April meeting.
- 2. <u>Angle Village Hall</u>- Cllr Williams attended.
- Angle Community Forum Cllr Williams attended latest meeting. She was made aware that ACF is also holding funds which are available to the community for their benefit. ACC discussed the merits of combining this fund with the Sun Edison Fund which they administer. However, if this were done adequate governance would need to be put in place.

Action point – Cllr Williams will discuss pooling resources with ACF and how to operate the fund should this be agreed

9. Additional Communication received.

- Email from Wales Sportive giving notice of road closures in the area over the Long Course Weekend from 5th -7th July. Plans will be publicised to Angle Community nearer the time.
- Email from Calor publicising their Rural Community Fund. Applications for funding up to £5,000 for community projects from 5th March to 29th April. Decided not to go ahead at the moment as there is still a significant level of funding in the Sun Edison Fund and ACF funds available. Cllr Williams will circulate to AVH and ACF.

- Letter from Wales Air Ambulance requesting a donation- Request declined due to small size of precept.
- Letter from Pembroke Town Council inviting ACC Councillors to this year's Landing Craft Disaster Service on Thursday 25th April at Freshwater West. Cllrs agreed to discuss this at their next meeting to decide who would attend.
- Email from Cllr Cris Tomos inviting ACC to a meeting 'Beyond Brexit, Preparing Pembrokeshire' on **12**th March. No interest shown.

10. Additional issues / Updates

Cllr Brown has been approached by a resident who would like to purchase the tent and trailer. ACC discussed the practicalities of taking this forward. Needs further consideration re liability of equipment and additional information re costs of marquee and trailer required, together with original funding source for purchase of marquee. Cllr Williams agreed to find the original paperwork and to look into this proposal.

Action Point- Cllr Williams to seek out the original paperwork for discussion at the April meeting.

2. ACC has received a reply from the owner of Castle Farm regarding the problems she has been experiencing with her sheep escaping from their field. ACC agreed to forward a copy of her reply to Pembrokeshire County Council to obtain their comments on whose responsibility it is to maintain the fences/gates that the sheep are getting through.

Action point – Mrs Randall will forward a copy of the email to PCC for their response. Update at next meeting.

Meeting closed at 20.05.

Date and time of next meeting – Wednesday 10th April 2019 at 18.30

Signed:

Date:

Minutes can be made available in Welsh on request.