

Minutes of the Meeting of Marloes & St. Brides Community Council held on
Thursday 19th November 2015 at Marloes Village Hall

Present:- Cllr. L. Beal (Chairman), together with Cllrs. C. Jessop, S. Twidale,
P. Smithies, W. Richards & S. Burnett

- Mrs. Y. C. Evans - Clerk to the Council
- County Cllr. R. Owens
- Community Residents – R. Morgan & R. Titley.

1) Minutes - The minutes of the October meeting having been circulated to members, were approved on the proposal of Cllr. Jessop, seconded by Cllr. Richards.

2) Matters Arising

a) Police Matters – Clerk advised that a complaint about youth behaviour had been made at the start of half term. She had contacted PCSO Paul Mayhew, and he had agreed to make more visits during that week. No further problems had occurred. Cllr. Owens advised that the officer is about to be transferred to the Milford area. Noted.

b) County Council – Highways.

Clock Tower footpath – Noted trees overhanging path have been removed.

Speed Limit – to discuss with Ben Blake next week.

Jubilee Villas – Clerk read out a letter received from Mrs. S. Davies dated the 11th October. Since that time, a letter has been sent to Dale Castle Estate for action to be taken as landowners. It was suggested to Cllr. Owens that perhaps a site meeting of relevant parties would be the next step rather than legal action. Surface water seepage still to be rectified.

Martins Haven – Cllrs. Jessop & Smithies will meet Mr. Blake on site next week. Cllr. Owens suggested that they take the opportunity to look at any other outstanding issues at the same time. Photographs had been e-mailed.

Road Closure – St. Ishmaels/Marloes roads. Work involving traffic controls was largely completed during half term week. Contractor still installing cables, but problems are being experienced. Cllr. Burnett advised she had checked on-line, and it is likely that the December date for completion will be missed.

Milford Road – A complaint had been passed to Cllr. Owens about mud on the roadway between St. Ishmaels and Herbrandston. The farmer is hosing down the road on a regular basis, but the recent heavy rain is making the problems worse, and visitors especially will not be aware of potential problem areas.

Road flooding – A problem area before Crabhall identified earlier in the year

- had also been reported to Cllr. Owens for attention by Highway staff.
- c) Clock Tower – Letter has recently been sent to HPB Ltd. Noted that a group staying at the Castle were holding an impromptu concert in St. Brides Church tonight, and had used local businesses during their stay. Restaurant managers had finished, and new people to be appointed.
 - d) County Council Consultation – Clerk had circulated follow-up paperwork.
 - e) Apple Day, St. Brides – The day had been very successful. Local bee-keepers had been involved with a display and talk. Next year the event will be on Sunday 16th October. Church members will run the Café again, and the Local History Group had been offered a neighbouring cottage for a display on St. Brides history. Noted that the Ranger, Hayley Barrett is away until next May, and the former Ranger, Haydn Garlick is providing cover in the meantime.
 - f) Independent Remuneration Panel – Section 10 - Action may need to be taken by the Council on this matter.
 - g) Code of Conduct Flowchart - Noted this had been circulated by PCC.
 - h) PCC – Draft Charter – Clerk to re-circulate e-mail. Any comments to be sent to Clerk who will liaise with the Chairman to agree any response. Parts of the charter will not be relevant, as this area is covered by PCNPA for planning matters, and also other land use issues.
 - i) Remembrance Service – Cllr. Beal had laid the wreath on behalf of the Community. Other Councillors had also been present.
 - j) Marine Consultation Event – No one had attended the recent event at Fishguard hosted by the Coastal Forum.

3. Community Issues

- a) National Trust Matters – Noted that Mr. Tuddenham will attend next month. E-mail dated 18/11/15 circulated for information. He is planning to advise the Council about a lease of the Runwayskilm buildings, also the proposal for a new bird hide. Noted that promotional videos and an audio trail has been produced recently, and local residents have been involved. Clerk to publish link in the Council report to Peninsula Papers, and Mrs. Royle to be asked to put a link on the Marloes website.
- b) Exception Site – An e-mail from Mrs Shobbrook, PCC had confirmed that Royal Mail had accepted the name of Town Meadow, and had provided a post code. Noted that W. B. Griffiths are the main contractor. The archaeologists have been on site, and have found some wall structures. There was a cottage close to this site up to the early 1900's. Clerk to contact Pembrokeshire Housing to find out how long the contract will be before completion. Planning Consent on reserved matters – see below.
- c) Former Postman – Martin Shobbrook. Mrs Shobbrook had advised the

Clerk that Martin is enjoying his retirement. He is not missing the bad weather, but does miss chatting to the locals. He bought two water features for his garden, and a picture of Marloes Sands from the gift given by the Community.

- d) Marloes Post Office – The meeting was advised that the application submitted by Mr. Lucas had been received by the Post Office. There will now be a formal interview of Mr. & Mrs. Lucas to discuss the application and their plans for the business. A decision will be made some time after that meeting.

4) Correspondence

a) E-Mail Letters–

12/10/15 & 18/11/15– Police & Crime Comm. – October & Christmas Newsletters.

13/10/15 – OVW- Grow Wild Community Funding Projects

13/10/15 – OVW – Register for free Grow Wild Seed Kits.

14/10/15 – OVW will represent Councils at the Public Service Event in Cardiff on 26/11/15 – Noted.

21/10/15 & 05/11 – Local Services Board newsletter & 14/15 Annual Review

21/10/15 – Welsh Govt. research project. Invitation e-mailed for eight local councils to take part in a joint discussion. Noted.

21/10/15 – WG – Re Draft Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Bill – consultation closes on 18/01/16.

22/10/15 – OVW – Green Paper – WG is seeking views on Health Care Services.

26/10/15 – Cllr. C. Jessop – Advised that there is a charging point for electric vehicles in the National Trust car park at Martins Haven – operational only when the Hut is open.

27/10/15 – Noted that Dale Fort Field Study Centre may be closing over this winter.

29/10/15 – WG/OVW – Community & Town Councils Newsletter – October 2105.

30/10/15 – OVW – Database query answered by Clerk. Noted.

02/11/15 – OVW – Request to view letters sent by this Community Council with regard to the Designated Landscapes Review to provide information prior to meeting of OVW with PCNPA. Noted.

03/11/15 – OVW – The Ombudsman's Casebook – Issue 22 published.

03/11/15 – Cllr. CJ/Keep Wales Tidy – Groundwork Tesco Grant up to £12,000.

- 03/11/15 – OVW – Where people walk? - Ramblers Cymru – Leaflet available.
- 04/11/15 – OVW – Guidance on Pensions – Auto Enrolment – Cllr. Burnett to read e-mail to establish if Clerk would be eligible.
- 05/11/15 – OVW – Review of Grant Funding to Community & Town Councils.
- 12/11/15 – OVW – Policing Priorities Consultation.
- 12/11/15 – OVW – WG guidance on allotments & Community Led projects.
- 16/11/15 – OVW – Wales Audit Office Newsletter – Clerk to review.
- 16/11/15 – PCC – Oil Purchasing Clubs in Pembrokeshire – Contact Philip Jackson – 01437 775635. Cllr. Owens advised that in Herbrandston there is an unofficial arrangement for a few households.
- 17/11/15 – OVW response to “Well Being for Future Generations” consultation.
- 18/11/15 – Police Precept Survey.

Clerk advised members that she forwards grant details to both local organisations and Coastlands School as they are received. She also forwards e-mails to members if the matter is urgent. E-mails on Training sessions and WG vacancies are not reported to members as agreed previously. Noted.

Other Correspondence:-

- a) Review of Secondary School Provision in the Haverfordwest area – notice of Public Information Sessions. Posters received for display and e-mail.
- b) Hywel Dda University Health Board – Sept. 2015 & 21/10/15 – Mental Health Project Group – details of Engagement Groups/Workshops. Clerk to include information in Peninsula Papers.
- c) Hywel Dda U.H. B. - Newsletter Issue 13- Autumn 2015 received, also posters detailing the Lets Talk Events, with the nearest one being in Milford Haven on the 14th December. Information will be in Peninsula Papers.
- d) Advert card from www.realisefutures.org/eco-furniture.
- e) Clerk & Councils Direct – November 2015 Issue 102 received.

5) Planning Matters

- a) NP/05/062 – Land by Anchor Cottage – Agreed that Cllr. Owens arrange a meeting of the Community Council with Ms. Bolton, so that a site for a passing bay between Green Meadow junction and Ashdale House can be agreed. Funding for any work would then need to be discussed with the Highway Authority.

- b) Slate Mill – Certificate of Lawful Use is still outstanding. Clerk had been advised by Ms Jane Gibson that this is being dealt with by PCNPA.
- c) Mobile Infrastructure Projects – (PEM 0270) – Clerk has been advised that the agent withdrew the application because the site was in a prohibited area (Scheduled Ancient Monument) for development on the old airfield. Agreed that letters are written to the local AM and MP, and copied to relevant parties. Dale C. C. had expressed their disappointment to the Park on this matter. Kate Atrill (National Park) had advised that there were alternative sites that could be considered. Cllr. Burnett reported on her enquiries to Welsh Government.
- d) NP/15/0536/FUL & 0537/LBA – Reinstatement of Cranford, St. Brides to single dwelling with single storey extension to west. Alteration & refurbishment of stable & coach house as ancillary accommodation and garage. Consents have been received on this application. Noted that there were specific conditions with regard to the future use of the Stable and Coach House.
- e) NP/15/0428 & 0429/FUL & LBA – St. Brides Castle – Extension to Unit – Consents have been received for this application.
- f) NP/15/0457/FUL - First Floor Balcony at Slate Mill Lodge. Clerk advised that following an administrative error this application was approved by the National Park despite an objection by this Council. Clerk had spoken to Ms Jane Gibson (PCNPA) who had apologised and had offered to attend a meeting of the Council to explain the administrative process and how applications are handled by the Authority. After discussion, it was agreed that Ms Gibson is invited to the January meeting, and that the Chief Executive is also invited. Cllr. Owens advised that he would discuss this with officers of the Park.
- g) NP/15/0467/DOC – Town Meadow, Marloes - Discharge of consents 5, 6, 7 & 8 – Copy of letter from Welsh Water and the NP response attached. Noted.
- h) PCNPA – 04/11/15 – Update on LDP Land Allocations. Noted that the site in St. Ishmaels is going to the Development Committee this month.
- i) NP/15/0604/FUL – The Green, Marloes – Raise roof line, and extend existing front extension. Members agreed that design alterations to the middle dwelling improves the profile of the three properties (Tom the Keepers and Ivy Cottage are adjacent). However it was agreed that parking should be allowed for within the curtilage of the site, as parking on the Green is not permitted.
- j) Square Farm – NP/12/0179 – The meeting noted that work had recently started on this site, and that planning consent was granted in 2012.

6) Financial Matters

- a) Digital photo album – Cllr. Jessop advised he intended preparing a trial display in the next few weeks, and invite comments on the contents.
- b) Clock Tower Maintenance – Visit due shortly.
- c) Electricity Payment – Clerk advised an update of the account had been received – to check if the monthly payment is still £7.
- d) Village Hall – Cllr. Twidale advised that the last Insurance payment on the Hall was £553-81p. Agreed that the annual donation to the Hall for 2016/17 can be considered at the January 2016 meeting.
- e) Wales Audit Office – 24/09/15 – Noted that the Auditor General for Wales will be the statutory auditor for the next three years.
- f) Keep Wales Tidy – Financial Appeal noted.
- g) Lloyds Bank statements received.

7) Urgent Matters, if any

- a) Defibrillators – Noted that two more have been sited on the Marloes/Dale Peninsular area.
- b) Carol Singing – See details in Peninsula Papers
- c) Beach Cleaning, Marloes Sands – see details in Peninsula Papers.
- d) St. Peter's Burial Ground – Mr. Morgan (Church Warden) referred to the issue raised some months ago. After discussion, the Clerk (who is also a Church Warden) was asked by the Council to find out if the Vicar would advise what action can be taken if no further “new burials” can take place in the Churchyard. Mrs. Evans also advised this matter would be discussed at the Parochial Church Council meeting in January.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting. It was agreed that the next meetings of the Council will be held on Thursday 17th December 2015 at Marloes Village Hall. The meeting in January 2016 will be held on Monday 11th.