

Minutes of the Meeting of Marloes & St. Brides Community Council held on
Monday 12th February 2018 at Marloes Village Hall

Present:- Cllr. C. Jessop (Vice-Chairman), together with Cllrs. Johnson, Beal and Richards.

- Mrs. Y. C. Evans - Clerk to the Council
- Mrs. Sam Trimby (Community Resident)
- Mr. Dan Wynn – PCNP Ranger

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. P. Smithies (Chairman), Cllr. J. Kimpton and County Cllr. Reg Owens.

The Chairman welcomed Mr. Wynn to the meeting. Mr. Wynn outlined the action he proposed to take with regard to improving the access to St. Brides Church, and the footpath that passes through the churchyard, both for the able bodied and for those with disabilities. He will also put a marker post nearer to the Cliff Cottage entrance to deter vehicles parking near to the cliff edge. He is aware that the area is covered by a parking order, but the County Council do not take action to prohibit misuse. There was minimal overnight parking last year. Lime Kilns – The undermining of the cliff in this area is being monitored, and action will be taken to protect visitors if the erosion worsens.

Marloes Sands/Mill Bay – He will be willing to cooperate with the National Trust to minimise the rubbish problems at Mill Bay and Matthew Slade. He was aware there would be a Litter Pick organised by the Trust on February 23rd from 2-4pm. Matt Thompson (National Trust) had advised the Clerk he will ensure that any rubbish at the bottom of the Sandy Lane will be cleared, and signs erected to deter the collection of more rubbish. Notices elsewhere may be needed. It is not known as yet what arrangements will be made by the County Council reference the provision of a Beach Warden for rubbish clearance this summer. The Clerk advised that the County Council do not undertake any work with regard to dog litter now, as this is not statutory. Further joint action on combatting this problem may be necessary.

Musselwick Path – Cllr. Jessop drew attention to the present state of this access path. The persistent rain and the amount of use it gets has made this path very muddy. Mr. Wynn agreed to look at this.

Airfield Path Dale/Marloes – Members outlined a proposal to upgrade the signage on this path from both directions to encourage greater use as an alternative to walkers using the C and B Class roads. He agreed to consider this request, and asked the Council to send on an e-mail outlining their proposal which he could forward on to

others.

Medieval Fish Ponds, St. Brides – Mr. Wynn drew attention to the work undertaken by the National Park to reinstate the fish-ponds in the wooded area behind the telephone box. More work is needed to prevent leakage of water. Noted.

Footpaths Maintenance – He advised that all coastal paths had been cleared, and attention has now turned to inland paths, and the team are presently working in the Walwyn's Castle area.

Mr. Wynn was thanked by the Chairman for his attendance, and advised he was welcome to remain if he wished. He left the meeting at 20.05pm

- 1) Minutes - The minutes of the January meeting having been circulated to members were approved, on the proposal of Cllr. Beal, seconded by Cllr. Richards.
- 2) Matters Arising
 - a) Police Matters – No contact this month.
 - b) County Council – Highways etc.
20mph - No information as yet as to when the 20mph would be in place.
Street Lights – Some light repaired, and others still not working.
Village toilets – No action by Daflo as yet.
 - c) St. Brides Pay Phone – Clerk has contacted BT again, and is waiting a response.
 - d) Members Declarations – Clerk had contacted the PCC officer who had given specific advice with regard to representation on the Village Hall Committee. She was willing to offer further training to a group of Council representatives if this can be arranged. The Clerk had circulated this to neighbouring Councils and was waiting a response.
 - e) St. Brides - see matters above.
 - f) Seismic Buoy (350 kilos) – Yellow Buoy – Now needs to be moved from Fopston Yard. Cllr. Jessop will contact Cllr. Owens to see if the County Council can help.
 - g) Moss Cottage – Letter sent by the Clerk to a contact address, but no response from the Edwards family as yet.
 - h) PCC Refuse Survey – Clerk had responded on-line.
 - i) Churchyard – The Church PCC had discussed this problem, but no easy solution has been identified as yet.
 - j) Skomer Talk, 19th February at the Village Hall – Arrangements have been agreed with the Wardens. Noted the Hall will need to be set up for that evening. Agreed that any donations on the night should be put towards local Village/Community projects.

3. Community Issues

- a) Village Green – No contact from the PCC officer as yet. Council to proceed with the Registration of the remaining Green with the Land Registry.
- b) Rubbish/Dog Fouling - Noted the County Council will not now assist with this matter.
- c) National Park matters – See item above.
- d) Notice Board - Cllr. Smithies to be asked if Mr. Wells, Dale Camp had a suitable board available. If not, the Council will need to obtain quotes for a replacement, as the present board is subject to water ingress.

4) Correspondence

a) Correspondence – See below.

- i. M&DPADS – 13/01/18 – Request from the Secretary of this Group for assistance towards the purchase of replacement Defibrillators for the local area. It was noted that one of the first to be replaced will be the one at the Marloes Village Toilets. Agreed that this is considered next January when the Precept for 2018/19 is under consideration. Clerk to respond accordingly.
- ii. Paul Davies AM – January 2018. Posters received in respect of the Advice Surgeries he will be holding in 2018. There will be one in Dale on the 26th October. Also received a copy of Intouch. Mr. Davies is also willing to attend a meeting of the Council. Noted.

b) E-Mails

09/01/18 – P. Newman – Welsh National Marine Plan Events – Saundersfoot Event; also a consultation until the 29th March.

10/01/18 – Public Health (Wales) Act 2017 – Section 8 Local Toilet Strategies – draft guidance to Local Authorities – consultation up to 04/04/18.

16/01/18 – OVW – Proposals to tackle crime & poor performance in the waste sector – Noted.

17/01/18 – OVW – General Data Protection Regulation & attachment. To be circulated to all members.

18/01/18 – OVW – Bee Friendly Scheme – This has been adopted by Coastlands School.

23/01/18 – Play Wales – Town & Community Council Survey. Noted.

25/01/18 – OVW – Jan. 2018 News Bulletin. Reference to Welsh Language Scheme, also Data Protection.

- 26/01/18 – Wales Gov. Independent Review Panel – Meeting at Carmarthen on the 13th March at the Civic Hall, Carmarthen.
- 31/01/18 – OVW – Budget Preparations 2018/19 – Allowances to Councillors.
- 31/01/18 – Mid & W.W. Fire & Rescue Services – Calan Tan Edition 3 – Winter 2018 - forward to Cllr. Beal.
- 02/02/18 – OPCC – Feb. Newsletter - Noted.
- 05/02/18 – Community Health Council – AGM at Camrose on 14/02/18.
- 07/02/18 – OVW – The Ombudsman’s Casebook – Issue 31 noted.
- 07/02/18 – OVW – End to Local Govt. fees for child burials – Noted.
- 09/02/18 – OVW – Welsh Language Commission Business Survey. Noted.
- 09/02/18 – OVW – Women’s Suffrage Centenary Celebrations. Noted.

5) Planning Matters

- a) NP/17/0717/FUL – St. Brides Farm, St. Brides – Change of use of existing timber sheds from agricultural use to pony riding stables. Letter received from National Park advising that this application has been withdrawn. Noted that an application will be resubmitted in due course.
- b) NP/17/0613 – 7, Gaylane Terrace, Marloes – Mr. Griffiths has advised that work will start immediately, and every effort will be made by himself and the contractor to minimise disturbance to neighbours and to passing traffic. Noted that it was possible that similar work may be undertaken on nearby houses, but no planning applications have been received as yet.
- c) NP/17/0605/FUL - Shamrolee, Marloes - Takeaway Pizza & Pasta Kitchen. Planning consent has been granted subject to conditions. Use to be between the hours of 17.00 to 20.00 Thursday to Saturday only – subject to specific class A3 of the Town & Country Planning Order. Also to create a customer parking bay within 3 months. (Councillors noted that this work was already completed.)
- d) NP/16/0594 – Crabhall Barn – Notice of refusal received. The first reason concerned the likelihood of flooding affecting the building. The second reason was linked to the availability of public transport. Members agreed that this second point needed to be challenged, as this could affect any new developments in rural areas.
- e) LDP Important Update – e-mail received dated 16/01/18. A delay is possible because Welsh Govt. has asked if a joint LDP could be pursued with neighbouring areas. Asking for a Councillor to be nominated as a contact person.

f) Annual Monitoring Report – Hard copy requested.

g) Planning Aid – Workshop in Tenby. Noted.

6) Financial Matters

a) 2016/17 Audit – Register of Member's interests. Clerk has received advice from Paul Egan, One Voice Wales – Need to put Declarations of Interest on-line, but do not have to complete a full annual declaration.

b) Lloyds Bank – Bank Statements received.

c) Council Tax Base – 2018/19 – E- mail dated 31/01/18 received from Heidi Morrison, Senior Revenue officer advising that the Community now has a higher tax base because of the second home premium. The Clerk also advised that there is to be a special grant fund available for Community Councils with higher numbers of holiday homes – details/criteria are being worked on at present, and councils will be advised in due course.

d) Election Expenses – Details have been received by e-mail from Caroline Maddocks (PCC Senior Accountant)with regard to specific expenses a Community Council may expect to pay in future. If necessary, a Council would have up to 2 years to repay election expenses.

e) One Voice Wales – Membership 2018/19 - £60. Agreed to approve this payment next month.

f) Ebico Payment – Noted that the unit price will increase from the 1st March. Payment rate is still £2 per month.

g) Financial requests received from Tenovus and from Paul Sartori. Noted.

h) Standing Orders – Clerk has obtained copies of the Orders used by The Havens C. C. - to be circulated to members for consideration.

7) Clock Tower

Night Silencing – Mrs. Trimby was advised that the Council will require a letter requesting night silencing for this summer.

No other matters raised this month.

8) Urgent Matters

- a) May Event – Cllr. Jessop advised that it was intended to hold a Family Quiz to raise funds for the play area.
- b) Gaylane Terrace Car Park Steps – Noted that the steps are slippery and require remedial work.
- c) School/Service Bus Route – Noted that in St. Ishmaels a protruding hedge is catching the bus as it travels through the village. Clerk to advise the Clerk to St. Ishmaels C. C.
- d) St. Brides Historical Leaflet – The Clerk advised that the Local History Group has started the process to draft a leaflet for St. Brides, on similar lines to the one produced last year for Marloes.

There being no other business, the Chairman closed the meeting. The next meeting is to be held on Monday 12th March 2018 when the draft minutes of the February meeting will be submitted for approval.