

Minutes of the Meeting of Marloes & St. Brides Community Council held on
Monday 11th February 2013 at Marloes Village Hall.

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

- Community Residents – R. Black, M. Cullen, R. Titley and M. Smith
- Clerk to the Council - Mrs. Y. Evans

Apologies were received from County Cllr. Owen (15/02/13)

- 1) The minutes of the January meeting were read, approved, and then signed by the Chairman, Cllr. Richards, proposed by Cllr. Jessop, seconded by Cllr. Twidale

2) Matters Arising

- a) Skomer Warden – E-mail sent on 17/01/13 advised that some action had been taken with the web-sites – e-mail circulated for information.
- b) National Park Matters – Frankies Lane is now open for access. Clerk to speak to Hayley Barrett, Ranger about St. Brides matters.
- c) Police Matters – Details of meeting dates sent to Sgt. Vaughan. No problems locally, but Police Marine vehicle has been seen in the area.
- d) Recreation Area – No matters to report.
- e) County Council – Highways. Clerk advised that in addition to the previous problems there was also a new problem in St. Brides to be reported – blocked culvert near the entrance to St. Brides Castle. Noted that the tree near Mullock Bridge Farmhouse had been removed by the County Council contractor.
- f) Unsung Hero – Advised by Sarah Warby (PCC) that the Warden was not eligible for the Award because he was self-employed. Members thought the Radio Pembrokeshire Local Hero Award had closed recently. Noted.
- g) Clock Tower Footpath – Clerk had spoken to Sean Tilling (PCC). He will arrange for the Lane to be inspected but they will only undertake minor works. Cllr. Twidale advised a tree branch was overhanging the path. He had suggested talking to Planed if a major upgrade was required to improve the path, remove large trees, and improve hedge security. The footpath was a community path link. Cllr. Burnett volunteered to contact Planed.
- h) Glebe Lane – Clerk to contact Welsh Water about the recent problems. Cllr. Burnett has photographs available to pass on to the officer.
- i) South Hook – See item under correspondence.
- j) One Voice Wales – Cllr. Burnett read out a report on this meeting which she

and Cllr. Twidale had attended. The presentation had been about the Post Office Service, and she advised that the government intends investing in the Service over the coming years – aiming to avoid further closures. Postmasters to decide what level of investment was appropriate. It was agreed at the meeting that Cllr. McDermott, Saundersfoot C. C. would be a Councillor representative on the Stakeholder Forum reference the Marine Conservation Zones – see Item 3c below. Membership of One Voice Wales in Pembrokeshire is low, and only a few Councils were represented. Next meeting to be held on the 16th April.

- k) PALC – The Clerk reported on this meeting held on the 26th January. Although their membership is greater than that of One Voice Wales in Pembrokeshire the numbers at the AGM were low, and the larger Town Councils are no longer members. Planed gave a presentation on their work.
- l) PCC – Rights of Way. Matt Cloud had advised that Permissive paths are not included on the legal register of rights of way. Members considered that some of the paths recorded were incorrect, and it was agreed to that the Clerk refer these errors to Mr. Cloud.

3) Community Issues

a) Village Action Plan

Village Hall – Cllr. Twidale advised that the Outline Proposal had been accepted, and they have until the 8th August to make the full application. Heritage – Mrs Evans advised that she had passed a copy of the Action Plan to the Local History Group, with the intention of holding a meeting in the autumn to encourage a local heritage group to form.

b) Puffin Buses/Local Service – Clerk had made a response as planned. Members of the public present expressed concern that changes to the Puffin Schedule may affect the local service facility. Agreed that the Clerk contact County Councillor Owen on this matter.

c) Marine Conservation Zones – Noted in 2j above that Cllr. McDermott will be the local Councillor representative. Cllr. Smithies had contacted him, and he has agreed to attend the next meeting on the 11th March.

Clerk to send him the Council's response to the consultation. It was agreed that the Chairman of Dale C. C. and the Clerk is invited to attend this meeting. It is hoped that that Dale C. C. will reciprocate in future if issues merit this Council attending one of their meetings. Clerk referred to minutes of earlier meetings of the Stakeholder Group – no Councillors attended the first meeting. The next meeting will be held at Aberystwyth on the 26th February, and then on the 26th March at Milford Haven. It was agreed that the Clerk forward the relevant e-mails so that they were informed before meeting Cllr. McDermott.

4) Correspondence

- a) E-Mail Letters – Clerk referred to some of the e-mails received.
 - 09/01/13 – Welsh Government – Section 137 – noted that the sum per elector for 2013/14 is £6.98.
 - 19/12/12 – One Voice Wales – Buckingham Palace Garden Parties - Passed to Chairman. Noted
 - 15/01/13 – PCC – The Beach Safety Officer, Myrddin Dennis inspects the phones every 4-6 weeks out of season, and fortnightly in season – faults can be notified to him.
 - 15/01/13 – Sustainability Wales – Consultation Event – Clerk to advise Cllr. Jessop of dates in Carmarthen.
 - 30/01/13 -Welsh Government & 30/01/13 One Voice Wales – Websites for Town & Community Councils - £1.25m funding. Asked to wait for contact from the County Council. This Council may not qualify as there is already a local website.
 - 01/02/13 – Improvement Objectives – Dan Shaw, PCC. Cllr. Burnett agreed to look at this matter.
 - 03/02/13 – PALC – Website log-on advice available. Noted.
- b) AON – The Employers' Liability Tracing Office(ELTO) – Clerk to take action to establish that she does not need to provide an Employee Reference Number to the insurance company. Noted.
- c) Hywel Dda Health Board – Documents received were the Stakeholder Briefing, and “Balancing Opinion; Executive Summary”, by Opinion Research Services (ORS). Noted.
- d) South Hook – Proposed Combined Heat & Power Plant – Further documents received from RPS Planning & Development Ltd, dated 07/02/13 were received and noted. Cllrs Jessop & Smithies reported on the visits they had made to the Consultation Meetings. Cllr. Jessop advised that he had suggested to a Project Officer for South Hook PLC that if Solar Photovoltaic Cells were placed on the roof of the new plant then the income raised could be allocated to a Community Benefit Fund. This could compensate the surrounding communities that do not benefit from the provision of gas in their area. It was agreed that Cllr. Jessop draft a letter putting this proposal to South Hook for formal consideration. It was noted that methane detectors will be placed around the plant to enable an emergency shut down if necessary. Noise issues had been discussed, and it was noted that there would be three buildings rather than one to reduce any noise problems. Mrs. Evans advised that the Clerk to Herbrandston C. C. had telephoned to ask if noise complaints were received about the ships on the jetty. He had said that work on the offending boats was ahead of schedule. Noted that there had been an LNG incident some 40 years go at Staten Island, USA,

although this had not been referred to during the consultation for South Hook.

- e) Planed – Copies of the 2012/13 Newsletter were distributed to Council members. Details of the Planed AGM on the 20th March were received, also an event on the 9th February reference World War 1, and about the Experience Pembrokeshire Festival. Noted.
- f) Glasdon Advertisement received.

5) Planning Matters

- a) Slate Mill – No further information to date.
- b) Presentation – Jane Gibson. Clerk waiting to receive a hard copy of the presentation. Ms. Gibson had responded to offer assistance with regard to the Supplementary Guidance for the Community if required.
- c) National Park Seminar - 16th March 2013. Agreed that the Council is represented. Cllrs Twidale and Burnett to advise if they can attend, with Cllr. Jessop as a reserve. Clerk to suggest the following as topics for discussion – Open market homes versus holiday homes; Supplementary Guidance - Communities, and Marine Conservation Zones.
- d) PCNPA – 01/02/13 – Notification that Consultation on the Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG) for Low Impact Development will run from 06/02/13 to 03/05/13; and the consultation on the Annual Monitoring Report will run from now until the 7th June 2013. Clerk had requested hard copies of the documents which can be accessed on the PCNPA website, and elsewhere, and a CD is also available. Noted.
- e) NP/12/0610 – New Car Park Hut to replace one destroyed by arson – Martins Haven, Marloes. Cllr. Smithies had advised the National Trust Warden about the Council's views on the proposed development. Mr. Cullen drew attention to the size of the building, but it was noted that an error had been made in the documents. Concern was expressed about the expansion of retail provision by the National Trust which could impact on the local Shop/PO. It was noted that no electrical connection to the building had been included in the plans.

6) Financial Matters

- a) Community Recreation Area -£200. The minute of the last meeting (14/01/13 – 6b) refers. The Clerk explained that £100 had been received from Mr G. Hannah, and his late wife Jo Hannah following a survey of footpaths they had undertaken, as this sum had been received from

- National Park. They wished the money to be spent linked to the children of the village. The Council had agreed to match this money with £100, and it had been decided that a bench be purchased in memory of Mrs. Hannah. This proposal had been incorporated in the recent project for the Recreation Area, and a plaque has now been placed on the bench.
- b) Western Power – Noted that the biannual Wayleave payment of £3.48 had been received for the cable that runs under the Village Green.
 - c) Financial Appeal from Cruse Bereavement Care received.
 - d) Kidney Wales Foundation – Noted that the Walk for Life this year will be held on Sunday March 24th.

7) Urgent Matters/Any other Business

- a) Marloes Beach Clean – Further bags of rubbish have been removed.
- b) St. Brides Aid in Sickness Fund – Noted that a contribution from this Fund had been made to the provision of PADS in Marloes & St. Brides. Agreed that the Clerk place details of the charity Fund in Peninsula Papers in the near future. Cllr. Jessop wondered if Community First Aid Training could be financed from this fund.
- c) Cliff Fall – Noted that Cllr. Jessop had reported to National Park that there had been a fall to the left of Mill Bay on Marloes Sands, which had resulted in the cliff path being nearer to the edge. A fall had also occurred at Musselwick Bay. National Park will monitor falls as they are notified.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting. The next meeting of the Council will be held on Monday 11th March 2013, at Marloes Village Hall.