

Minutes of the Meeting of Marloes & St. Brides Community Council held on  
Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2013 at Marloes Village Hall.

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

- Community Resident – R. Titley, Mrs. V. Krelle & Mrs. H. Champley
- Clerk to the Council - Mrs. Y. Evans

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. W. Richards & County Cllr. Owen

- 1) The minutes of the May Business meeting were read, approved, and then signed by the Vice-Chairman, Cllr. Beal, proposed by Cllr. Jessop, seconded by Cllr. Burnett.
- 2) Matters Arising
  - a) Skomer Warden – Wardens will aim to attend a meeting when the “crazy season” has ended. Boats have been very busy recently, with a lot of traffic on the Martins Haven roadway – see item about the vessel Lady Helen below. Comment made to the Clerk about Lockley Lodge offering more refreshments and coffee this year noted.
  - b) National Park Matters – St. Brides telephone box yet to be repaired.
  - c) Police Matters – Clerk advised that Mr. Cullen had reported one vehicle on the Airfield to the police, and a group of vehicles parked at Pickleridge, Dale on Bank Holiday Saturday. The police checked the vehicles concerned, and no problems were identified. Noted that the Lady Helen, owned by Dale Sailing company had ran aground off Skomer on the 25<sup>th</sup> May. Thankfully all passengers were rescued without injury, and the incident was dealt with off shore with the people being landed at Martins Haven. Sgt. Vaughan to be asked how this Council or individual groups can apply to purchase goods confiscated after crimes.
  - d) Recreation Area – No report this month.
  - e) County Council – Highways. No information received from Mr. Codd and/or Cllr. Owen. Noted that action has been taken to repair the road surface in front of Jubilee Villas. It may require enforcement action to be taken on the Marloes Sands roadway to prevent unauthorised parking. Cllr. Burnett will obtain a copy of the notice used near the Cleddau Bridge to discourage vehicles parking in the bus lay-by.  
Hedge Cutting – Further cutting at some junctions has taken place. Clerk to

- contact officer to request cutting along the narrow roads without verges, to improve visibility, and to cater for emergency vehicles.
- f) Clock Tower Footpath – No inspection to date. Mrs. Champley confirmed that the large trees were not on her land. After discussion it was agreed that the Clerk contact Sean Tilling, PCC and request a meeting on site to seek a resolution of problems on this path.
  - g) South Hook -Proposed Combined Heat & Power Plant– Noted that South Hook have now submitted a planning application. Agreed that the prepared statement does not need to be revised. Clerk to circulate to relevant Community Councils, AM, MP, local newspapers, and Council Associations tomorrow.
  - h) Street Lights – Noted that the Tower View lights had been repaired last weekend. Cllr. Smithies advised that there are at least six lights are on after midnight. Clerk to contact PCC to advise on this, also about the light for the PAD at Marloes toilets, and to ask about the lights at St. Brides toilets
  - i) Parking Issues – Letters to be written.
  - j) Website Meeting – Clerk advised that she had recently received an e-mail from One Voice Wales who have negotiated a soft ware package which may assist councils. Agreed that the Clerk forward the e-mail to Cllr. Burnett who will consider this by the next meeting. No information from PCC to date. Concerns raised about ongoing costs of Marloes & St. Brides C. c. having its own website.
  - k) Rubbish, Near Slate Mill – Reported again to St. Ishmaels Clerk, but yet to be collected.
  - l) Local Treatment Works/Water Supply – Clerk circulated a map showing the water supply in the Marloes area. No problems reported.

### 3. Community Issues

- a) Village Action Plan – Review to be undertaken. Noted that the Village Hall committee would welcome letters of support from both organisations and individuals to support their grant applications.
- b) Marine Conservation Zones – Message received from Cllr. McDermott advising that no response has been received from the Minister as yet. Cllr. Smithies confirmed that he will be drafting a letter to go from this Council to the Welsh minister.
- c) Dog Fouling – Clerk to recirculate the draft notice received from Mr. Morbey (PCC) to members. Clerk proposed to put this item in Peninsula Papers for July to follow on from the information in the June newsletter.
- d) Rubbish collection – Noted that more problems have occurred this month, particularly in the Glebe Lane. A grey bag left by the Village Warden at

Marloes Toilets had been ripped open as there were food contents inside. Clerk to speak to Mr. Pomfrey, and ask if he requires a holding bin in Marloes.

#### 4) Correspondence

##### a) E-Mail Letters – Clerk referred to some of the e-mails received.

- 14/05/13 – PCC, Lawrence Harding – Reports to Liaison Meetings
  - 16/05/13 – OVW – Wind Energy seminar, Carno – 20/06/13
  - 17/05/13 – OVW - Commercial Christmas (Retailer) – Llanelli
  - 20/05/13 – Big Lunch Tips – Details passed to Cllr. Twidale
  - 22/05/13 – OVW – Road & Rail Links England/Wales
  - 23/05/13 – OVW – Private water supply pipes – consultation – forward to Cllr. Smithies
  - 24/05/13 – Defra – Details as above.
  - 30/05/13 – OVW – Training Course – noted.
  - 31/05/13 – The Work Programme in Wales – response by 02/06/13.
  - 31/05/13 – Devolution in Wales – Drop in session at the Torch Theatre – 26/06/13 – 10.30 am to 12 noon.
  - 03/05/13 – Welsh Govt. - Draft Guidance L.G. (Wales) Measure 2011
  - 03/06/13 – OVW – as above. Cllr. Burnett will read document and report to the July meeting – response by the 23/08/13.
  - 04/06/13 – Sue Burton – Latest SAC report – forward to Cllr. Smithies.
  - 04/06/13 – PCC, L. Harding - Query reference payment to county councillors – Clerk responded.
  - 06/06/13 – OVW – NRW Funding Fair – 1<sup>st</sup> July, Swansea – Forward to Cllr. Smithies
- RNLI – Invitation to a Garden Party – Monk Haven Manor, St. Ishmaels – Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June – 2.30 -5.00pm. Noted.
- 22/05/13 – One Voice Wales (OVW) – Notice of Conference and AGM on the 5<sup>th</sup> October at Builth Wells.

#### 5) Planning Matters

- a) Slate Mill (Fenced Area) – Clerk to ask National Park if a planning application has been submitted for the fencing above the store.
- b) Local Design Statement – Clerk to contact Ms Gibson. Cllr. Jessop will circulate the link for the example from an English council.
- c) – Philbeach Wind Turbine appeal – Cllr. Smithies advised the Council that the Inspector had been on site today – decision in about 5 weeks.

#### 6) Financial Matters

- a) Clock Tower - Invoice from Smiths of Derby - £248.40p. Firm also

offered a standstill on the cost if an advanced payment was made for a further three years. Members agreed on the proposal of Cllr/ Jessop, seconded by Cllr. Burnett that they pay this years invoice only. Clerk to transfer £250 between accounts to cover payment. Architect to be asked to sign off the work on the Clock Tower, as this had not been received.

b) BDO Audit - Clerk circulated details of Section 2 of the Annual Return so that members could complete the Annual Governance Statement. The Clerk advised that the Internal audit had been completed, and that Mrs. Fussell had no issues to raise. Clerk to send copies of the return to BDO Audit. A letter was received from the auditors dated the 24<sup>th</sup> May 2013 advising the Audit Fees for this year. Noted that this Council should be charged £60.

c) AON Insurance – Members were pleased to note that Cllr. Richards had secured a reduction of £105 on the premium from AON. A payment of £246.09 had been made.

d) Lloyds TSB – Noted that from the 14<sup>th</sup> August, TSB will form a separate bank, but this Council's accounts will remain with Lloyds. Clerk to check changes to account conditions to see if they affect this Council.

#### 7) Urgent Matters/Any other Business

a) PADS – Cllr. Jessop advised that a further three units have been received. It is intended to site one at St. Brides, one at Martins Haven, and a further one may be sited at St. Anne's, Dale.

b) Speeding Problems – Police to be advised that the Skomer traffic speeding through the village was causing great concern. Clerk to ask if the mobile speed control can be used in the short term while a longer term solution is sought for this seasonal problem. Speed humps would not be welcome, but a reduction to 20mph may help provided it was enforced.

c) Bus Services – Mrs Krelle & Champley advised the Council of the problems caused by the service bus waiting for the Puffin bus to make the return journey to Martins Haven. The problem is much worse in the main part of the season when traffic is also returning because the boats are fully booked. Clerk advised that people needed to complain as otherwise the County Council were not aware of the problem. The bus to Milford can be as much as 20 minutes late. This decreases the time available in town, and people can miss train connections. Clerk to contact officer concerned, as this was raised some time ago.

d) Surface Dressing – Clerk advised that the section of road from Herbrandston to Mullock is scheduled for surface dressing shortly. The contractor has already started on the edging work.

There being no other business the Vice-Chairman closed the meeting. The next meeting of the Council will be on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July at Marloes Village Hall.