

Minutes of the Meeting of Marloes & St. Brides Community Council held on
Monday 10th September 2012 at Marloes Village Hall.

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

– Community Residents – Robin Black and Richard Titley

Apologies because of illness were received from the Clerk, Mrs Y. Evans and County Cllr. R. Owens. Cllrs. Richards & Jessop took the notes of the meeting.

- 1) The minutes of the August meeting were read, approved, and then signed by the Chairman, Cllr. Richards, on the proposal of Cllr. S Burnett, seconded by Cllr. Twidale, subject to the word “Hill” being altered to “Mill” at 5a.
- 2) Matters Arising
 - a) Police Matters – No incidents over the Bank Holiday. PCC Licensing had responded suggesting that landowners be alert, and report any suspicious activity. Sergeant Vaughan had been on leave, but had responded to the e-mail on his return. No other matters.
 - b) Recreation Area – Installation of the new play area had commenced. Mark Burton is planning a Grand Opening on the 21st September – invitations will be issued.
 - c) County Council Matters – Drainage work in the Glebe Lane is ongoing, and also on the Clock Tower footpath. Cllr. Owens is not present to update on other matters. Clerk proposes checking on all matters by the October meeting, to see what is outstanding. Cllr. Richards advised that a new spring has opened up 75 yards above the Post Box, and the problem is deteriorating – information to be passed to Cllr. Owens.
 - d) PADS- No response from National Trust Warden. Clerk to write to Mr. Chris Payne, PCC about the need for an emergency telephone at St. Brides. Clerk had had to contact the department to report the Marloes Sands car-park phone out of order, and had checked who should receive the letter.
 - f) Village Warden – Letter has been sent.
 - g) HMPZ Consultation – Noted that Mr. Peter Royle had circulated on-line details from the Marine Conservation Society on this matter. Next round of consultations due in October.
 - h) Wildlife Trust Website – Meeting agreed with suggestion from the Clerk that the Skomer Warden is asked to attend a meeting of the Council to discuss the website, and also the information given out on boat sailings.
 - i) Street Light, West End – Letter dated 30/09/2010 from PCC refers. Clerk had spoken to the PCC officer, Mel Stephens who confirmed that the County Council switch-off programme will recommence shortly. Herbrandston has already been done, and he expected that Marloes could be switched off overnight by Christmas. Mr. D. Galliers to be informed.
 - j) PCNPA – The Grand Puffin Hunt – Continues to the 14th October -details in Peninsula Papers.
 - k) Health Consultation – see correspondence below.
 - l) Dog Fouling – More signage has been requested for the Glebe Lane, and also the North

Lane following a request from Mr. Colin Price.

m) Glebe Lane – Hedges/Bushes – Clerk proposes putting this in Peninsula Papers in October.

n) – Card sent to County Cllr. Peter Morgan.

3) Community Issues

a) Village Action Plan - Noted that the next meeting will be held on Thursday 20th September at Marloes Village Hall. Chairman felt that the Draft Plan had been well received. Noted that Planned are proposing a Forum is set up, and this will be discussed at the meeting. It is hoped that as many Councillors as possible can attend.

4) Correspondence

a) Hywel Dda Health board – Your Health Your Future: Consulting Our Communities – More correspondence has been received. The “SWAT” group have organised a meeting on the 20th September, but this would clash with the Action Plan meeting. The main meeting arranged for Town & Community Councils will be held on the 27th September at Narberth. A consultation questionnaire was enclosed with a hard copy of the main consultation document, and this can be considered at the October meeting. Full details for the process and timetable for consultation responses will be in the October issue of Peninsula Papers.

b) endurancelife – 16/08/2012 – Coastal Trail Series to take place on the 6th October. Noted.

c) RBS – 13/08/2012 – Proposed Heat and Power Plant, South Hook LNG Terminal Site, Herbrandston. After discussion, on the proposal of Cllr. Burnett, seconded by Cllr. Smithies it was agreed that Cllr. Jessop draw up a short response referring to the possibility of “district heating” for Milford Haven. Draft letter to be circulated for comments.

d) One Voice Wales – 17/08/2012 – Motions for Debate at the AGM on the 13th October; two copies of the Summer 2012 edition of “The Voice”; also details of training courses on offer. Noted.

e) Society of Local Council Clerks – 28/08/12 – Membership offer noted.

f) Clerk & Councils Direct – September 2012 – Issue 83 received.

5) Planning Matters

a) Slate Mill – No report received from County Cllr. Owens. Noted that the camp-site is in St. Ishmaels Community area.

b) Philbeach Farm – NP/12/0342 – Wind Turbine. Cllr. Smithies declared an interest in this application and left the room during the discussion. This application will go before the National Park Development Committee on the 26th September. It was agreed that Cllr. Jessop attend, and speak on behalf of the Council. Cllr. Jessop will prepare a draft of his statement, and circulate to members. Noted that no objections have been received, and that the turbine in nearby St. Ishmaels area has not caused any problems. It was felt that National Park needed to show consistency.

- c) Draft SPG Guidance on Accessibility and Recreation. Any response to be made by the 19th October. Members noted that there was a clash with County Council policy who had recently announced curtailments to the bus services. It was also noted that no timetables had been issued this year.
- d) Musselwick Farm – NP/12/0400 – Meeting advised that because the Farmhouse is listed then the whole complex is covered by Listed Building requirements, hence the second application. The Council had responded to NP/12/0399. Noted there is no response to the query on Section 106 as yet.

6) Financial Matters

- a) PCC – 24/08/2012 - Precept of £500 received by BACS transfer. Noted.
- b) Lloyds Bank – Bank Statements received.
- c) Donations/Charities – Noted that the Clerk will present list for payment to the October meeting.

7) Urgent Matters/Any Other Business

- a) Affordable Housing-Exception Site – Clerk had been advised by Matthew Owens, Rural Housing Enabler that he is meeting Nigel Sinnett, Pembrokeshire Housing and Martina Dunne & Sarah Middleton of National Park on the 20th September, and Marloes is included in this discussion. The meeting agreed to accept his offer to attend the meeting on the 8th October.
- b) Bus Service – Agreed that this be put on the agenda under Community Matters at the next meeting, to review the service for 2012, and discuss the proposed cancellation of Sunday services next year.
- d) Action Plan – Resolved that Mobile Phone coverage, Broadband Speeds and Village Hall refurbishment/funding should be considered at the Action Plan meeting. Cllr. Richards to check with Holiday Property Bond what provision they are making at St. Brides Castle, and encourage someone to attend the Action Plan meeting on the September 20th.
- g) Coast Path Issues – Cllr Jessop advised that he had contacted Philip Lees, NP reference the quagmire on the Coastal Path above Musselwick. Noted.
- h) Beach Clearance – Cllr. Jessop had assisted the Village Warden at times. Noted.
- i) Paul Davies, AM – Noted that he is holding a meeting in Dale on the 28th September. Cllr. Jessop had arranged to see him personally, but on behalf of the Community he was going to raise a question about the relaxation of planning requirements. Noted.
- j) Ofgem Consultation - Cllr Jessop advised that with reference to the local electricity grid, OFGEM was holding a consultation about the charges levied by District Network Operators (DNOs) such as Western Power Distribution for improving connections to individual houses or farms when the occupiers want to install renewable electricity generating equipment. Knowing of local cases where WPD had asked for “exorbitant” contributions, did the Community Council wish to respond to this consultation? It was agreed at the Chairman’s suggestion that individuals within the community should respond, citing their own situations.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting. The next meeting of the Council will be held on Monday 8th October 2012 , at Marloes Village Hall. Cllr. Richards gave an apology in advance for that meeting.