

Minutes of the Meeting of Marloes & St. Brides Community Council held on
Monday 8th October 2012 at Marloes Village Hall.

Present :- Cllr L Beal(Acting Chairman), together with Cllrs. C. Jessop, and S. Twidale

- Community Residents – Richard Titley, and Bill & Heather Morse
- County Cllr. R. Owens

Apologies were received from Cllrs W. Richards, P. Smithies and S. Burnett

- 1) The minutes of the September meeting were read, approved, and then signed by the Acting Chairman, Cllr. Beal, on the proposal of Cllr. C. Jessop, seconded by Cllr. S. Twidale. The Clerk read out the minute 7j as this had been added to the draft by Cllr. Jessop. Noted
- 2) Matters Arising

a) Police Matters – Noted that the police had covered this area recently looking for a individual missing from the Little Haven area – visiting businesses and farms, also used tracker dogs, and the police helicopter. No local problems.

b) Recreation Area – The Grand Opening organised by Mark Burton and others had taken place on the 21st September. There had been a good attendance by community residents and others, and Mr. Ron Keeble had performed the opening ceremony. Everyone had enjoyed a bring and share tea. Photographs and a report were on the web-site, and Mr. Burton will provided the Clerk with a hard copy for their records. A work party is planned for the 3/4th November.

c) County Council Matters – The Clerk updated members on the drainage work undertaken to date. She will check whether the magic eye had been used in the vicinity of the Play Area. No information as yet on the traffic order for the Marloes Sands roadway – noted that some vehicles had been booked for parking within the single yellow line. Clerk advised that the Council is waiting for further information on some issues. Cllr. Owens had provided copies of the notice used by the Access Group to place on vehicles parking indiscriminately. Members agreed that this would need to be adapted and Cllr. Jessop agreed to prepare a draft for consideration by members, which would then need to be approved by the County Council and Police prior to being prepared for issue, and a Welsh translation would also be required. It was noted that at times vehicles were obstructing the entrance to the Disabled toilets. After discussion, Cllr. Owens suggested that he visit the area with the County Council Access Officer – Alan Hunter and consider what action was required. Noted that work was required in Frankie' s Lane, as well as an upgrade to the Clock Tower footpath.

Dog Fouling – Cllr. Owen was advised where recent problems had been highlighted. He had circulated a letter from County Council staff on this matter, and the Clerk will confirm details to Cllr. Owen.

Director of Education – Cllr. Owen updated members on the recent resignation by Mr. Graham Longster, and the steps taken to cover the post. Noted.

d) PADS- Mr. Payne, PCC Leisure Services Manager had responded to the letter asking if this matter was urgent. Cllr. Jessop advised that the Group now had the necessary funding, and would like to get on with the installation at St. Brides. Clerk to respond to Mr. Payne.

e) Wildlife Trust Website – Clerk to contact Warden

- f) Street Light, West End – Information in Peninsula Papers.
- g) Health Consultation – No one had been able to attend meetings. Full details for responses was in the October Peninsula Papers. Clerk will complete questionnaire on behalf on the Community Council.
- h) Glebe Lane – Recent report of fly-tipping of grass cuttings. Agreed that the Clerk put a general reminder that anyone caught fly-tipping will be subject to action by the County Council.
- i) endurancelife – No problems experienced with this event. Noted that during the recent Half Marathon event the runners had not been provided with bins for empty drinking bottles.
- j) South Hook Heat/Power Plant – Council's comments had been acknowledged. Two public meetings had been held in Dale and St. Ishmaels. Correspondence received from South Hook dated the 14th September, and all households had received a flyer. Noted that there had been a meeting with Community Councils recently if complaints had been received from that area. This Council had not received an invitation.
- k) Paul Davies AM – Cllr. Jessop had raised planning issues with the AM. Noted.

3) Community Issues

- a) Village Action Plan - There had been a reasonable attendance at the meeting on the 20th September. Another meeting is planned for Wednesday 7th November to discuss setting up an Action Plan Group. Posters will be provided for the Clerk to put up in the Community.
- b) Puffin Buses/Local Service – No comments had been received. Members asked Cllr. Owens to record and pass on their concerns about the proposal to cancel all services on Sunday – there had been no consultation on this.
- c) Affordable Housing/Exception Site – Mr. Matthew Owen, the Rural Housing Enabler had attended at the start of the meeting to update the Council on how this scheme was proceeding. He brought members up to date on the ongoing discussions between National Park officers and Pembrokeshire Housing. The development has been set in the top corner of the field across the road from the Church, with the access slightly higher than previously suggested. There were no abnormal development issues, but developments in rural areas are more expensive, and National Park design features do have cost implications. NP had asked that the development is surrounded by a Pembrokeshire hedge to minimise the impact on the area. Two single person dwellings were also proposed, which was not usual in this area. Mr. Owen acknowledged that there was unlikely to be any similar developments in this community, nor in neighbouring communities. He explained how any lettings would be considered, with a criteria to be agreed, and it was usual that an Open day was held locally to explain the local lettings procedure. The local landowner had been advised by Mr. Owen and by the Clerk of the discussion this evening, and he had been given an indication of the possible value of this exception site. The scheme had to be financially viable, and it was Pembrokeshire Housing who would decide whether this was possible in very challenging financial times – less grant money was now available. Mr. Owen responded to questions from members and the public present. He agreed to take away comments on the following matters:-
 - ⤴ Poor visibility on the corner of the Glebe Lane on the left hand side opposite the Church.
 - ⤴ Old well in the hedge between the same corner and the proposed site entrance.
 - ⤴ Possibility of local stone being available from local farms for a new hedge.

- ▲ Possibility of a lower specification for windows and roof coverings to reduce design costs – also be more sustainable.
- ▲ Need for local people to be housed in the community is still there.

Mr. Owen was thanked for his attendance and information. He commented that he hoped to have more positive news in the not too distant future. He then withdrew.

4) Correspondence

- a) Dale C. C. - 05/10/12- Connecting Communities, PCC Scheme to increase broadband speeds to rural areas. Clerk advised that Dale CC had been addressed by two County Council officers on this matter, but it was likely that the community would not qualify because the signal quality was mixed. Cllr. Owen advised what was happening in Herbrandston Community area as part of this scheme. England Communications had the contract, but it was taking some time to proceed. It is possible that South Hook LNG would bounce the signal across to the village. After discussion it was agreed to discuss this further when Cllr. Richards was present, as the St. Brides area had the most problems on this issue.
- b) PCC e-mail – 20/09/12- Recycling Facilities. This referred specifically to the car-parking areas for Marloes Sands, Martins Haven and at St. Brides, and would be primarily for visitors. After discussion it was agreed that the Clerk ask for a picture of the bins and sizes. It would be the land owner/tenant who would have the responsibility for location of the units.
- c) Pembrokeshire Joint Community Consultative Meeting – 26/09/12 – Meeting at Pembrokeshire College on the 10th October. Cllr. Jessop hoped he will be able to attend. Clerk to complete the Police Authority Questionnaire on behalf of the community.
- d) One Voice Wales – 18/09/12 – Area Committee. Noted that this had been held on the 26th September – no one had attended. Clerk advised that the next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 22nd January 2013. Noted.
- e) PCC – 13/09/12 – Town & Community Council Planning Consultation Notifications. Noted that this proposal does not cover those Councils who are entirely in the NP.
- f) PCC – 02/10/12 – Police & Crime Commissioner Elections. Clerk advised that posters had been displayed recently for this election on the 15th November.
- g) Advert – Glasdon Street Furniture received.

5) Planning Matters

- a) Slate Mill – Cllr. Owen was advised where this property was located.
- b) Philbeach Farm – NP/12/0342 – Wind Turbine. Cllr C. Jessop had attended the meeting and spoken in the debate. Cllr. Beal had also attended. Clerk advised that the Refusal of Planning Permission had been received dated the 26/09/12. Noted that it will be for the applicant to decided on any future action.
- c) Draft SPG Guidance on Accessibility and Recreation. Noted that the Accessibility SPG was linked to new developments, and it was agreed that no comments are made. Cllr. Jessop to review the Recreation SPG and advise Clerk if any response was required by the 19th October.
- d) NP/12/0418 - East Hook Barn – Change of use of land, and provision of 5 Bay Timber Stable block & attached hay store. Members reviewed all the details received with the application. After discussion it was agreed that the Clerk write noting that the proposed development is for private use, that there is only one near

neighbour, so should have limited impact in the immediate vicinity. The ridge height was not obvious, but the proposed building was of a single storey construction. Members considered that the green sheets should be of similar colour to those used on other farm buildings, and perhaps National Trust green would be suitable. Clerk to ask the nominated planning officer whether the proposal would constitute an over-development of the site.

6) Financial Matters

- a) BDO – 21/09/12 – Audit 2011/12. The Clerk advised that because of the £5000 received from Dark Mirror Films the Council had been charged a higher amount for the Audit. She has written asking for extenuating circumstances to be taken into account for this year, and a response was awaited. After discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Twidale, seconded by Cllr. Jessop that a payment up to £120 plus Vat be paid depending on the response. It was further agreed that the enclosed Annual Return is approved and accepted by the Council, who were pleased to record that no matters had been identified which required the issuing of a separate report. Clerk to display final notice as required.
- b) Lloyds Bank – Bank Statements received.
- c) Local Donations/Charities – It was agreed that these are held over to the next meeting when more members will be present. Clerk advised that additionally this year they will need to pay the Recreation Area Committee for the bench purchased in memory of Mrs. J. Hannah. In addition a letter had been received from the local Youth Club suggesting a donation of £40 towards the insurance costs, in respect of children from this community who attend the Club. No allowance has been made for this payment, and the Clerk will review the Bank Accounts to enable members to plan payments at the next meeting.
- d) Swalec – 03/10/12 – Estimated Statement. Noted that the Council is estimated to be in credit of £83.70, and that over the winter months this amount will be reduced. No action as yet on changing to LED bulbs. Cllrs Jessop & Smithies cannot take this matter further until the Clock has been signed off by the Architect (still pending).
- e) Bobath Children’s Therapy Centre, Wales. Financial appeal noted.

7) Urgent Matters/Any Other Business – none raised.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting. The next meeting of the Council will be held on Monday 12th November 2012 , at Marloes Village Hall, with the next Action Plan meeting on the 7th November.