

Minutes of the Meeting of Marloes & St. Brides Community Council held on
Monday 9th December 2013 at Marloes Village Hall.

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

- Mrs. Y. C. Evans - Clerk to the Council
- Community Residents – Mrs. H. Champley, Mr. R. Titley

An apology for absence was accepted from County Cllr. R. Owens.

- 1) The minutes of the November Business meeting were read, approved, and then signed by the Chairman, Cllr. Richards, proposed by Cllr. Jessop, seconded by Cllr. Beal.
- 2) Matters Arising
 - a) St. Brides/Marloes -National Park Matters – Clerk was advised that the telephone box had not been repaired as yet, and is at present out of public use because the door is tied shut. Clerk will contact BT.
 - b) Police Matters – PCSO Paul Mayhew had advised the Clerk about a recent theft of a postbox in the County, also the theft of heating oil from the church in Rosemarket. He had left warning leaflets about oil security, and a copy of Pembrokeshire Voice, Issue 25, also details of the Rural Policing Summit at Carmarthen on the 10th December. No member, or the Clerk had been able to attend, so an apology had been sent, and a plea that the joint procedure in respect of raves should continue. PCSO Mayhew had been advised during the month about interference to the PAD at the Marloes Toilets, and also the telephone box. Extra patrols had been undertaken. Cllr. Beal advised that she had been told that youths had been seen tampering with the PAD again recently. Clerk emphasised that 101 should be used to report problems as incidents occur.
 - c) County Council – Highways. Cllr. Owens had forwarded an e-mail which advised that the drain at Winterton junction had been inspected. Glenville Codd had been asked to clear a partial blockage. Another officer will be asked to check if the present capacity is enough at that location. Clerk to advise Highways that the Community Council already knows that the culvert as built has insufficient capacity, and the Councillors agreed to provide photographic evidence as proof. Clerk to bring other outstanding matters to the attention of Mr. Codd and the County Councillor.
 - d) Recreation Area/Clock Tower Footpath – It was noted that Hayley Barrett, NP Ranger, with volunteers and local assistance had laid hedges in the area of the Clock Tower and Recreation Area. Clerk to send a letter acknowledging the

work undertaken. Noted that overhanging branches had been cleared from the footpath, but no improvement to the path surface as yet. Tree directly obstructing the path is an outstanding item.

- e) Village Warden – Noted that Mr. Pomfrey is cleaning St. Brides Beach area although he does not get paid for this. Contact details for the new Cage Wagon rubbish collectors to be obtained for the Warden.
- f) South Hook -Proposed Combined Heat & Power Plant– Noted that Cllr. Jessop had attended a NP meeting where they advised that they did not consider they could include the Council's proposal as a Section 106 condition. However the South Hook officer present had suggested after the meeting that this Council write directly to them on this matter. Meeting agreed that Cllr. Jessop circulate a draft letter to all members for consideration. Support from other town and community councils may be needed in due course – perhaps One Voice Wales could help with this. Noted that Dale C. C. has also written reference the visual intrusion and possible noise nuisance.
- g) Website Meeting – Cllr. Burnett and the Clerk reported on the Forum meeting, and outlined the details of the website scheme to be provided. After discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Jessop, seconded by Cllr. Twidale that the Council accept the scheme on offer. Training will be offered in the New Year. A link to the existing Community website can be provided, and no extra cost to this Council is expected – an agreement will be sent out for official approval.
- h) Standing Orders – Revised guidelines have been issued – to consider at the January meeting. Noted.
- i) Dog Signs – Signs still to be requested.
- j) Cyclists – Clerk still to check what guidance National Park may provide.

3.Community Issues

- a) Recreation Area – See item above. Clerk had forwarded to Mr. Burton an e-mail from RoSPA in respect of Safety Inspections.
- b) Car Parks/National Trust Matters – Jonathan Hughes had e-mailed the clerk advising that he can now consider a proposal from the Council, and would expect to visit the Council again to consider the matter. Members considered the draft letter circulated by the Clerk, and agreed that at this stage the letter should propose a payment of a £1.
- c) Village Action Plan – Cllr. Twidale advised that she is due to undertake an assessment of the application for the Village Hall tomorrow, via the telephone with an official of the Big Lottery.
- d) Rubbish Collection – No problems identified this month. The dates provided in Peninsula Papers are useful. The Clerk advised that over Christmas there are

changes to the days of collection – posters will be displayed. Christmas week is not a black bag collection, and this may be a problem for holiday homes. Agreed that members aim to contact relevant houses to remind house owners/visitors of the need to make alternative arrangements. Ideally this should be a trade waste collection.

4) Correspondence

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

- 13/11/13 – Police & Crime Commissioner – October newsletter received.
- 14/11/13 – OVW – Wales against Illegal Money lending. Noted.
- 19/11/13 – PCC(Bob smith) – Consultation re Aggregates – Noted.
- 21/11/13 – Cllr. CJ – Notice of Planning conference in Cardiff on 29/01/14.
- 29/11/13 – OVW – War Memorials – Clerk to speak to Mr. Anthony Williams as the British Legion are interested in this project.
- 02/12/13 – Skomer Marine Reserve – NRW Corporate Plan
- 04/12/13 – Local Govt. C... - Section 137 letter received – amount set per elector at £7.20 for expenditure outside statutory functions.
- 05/12/13 – Wales & Marine Fisheries – Strategy Action Plan. To refer to Cllr. P Smithies. Also NRW Management Bulletin – Issue 6.
- 06/12/13 – OVW – Funding Update – NRW – to circulate to all members.

One Voice Wales – Letter dated 19th November received reference Training Modules for 2014. Members indicated their preferences for clerk to advise Mr. Morgan.

5) Planning Matters

- a) NP/13/0271 – Slate Mill, St. Brides – Clerk had been advised via e-mail by Liam Jones that the applicant had been told that the present parapet fencing was not acceptable. It was understood that a reapplication along the lines of the proposal from the Community Council was likely to be submitted. Mr. Jones advised that he was keeping a close eye on this matter.
- b) NP/05/062 – Land by Anchor Cottage – outstanding planning condition for passing bays. The Clerk had followed this up recently, and had received an apology from Vicki Hirst that the matter had been overlooked again. A telephone message from Ms Karen Boulden of the NP had advised that the file was with her, and action was still possible as the consent was less than ten years ago. Action noted.
- c) NP/13/0329 – Form D consent received in respect of this application,

and planning conditions noted.

d) NP/13/0552 – Agricultural Building – Winterton Farm, Marloes. This application had had to be dealt with by the 8th December to meet the legal time-scale. Comments had been received from some members, and a response made following consultation with the Chairman, Cllr. Richards. The letter was read out to members who approved the action. The Clerk explained the in-between meeting procedure to the new members, and circulated the form used, which is then kept on file.

e) NP/13/0570 – School House, Marloes – Shed to house pumping & filtering system for borehole situated on land adjacent to host dwelling. Cllr. Jessop declared an interest in this application, and did not take part in the discussion and decision.

Members compared this application with NP/13/0338. It was noted that the applicant had changed the structure to make it more in keeping with an agricultural building, and that the building is now mainly a pumping shed. It was also noted that the applicant will be donating seeds to the Bumblebee Society. Evidence had been provided to explain why the building cannot be erected in the main garden area. The Council recommended support for this application.

6) Financial Matter

a) PCC – 06/01/14 – Council Tax Base 2014/15 – Noted that at the next meeting the Council will have to set the precept for 2014/15 to advise the County Council by no later than the 17th January. The Clerk was asked to provide budget details in advance for consideration at that meeting.

b) Lloyds Bank - monthly statement received.

c) Urdd Gobaith Cymru – Financial appeal for the 2014 Eisteddfod received.

7) Urgent Matters/Any other Business

a) Marloes Beacon – Cllr. Jessop to ask NP when the new Beacon Sign will be erected.

b) Milford Road – Councillors and members of the public expressed concern about the amount of mud on the road caused by the traffic from Capeston Farm to the turkey sheds. Agreed that the Clerk contact County Cllr. Owens to ask for urgent action on this matter.

- c) Gibby's Cottage – Noted that the builders had left rubble/sand outside the dwelling on the highway. Agreed that personal contact is made with the new owners over the holiday period to ask if this can be removed.
- d) Clock Tower lights – Mrs Champley complimented the Council on the Christmas lights.
- e) Carol Singing – Various members agreed to assist with this annual event – date and time to be agreed.
- f) Beach Clean – Noted that this will be held in the morning of the 31st December to suit the tides.
- g) Church Services – Mrs Evans (also Church Warden) confirmed that the Vicar will be absent over the Christmas period because of sickness, but all planned services will be covered by retired clergy and/or lay readers. Cllr. Smithies commended church members for their recent fund raising event in aid of churchyard maintenance which had raised nearly £800.
- h) Fund-raising – Philippines Disaster Fund – Cllr. Jessop reminded those present that a combined Youth club/ Dads social evening is being held on Friday in aid of this appeal.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting wishing everyone the compliments of the Season and a Happy New Year for 2014. The next meeting of the Council will be held on Monday 13th 2014 at Marloes Village Hall.