

Minutes of the Meeting of Marloes & St. Brides Community Council held on  
Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2016 at Marloes Village Hall

Present:- Cllr. S. Burnett, together with Cllrs. C. Jessop, L. Beal, & S. Twidale.

- Mrs. Y. C. Evans - Clerk to the Council
- Cllr. R. Owens
- R. Titley, J. Titley, and R. Black (Community Residents)

Apologies were received from Cllrs. W. Richards & P. Smithies

- 1) Minutes - The minutes of the November meeting having been circulated to members, were approved, on the proposal of Cllr. Jessop, seconded by Cllr. Twidale.
- 2) Matters Arising
  - a) Police Matters – Clerk has asked Police to advise about the December surgery.
  - b) County Council – Highways.

Cllr. Owens has contacted the various officers about the following:-  
Bulford Cottage – Dropped drain; Glebe Lane Road Surface; Mullock Bridge junction flooding and also the stream undercutting the road further up the road towards the Winterton junction; also the request for a 20mph within the 30mph. Members also reported that the St. Brides sign at the Mullock Junction has to be replaced after being torn off in recent strong winds. Cllr. Owens was also asked to consider a request from some residents of Gay Lane for improved parking facilities.
  - c) Clock Tower/St Brides Castle – Mr. Burgess telephoned the Clerk when he was in Pembrokeshire on holiday. He had advised that his company is run for the benefit of bond holders and financial regulations prevent them from donating funds to external bodies. They are pleased to allow use of their premises and grounds for fund-raising. The Clerk had explained that they are seeking funding to paint the louvres on the Clock Tower which has a direct link with St. Brides Castle. He agreed to explore the option of an article in the Bond Holder newsletter.
  - d) Phone/Broadband Issues. No further information at present.
  - e) Marloes Leaflet – An exhibition will be held in Marloes Hall on the 21<sup>st</sup> /22<sup>nd</sup> of January, and the Leaflet will be launched on Monday evening, 23<sup>rd</sup> January.
  - f) Summer Play provision – Clerk has spoken to the Play Sufficiency Officer of the Pembs. Play Partnership (Damien Golden), and he has provided contact details for Purple Routes. He has also advised that training will be on offer next year for anyone wishing to undertake play sessions in their local area.

- g) Drones – Clerk has spoken to Laura Ridgeway, PCNPA and she has confirmed that there will be a general article in the 2017 Coast to Coast about responsible behaviour in the Park area, and this will include the use of drones.
- h) IRPW Consultation – Clerk yet to check what action by the Council may be required, if any.
- i) Town Meadow – Clerk had circulated a reply from PCNPA (Sarah Middleton) about the definition of an Exception Site housing scheme. Clerk to forward to Elin Brock, Pembrokeshire Housing.
- j) St. Brides Phone Box is yet to be checked to see if it is now working, and the Defibrillator Box is on order.
- k) Scallop Dredging – Letter to Paul Davies AM to be sent.

### 3. Community Issues

- a) Burial Ground – Article in Peninsula Papers has resulted in some comments. The issue will be discussed at the January Church Meeting. Cllr. Owens is asking a question in committee about the possibility of the County Council assisting communities to acquire ground for burials
- b) Play Area – Mark Burton has advised the Chairman that the Play Area may require additional funding in 2017/18. Advised by the Clerk to submit details for the January meeting, so that the Council can consider his request alongside the budget discussions to determine the precept for next year.

### 4) Correspondence

- a) E-Mail Letters– See list below.

21/11/16 – West Wales Trust of S. & W. Wales – advance notice that they will be submitting an application to build a tractor shed on Skomer. Noted.

22/11/16 – OPCC – Police Precept Consultation until 04/12/16.

15/11/16 – NRW – “Report It” number for Flooding etc. - 03000 65 3000.

15/11/16 – WG - LDBCW Review – Policy & Practice (Local Democracy & Boundary Commission for Wales).

17/11/16 – Planed – Wales Remembers 1914 – 18.

23/11/16 – PCC – Future plans Workshops – County Hall 6th & 7<sup>th</sup> /11/16, also on 01/12 – Questionnaire. No meeting in Milford this time.

24/11/16 – OVW – Welcome to OVW – Information Bulletin – to circulate.

24/11/16 – OVW – The draft Account & Audit (Wales) (Amendment) Regs. 2016 – Consult until 06/02/17 – to circulate.

25/11/16 – PCC – Standards Committee – Applications for Dispensation amongst items being considered.

28/11/16 – OVW – Pensions Seminar 16/01/17 – Carmarthen.

29/11/16 – OVW – Stronger Together – Healthy Homes for All.  
29/11/16 – OVW – Landfill Disposals Tax (Wales) bill – to be enacted in 2018.  
02/12/16 – OVW – Opportunities for the Future Generations Commissioner.  
05/12/16 – Mid & West Wales Fire & Rescue Service – Plan 2017 – 22.

### Other Correspondence

PCC – 18/11/16 – Christmas Refuse Collection - Second set of posters received. Noted there are no changes to this area, and residents are unlikely to visit Winsle Recycling Facility on the main holiday breaks. Cllr. Owens advised that he is submitting a Notice of Motion with regard to the possible changes to rubbish collection schedules.

### 5) Planning Matters

- a) NP/16/0633/FUL – Refurbishment of existing cattle barn to form garden room, study and WC (Retrospective) – NP/12/0179 was the original application. Members considered in detail the information on the original application and compared this to the retrospective application. Members noted that in 2012 they had had concerns about the possible ridge height. Near neighbours expressed their concerns about the building that has now been built, and considered that the scale of the building was far in excess of what had been granted consent. It was noted that the building had been delivered to site in pre-fabricated sections. It was agreed that Cllr Burnett will draft a letter drawing attention to the details offered in the Design and Access Statements, and that the building in-situ contradicts what was claimed would be built. Cllr. Jessop will analyse the dimensions from the two planning applications, and summarise the figures to be included in the Council's reply. It was agreed that the Council object to the granting of consent for this application. Members and residents were very concerned that if consent was granted then a precedent would be set for other applicants seeking planning permission to build structures larger than those approved; knowing all they would have to do is seek retrospective planning after a structure has been built.
- b) NP/15/0649/CLE – Cllr. Jessop and the Clerk reported verbally on the hearing against the Appeal by the Agent/applicant – both were present at the hearing with the Inspector. The main questioning concerned the use of the field as opposed to the area behind the farmhouse. Photographic evidence was submitted by PCNPA which charted the use of the field from 2003 onwards. The Inspector visited the site after lunch, but the Community Council representatives did not attend this part of the hearing. The outcome of the hearing is likely to be in the New Year 2017.
- c) NP/16/0517/TPO – Notice of approval received dated 31/10/16. Noted.
- d) Former Youth Hostel Buildings – Cllr. Owens has arranged a Site Meeting to

look at disability access with the PCC Access officer - Cllr. Jessop to attend.

## 6) Financial Matters

- a) Clock Tower – Painting of the Louvres – Cllr. Smithies to see Mr. Howells on his return from holiday. Noted that Smiths of Derby will be undertaking the annual maintenance of the Clock Mechanism on the 6<sup>th</sup> December. Mr. David Howells will meet him on site.
- b) Lloyds Bank – Bank Statements received.
- c) Audit 2015/16 – No response as yet from the auditor.
- d) Financial Review/Donations - Cllr. Twidale advised that the payment made by the Hall Treasurer this year had been £546.72p. The Clerk had checked the January 2016 minutes when the budget for the year was reviewed, and it was anticipated then that the insurance payment would be circa £570. The Council had agreed to raise the amount paid to the Hall Committee by £130 – a total of £570. After discussion, on the proposal of Cllr. Burnett, seconded by Cllr. Beal it was agreed to pay £570 as agreed at budget. The Clerk advised that she had paid £20 herself to the Royal British Legion to meet their deadline for payments. It was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Jessop, seconded by Cllr. Beal that Mrs. Evans be repaid the £20. Clerk to clarify with PCC (Claire Jones) whether the Council's representative on the Hall Committee is required to seek a dispensation in order for her to vote on donations to the Hall. Cllr. Richards as a Hall Trustee does declare an interest if present when the annual donation is considered.

## 7) Urgent Matters, if any –

No matters declared.

There being no other business, the Chairman closed the meeting, wishing everyone the compliments of the Season. The next meeting is scheduled to be held on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2017