

Minutes of the Meeting of Marloes & St. Brides Community Council held on  
Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2012 at Marloes Village Hall.

Present :- Cllr. C. Jessop, (Chairman), together with Cllrs. P. Smithies, K. Krelle, W. Richards and L. Beal

- Mrs. Y. Evans, Clerk to the Council
- County Cllr. Peter Morgan (The Havens)
- Community Residents – Mrs Sue Twidale, Mr. John Walmsley & Mrs. Caroline Walmsley
- Apologies received from Cllr H. Griffin and recorded for County Cllr. Davies.

1) The minutes of the March meeting were read, approved, subject to the addition of wording at 7g to cover the point raised by Cllr. Beal with regard to Brown Signs at the Church Junction, and then signed by the Chairman, Cllr. Jessop, on the proposal of Cllr. Smithies, seconded by Cllr. Jessop.

2) Matters Arising

a) Police Matters – Sgt. Vaughan had advised that a run of four street lights are required to provide sufficient light for a CCTV camera. This would mean bringing the camera into the village. Agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Smithies, seconded by Cllr. Beal that no further action is taken at present.

b) Recreation Area – Cllr. Jessop had spoken to Mark Burton who had advised that he should hear shortly if the County Council will support the play area financially. Mark Burton will construct the goal posts himself. See under Jubilee Celebrations the insurance details.

c) County Council Matters – Cllr. Morgan circulated a report he had received from Darren Thomas ( Head of Highways & Construction, PCC) on outstanding matters. Members were very disappointed to read that the passing bay in the Glebe Lane will not proceed because no action had been taken on the outstanding planning condition by National Park. A passing place near Winterton Junction was on the Priority List. Members felt that parking in the bay near Mullock Bridge Farmhouse would be best resolved by talking to the nearby householder. Cllr. Smithies raised parking issues in Castle Rag and along the Marloes Sands road. Cllr. Jessop had covered double yellow lining along both these routes during his meeting with Ben Blake, but he warned that there was still doubt over whether Martin Davies had signed the relevant approval paperwork. Mr. Blake had advised Cllr. Jessop that a warning notice can be provided to deter parking outside the car park. Surface water problems on Gay Lane hill and the Clock Tower footpath issues have been passed to the Maintenance Team. Road safety issues at Mullock Bridge will be considered for assessment against other schemes to go on the Forward Programme Pool. PCNPA met with Rob Evans (PCC) on the 17<sup>th</sup> April to look at the Mabas Gate junction safety issues – responding to complaints from an adjoining landowner. Cllr. Morgan was thanked for his efforts on behalf of this community over the last three to four months. He then withdrew from the meeting, and promised to support the new County Councillor in this area after the election. He was

- congratulated on being re-elected unopposed. (Left the meeting at 8 pm)
- ♣ Gaylane Terrace pavement repair – Work completed, but only sections of the pavement have been relaid. One new set of steps provided, and repairs done on others.
  - ♣ Seasonal restrictions Marloes Sands Road (conversion to all year restriction). – Yellow lines work will have to link with the surface dressing – see below.
  - ♣ Winterton Junction (culvert under road) – work yet to start.
  - ♣ Surface Dressing – The Chairman had met Gareth Isaacs (PCC) last Tuesday as he wished to discuss bringing this work forward. Work will now start at Martins Haven on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30 am, and work back to the village, and then on to Mullock Bridge Junction. They will also do the Marloes Sands roadway, and along the Philbeach road, and may complete the circle back to Mullock Bridge. Lawrence Landfill are storing the material at Dale Airfield. Mr. Isaacs had been asked to brief Dale Sailing on this matter, and advise adjoining landowners to enable necessary movement of vehicles. Work will take approximately a week.
  - ♣ St. Brides Car Park – Cllr. Richards advised that several vehicles stayed overnight contrary to the notice, and one vehicle was there for 10 nights. The Park Warden had tried to move them on, but had to follow a certain procedure which meant the time lag was taken advantage of by the visitors. The Police had also not taken any action, as they were on private land. Members were very concerned about the implications for this area, and agreed that it would need to be taken up with National Park rather than the County Council as the landowners.
  - ♣ Blocked Drain between Pearson Crossroads and Lower Hoaten – This should be referred to Mr. Darren Thomas (PCC).
  - ♣ Brown Sign(s) – This issue was raised with Mr. Blake, and he agreed to review the information on the signs at the Church Junction to see what improvements could be made, in the light of the Martin's Haven boat traffic problems already notified to his department.
- d) Marine Conservation Zones – Announcement made at noon today. Cllr. Smithies will forward link to Welsh Government Web-site for the benefit of all members. This will be discussed at the Advisory meeting on the 10<sup>th</sup> May. He will be attending if re-elected. Noted that the Dale/Gann area which is already an SSSI had also been nominated for enhanced status alongside Skomer and an area near Strumble Head in Pembrokeshire. This matter could be put in the proposed Action Plan as it would impact on the community.
- h) Clock Tower matters – Clerk yet to ask David Howells, and speak to The Princes Trust.
- i) Elections 2012 – Letter dated 5<sup>th</sup> April had confirmed that there are 7 candidates for 6 places on the Community Council, with the election on the 3<sup>rd</sup> May. There will also be an election for the County Council in this area.
- j) South Hook LNG – Letter dated the 14<sup>th</sup> March received from the County Council reference the noise problems from vessels visiting their jetty. Noted.

### 3) Community Issues

- a) Village Website – Now fully operational. Invoice will be submitted to the Council in due course.
- b) Jubilee Celebrations – The Jubilee Committee is planning to register the Beacon as part of the Jubilee Celebrations. The Clerk read out the letter received from the Council insurers – AON Ltd, and passed copies of the correspondence to the Chairman. Mr. Walmsley will discuss all issues with the landowner. Mugs will be bought at a cost of £3.84 each for local children, and any surplus sold. The Committee was fund-raising, but asked what

contribution could be expected from the Community Council. The Council were advised by the Clerk that they had set aside £100 for expenses for Jubilee celebrations. It was agreed that this could be discussed at the next Council meeting when there would be a clearer idea of overall expenses. The Committee also proposed to plant a tree for the Jubilee. A discussion followed on type of tree, and location for the planting which could be the Village Green or the Recreation Area. The details will be discussed further by the Committee.

c) Village Action Plan – Meeting dates had been booked for Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> April, and Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> May. Dale WI will undertake the catering. Mr. Cullen had delivered the invitations and questionnaires to households in Marloes & St. Brides, and posters had also been displayed. Planned officers had visited the village today, and talked to local businesses, and other individuals. There had been very few responses to date to attend the first meeting. The Clerk asked Council members to encourage attendance, as the Action Plan will provide a focus for the new Council to follow.

#### 4) Correspondence

- a) Boundary Commission for Wales – Newsletter- Issued 19/03/12 Contributions on the revised Parliamentary Constituency Map for Wales are welcomed up to the 4<sup>th</sup> April. Noted.
- b) PCC – 13/04/12 – Community Council representation on the Standards Committee of the County Council. Members were agreed that the new representative should be selected from a candidate nominated by either of the two local Associations - PALC or One Voice Wales.
- c) Ironman Wales 2012 – Noted. This event is held in the South of Pembrokeshire, and therefore not directly relevant to this area.
- d) One Voice Wales – Spring Edition of “The Voice” received, and notification of the Area Committee Meeting held on the 21<sup>st</sup> March.
- e) Urdd Gobaith Cymru - Invitation to attend the Pembrokeshire 2013 Urdd Eisteddfod Proclamation Ceremony and Procession in Haverfordwest on the 28<sup>th</sup> April. Noted.

#### 5) Planning Matters

- a) Annual Monitoring Report – Consultation period ends on the 1<sup>st</sup> June. Any response will need to be considered at the May meeting at the latest. Chairman to circulate the hard copy, also available on the PCNPA website.
- b) NP/11/527 – 15Kw Wind Turbine, Pad & Cable – Philbeach Farm. Cllr. Smithies had declared an interest in this application at the last meeting. Cllr. Jessop reported on the site meeting held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> April at Philbeach Farm, and the subsequent tour around the extended area to assess the visual impact of the proposed turbine. He commented that the large hanger on the Old Airfield is the most prominent feature on the landscape locally. The application will now be discussed by the Development Committee on the 16<sup>th</sup> May. The Clerk to ask National Park whether this Council is able to speak at that meeting, and then discuss with Cllr. Jessop who may attend if required after the election outcome is known.
- c) Form D consents have been received in respect of NP/11/466 – Musselwick Farm, and for NP/11/518 – St. Brides Castle (Listed Building). Noted.
- d) NP/12/0154 – 15Kw Wind Turbine – Pearson Farm, St. Brides. Cllr. Smithies declared an interest in this application. After considering the application members were agreed that there should be little impact on neighbours. The proposed turbine

will be set against the backdrop of the main farm complex which includes a silo and a police Tetra Mast, and should not be adversely perceptible from any viewpoints. It was noted that businesses, including farms have been encouraged by the Welsh Government to reduce their carbon emissions.

- e) NP/12/0179 – Refurbishment of Existing Cattle Barn to form a Garden Room, Study and WC – 1, Square Farm, Marloes. After considering the application papers members were agreed that the proposed ridge height which is an increase of more than 25% than the existing height should be reduced to avoid impacting on near neighbours. They also considered that the use of this building should be ancillary to the main dwelling, as a condition of consent.
- f) Welsh Government – Delivery of Planning Services in Statutory Designated Landscapes. Members reviewed the questions and suggested responses which the Clerk and Chairman could make to this document.

#### 6) Financial Matters

- a) One Voice Wales – On the proposal of Cllr. Smithies seconded by Cllr. Richards the meeting approved the payment of £49 to cover membership of the Council Association for the year 2012/13.
- b) AON Insurance – On the proposal of Cllr. Richards, seconded by Cllr. Smithies the meeting approved the payment of £325.90 for the Council Insurance for the year 2012/13. The policy commences on the 1<sup>st</sup> June. The Clerk advised that there is sufficient money in the current account to pay these invoices, and the Council will receive the first precept payment for 2012/13 before the end of April. The next payment due is likely to be that for the Clock Maintenance which comes out of a different account.
- c) BDO Audit – The Audit Pack has been received for the year ending 31/03/2012, and the date for Audit has been set for the 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2012, earlier than last year. The Clerk proposes submitting the accounts for the May meeting, and then asking the Internal Auditor to review the documents before the June meeting so that the Annual Return can be approved at that meeting. Noted.
- d) Pembrokeshire Citizens Advice Bureau – 05/03/2012 – Financial appeal noted.

#### 7) Urgent Matters/Any Other business

- a) Retirement – Cllr. Krelle confirmed that he would not be standing at the next election. He had enjoyed his time on the Council and wished the new Council every success with their endeavours. A vote of thanks was proposed by the Chairman for his contribution which including a time as Chairman. Cllr. Jessop also expressed thanks to Cllr. Griffin who had also indicated that she would not be standing because of work commitments.
- b) NP Warden – Cllr. Richards advised that he had heard that Mr. Haydn Garlick may be transferred to a post in the South of Pembrokeshire. It was also not clear whether his post would be replaced, which made incidents as described above very worrying. Agreed that the Council should wait until further information was available.
- c) All Wales Coastal Path – Cllr. Jessop advised that it was hoped that there would be a particular effort to clear rubbish from the coastal path ahead of the All Wales launch on the 5<sup>th</sup> May. The path in this area stretches from Marloes Sands to Mill Haven, Brides.

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- d) Affordable Housing – The Clerk advised that Pembrokeshire Housing is drawing up a scheme for the exception site in conjunction with National Park. PCNPA are now suggesting that the site access should be linked to the pumping station access. A meeting with the community Council will be arranged as soon as possible.
- e) Glebe Lane – The Clerk advised that the stretch of pavement from the Church to Foxdale needed cleaning to clear growth, and the old well site on the opposite side was leaking water onto the highway. Agreed that Mrs. Evans refer these matters to the County Council.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting.

The next business meeting of the Council will be held on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2012 , at Marloes Village Hall, and will commence with the AGM.