

Martletwy Community Council
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Minutes of an Ordinary meeting of Martletwy Community Council
held on Monday 7th January 2019 at Lawrenny Village Hall at 7.30pm

Present: David Cole (Chairman); Michael Carpenter (Vice Chairman); Jason Crowther, Phil Davies, Philip Eynon, (Councillors); L Lesnianski (Clerk) *Di Clements*

Apologies: Phil Davies (Councillor)

18/121 Minutes of previous meeting: There was some discussion as to the wording of minute reference 18/111. Cllr Eynon queried if it was correct. Clerk confirmed the changes as listed in 18/111 had been recommended by the authority. After further discussion, the minutes were approved by a majority and signed by the Chairman.

18/122 Matters arising:

1. Defibrillator/Kiosk Power Source: Cllr Eynon and Cty Cllr Clements confirmed there had been a meeting of the Good Neighbours Scheme prior to Christmas. No discussions were undertaken at this meeting regarding any changes to the current configuration of the defibrillators. It was unanimously agreed this matter should be advanced to the April meeting.

2. Martletwy History Board: Cllr Carpenter reported he has again been in communication with a representative from Planed, Miss Kate Linley. He asked for advice and suggestions for funding streams for the community information boards. Planed advised there were a number of possible options: The Enhancing Pembrokeshire Fund; the Bluestone Community Fund; the South Hook LNG Community Fund; the Big Lottery Fund; and finally, the Heritage Lottery Fund. Chairman Cole suggested the Bluestone Community Fund maybe appropriate due to their proximity within the ward. Cty Cllr Clements stated the South Hook Community fund had not been keen to assist the Good Neighbours with funding for defibs and perhaps they would not be able to offer assistance on this occasion either. Cty Cllr Clements also felt Bluestone was a good fit. Councillors unanimously agreed the Enhancing Pembrokeshire Grant might also be suitable. There was confirmation other local organisations did not appear to have applied for this particular funding and therefore the Community Council may wish to apply to ensure the funds are not missed out. Clerk to enquire of Bluestone how to proceed with an application.

3. Relocation of Landshipping Noticeboard: Chairman Cole reported there was no advance on this matter to date. The plan is to relocate the noticeboard in early Spring before the new growth causes obstruction. Cllr Carpenter raised the issue of the replacement board for Martletwy. Cllr Crowther confirmed the refurbishment would be completed shortly. Upon completion, exchange will be scheduled.

18/123 Planning

1. Applications Received: 18/0842/PA. Weston Fields, Martletwy, SA67 8AS. Barn Conversion. Discussion of this application commenced with Cllr Eynon requesting clarification of whether the local authority had answered the question regarding whether the recent death of the applicant had an impact on the application's validity. Clerk confirmed they had not had the courtesy to respond. She further reported professional opinion had been sought from three different planning consultants, none of whom had a previous involvement with the application. All three professionals stated the death of the applicant had no bearing on the application and it would remain valid unless it was withdrawn. There was further discussion before the Councillors moved on to the matter in hand. Having viewed the application in full, online and on paper at the meeting, councillors agreed they had several concerns as follows:-

- a. Lack of sensitivity of resulting appearance of building. Not in keeping with local architecture.
- b. It was felt the barn was originally of stone and therefore the conversion should be finished accordingly. Cladding was not considered appropriate.
- c. Footprint of new building far exceeds original footprint of original barn for which conversion is applied.

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d. New building taller than original. Would new property effect neighbouring properties. View or amenity.

Councillors then voted on a determination. The vote was split 2-2 as to whether they should offer support to this application. It was determined Clerk would respond to the application stating if the concerns above were recognised and acted on the Community Council would reconsider their decision.

2. Notification Received: None Received.

3. Other Matters:

i. PCC. Replacement Local Development Plan Consultation & Martletwy Candidate Sites. Cty Cllr Clements gave background to this matter. The consultation is part of the basic consultation showing where and what sites and plans have been submitted and if any organisation or individual would like to offer comments of objection or approval, or indeed submit suggestions for sites not already included. This was the information she emailed to councillors prior to Christmas. Councillors discussed the LDP in general and the information forwarded to them by Cty Cllr Clements. In answer to an enquiry from Chairman Cole, Cty Cllr Clements confirmed LDP renewal occurred once a decade or more, often around twelve years. Cty Cllr Clements suggested the council revisit her email and feedback to Clerk by Monday 14th January with any comment they may wish to make to the consultation. It was unanimously agreed that if the Clerk did not receive comments by 14th January no response would be offered.

ii. PCNP. Local Development Plan. Clerk brought this matter to the attention of Council. Clerk to forward email to all. Carry forward to next meeting.

iii. PCNP – presentation to council. Cty Cllr Clements confirmed PCNP would be pleased to give a presentation to the Community Council prior to the February 2019 meeting. Cty Cllr Clements asked Councillors what, if anything, in particular they would like to be more informed about. After some discussion, it was agreed they would like the presentation to encompass planning process generally. Specifically, they would like to know if their views and comments are used in a meaningful way. Also, to discuss the wording of responses and the need for policy numbers.

18/124: Highway Matters

Cty Cllr Clements reported on the serious deterioration of the road at Minwear. Photos have been taken and submitted to PCC. Cty Cllr Clements has told PCC remedial work should be actioned as a matter of urgency. Recommended PCC and the farmer at Minwear are in contact to discuss the way forward. PCC have given assurances officers will attend, survey and order works.

Cty Cllr Clements reported on the matter of alterations to the “Flood” sign on the road to Garron Pill. Further to discussion with PCC it has been confirmed “Road Liable to Flooding” is a permitted variant for a road sign. There is no permitted variant for “Tidal Flooding”. After some discussion, it was suggested Cty Cllr Clements request if the word “Tidal” can be added to the posts separately. Cty Cllr Clements to report back at next meeting.

Cllr Eynon confirmed Limpen Lake can be removed from the list of works. This has been resolved.

Cty Cllr Clements reported on the Active Travel Scheme. These are shared access paths. Currently PCC are working on two Active Travel Schemes. One between Narberth and Haverfordwest and another is currently in development between Blackpool Mill and Haverfordwest.

Cllr Carpenter raised the issue of the Millstone on the A4075 opposite Canaston Bowl. This matter was raised some time ago. Cty Cllr Clements to make enquiries.

Cllr Cole raised the issue of the pothole on the road outside Vallen. It is getting bigger. Clerk to report.

Cllr Cole raised the issue of the Mill flooding. There is a stump in the river. Cllr Eynon reported this had been brought to the attention of PCC and they should be aware.

Cty Cllr Clements commented the resurfacing of Cott Lane had not yet commenced. She will look into it.

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18/125: Finances:

a. Budget 2019/20. Clerk presented a draft budget for the year 2019/20 for the purpose of setting the Precept. Councillors discussed the budget at length and made several changes taking into consideration current reserves, the need for electoral reserves and the number of new Councillors. In addition, they discussed the impact of payments and travel expenses to Councillors. Having concluded the budget the Council voted unanimously to adopt. Copy attached.

b. Precept. Further to the setting of the budget, minute reference 18/125/a, the Precept for the financial year 2019/20 was set at £4025.

c. Lawrenny Village Hall Invoice. Clerk presented council with an Invoice for hire of the Lawrenny Village Hall in the sum of £88. The payment was unanimously approved. Cheque issued and signed.

d. PCC Remittance Advice. Clerk presented a paper copy of the Remittance Advice for final precept payment of the year. Verified with signature and date by Chairman Cole.

18/126: Casual Vacancy: Clerk reported on the matter of the Casual Vacancy. PCC Election Services have reported they did not receive a request for an election. The Community Council can therefore move to co-opting a new community Councillor. Prior to co-option a Notice of Co-option must be displayed. Clerk to organise. Individuals who expressed an interest in filling the vacancy do not need to re-apply. Clerk will inform them. On completion of the Notice, Clerk will report back to the Community Council and the co-opt of a new Councillor can commence.

18/127: Councillor/Clerk Training.

a. One Voice Wales. Clerk presented the latest training schedule. Most sessions are too far away to consider.

b. Planning Aid Wales. Clerk informed Councillors of training schedule.

18/128: Meetings Attended by Community Councillors/Clerk. None Reported. Chairman Cole will contact LMN2000 to invite them to attend before a future meeting.

18/129: Correspondence Received:

a. PCNP. Policy Consultation Paper Copy Request – Focused Changes. Clerk presented correspondence to Council.

b. One Voice Wales - 2019-20 National Pay Agreement. Clerk presented correspondence to Council and confirmed the positive impact of increase to Clerk salary.

c. Resident Correspondence. Clerk brought to the attention of the council correspondence from a Lawrenny resident with concerns regarding flooding prior to Christmas. Clerk confirmed the matter had been passed to PCC Highway Maintenance Department as a matter of urgency.

d. PCC - Webcasting of Standards Committee Hearings. Clerk presented this correspondence to Council and Cllr Clements confirmed further details. A vote was taken as to whether or not Councillors felt there was a need for webcasting of the Standards Committee Hearings. It was agreed 3-1 the council did not have a view on this matter.

e. PCC – Council Budget 2019/20 Public Consultation Events. Clerk shared list of events to Council.

f. WAG - Community and Town Council Update. Clerk shared update with Council.

g. Paul Sartori – May 2019 Event. Clerk presented information regarding event with Council and requested permission to advertise online and in noticeboards. It was unanimously agreed.

h. Wales CHC - Shaping our priorities for 2019-20. Clerk to send to all Councillors.

i. One Voice Wales - SUDS Implementation 7 Jan 2019. Events Schedule. Clerk shared with Councillors. No take up. Clerk to enquire as to whether there will be slides or other media presentation following training sessions.

18/120: Communication: None Reported

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18/121: Date of Next Meeting. Monday 4th February 2019. Venue: Lawrenny Village Hall at 7.30pm.
Chairman requested Councillors consider options for a venue within the ward to hold an Ordinary meeting. Needs to be a public venue.

Meeting declared closed at 9.14pm.

Signed:  Date: 4th FEB 2019