

Minutes of the Meeting of Marloes & St. Brides Community Council held on
Monday 8th April 2013 at Marloes Village Hall.

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

- Community Resident – R. Titley
- Clerk to the Council - Mrs. Y. Evans

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. P. Smithies and from County
Cllr. Owen

- 1) The minutes of the March meeting were read, approved, and then signed by the
Chairman, Cllr. Richards, proposed by Cllr. Twidale, seconded by Cllr. Jessop.
- 2) Matters Arising
 - a) Skomer Warden – Clerk has spoken to Eddie Stubbings(new Joint Warden)
about meeting the Council, and other issues. He also advised that a couple
running Lockley Lodge this year were living locally. Clerk to contact them
reference supply of Peninsula Papers.
 - b) National Park Matters – Clerk had spoken to Hayley Barrett about St. Brides
issues. She had not been aware that the proposed traffic order was being
discussed at the N. P. Seminar. Discussed the telephone box – see item below.
 - c) Police Matters – No contact from Sgt. Vaughan – Clerk will send a further e-
mail as it will be helpful for the Council to talk to him before the Spring Bank
Holiday weekend. Noted that there had been an oil theft in St. Brides, and that
there had been vandalism and theft of a cycle bar near the Church at St. Brides.
Cllr. Richards had spoken to the Police, and was given a crime number, but has
had no further contact. National Park staff restored the area very quickly, and
rehung the Church notice board which had been taken off its posts. Travellers
had been in the area, but the police were aware of this group, and they had
moved on.
 - d) Recreation Area – Hayley Barrett, National Park Ranger had expressed an
interest in doing some hedge laying using volunteers. Clerk had given her
contact details for Mark Burton.
 - e) County Council – Highways. No response from Glenville Codd as yet.
Vehicles have been parking inside the new double yellow lines which is an
offence. Agreed to ask Cllr. Owen if this Council can start using the revised
warning notice to place on offending vehicles. Noted that the County Council
have erected barriers by the Marloes village toilets to keep parked vehicles

- away from the disabled toilet entrance. No response from Ben Blake to date. Cllr. Richards advised that a major refurbishment has been undertaken recently at the St. Brides toilets, and the new refuse/recycling bins are also in place.
- f) Clock Tower Footpath – Cllr. Burnett has contacted Sustran, and is waiting a response. Clerk to speak to Mrs. Champley when she returns from holiday. National Park have erected footpath signs recently.
 - g) Glebe Lane – Clerk had not received a response from Glenville Codd as yet.
 - h) South Hook -Proposed Combined Heat & Power Plant– Letter from R.P. S. received, dated 15/03/13 – passed to Cllr. Jessop to prepare a draft response to be circulated to members. Cllr. Janet Battey of Herbrandston C. C. has been given a copy of the Council's last consultation response.
 - i) PCC – Rights of Way. Clerk has passed maps to Mr. Cullen.
 - j) St. Brides Aid in Sickness Fund – The details have been included in the April edition of Peninsula Papers. Noted.
 - k) Street Lights – Noted that since the County Council switch – off that some lights are not working in the evening. Clerk to provide details to the department. Clerk had received an e-mail from David Galliers, West End, Marloes about the wish to have a light switched off permanently. Cllr. Jessop to check with all households in the area as to their views. Not known if the St. Brides toilet light have been looked at, to stop them being on overnight.
 - l) Parking Issues – Staff advised at the NP seminar that the County Council will be consulting on a new traffic order shortly which will include the St. Brides parking area. It is not proposed to charge for parking, but will enable the N. P. staff to take action against overnight camping etc. more quickly than now. Members also referred to the charging at Marloes Sands & Martins Haven car parks by the National Trust, which makes no allowance for local residents. Clerk advised that it would be helpful if this Council could find out if discretionary permits are used anywhere else, as there was a negative response to the last request.

3.Community Issues

- a) Village Action Plan – There will be a need to review all action points to see if individual groups can follow up proposals.
Village Hall – Grant applications ongoing. Noted.

b) Marine Conservation Zones – Clerk advised that she has yet to write up the notes from the meeting with Mr. Peter Davies, Chairman of the Stakeholder Group. Cllr. McDermott had also attended this meeting. Members present considered that the meeting with Mr. Davies had been reassuring and constructive. Mr. Davies had been positive that the HPMCZs would not go ahead at present. He had been due to meet the minister the next day, but a Welsh Government reshuffle of portfolios had meant that a new minister now held the brief, and it is not known as yet what his views may be. Mr. Davies had listened to members with regard to the present position, and that

the Council would welcome the designation of the Skomer Marine Reserve as a Marine Conservation Zone as it is presently run. He had e-mailed the Council to thank them for allowing him to attend the meeting, and promised to keep in touch. The meeting at Milford Haven had been held on the 26th March, and Cllr. McDermott had been provided with minute notes for his use. One Voice Wales had provided details of the February Stakeholder meeting at Aberystwyth. Cllr. Owen had arranged for a copy of the National Park (NP) response to the last consultation to be sent to the Council. Clerk to ask him if he can arrange for a copy of the response from the County Council to be received.

Cllrs Jessop and Beal advised that this item had been discussed at the NP Seminar. Attendees there had expressed disappointment that the Park authority were not represented on the Stakeholder Group. NP had been advised that the Community Council felt that they should have been consulted before any response was made by National Park.

Skomer Marine Reserve – Annual Meeting of the Advisory Committee – 18/04/13. Cllr. Smithies and the Clerk to attend. Noted.

4) Correspondence

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

March/April – Various e-mail letters received from Dale C. C. reference the HPM CZS consultation and subsequent meetings, and also about the Play Area. Noted.

13/03/13 – One Voice Wales – Welsh Government document – Vibrant & Viable Places – Clerk to forward details to Cllr. Burnett.

27/03/13 – Website Development – Clerk to attend a meeting arranged by the County Council on this matter. £500 per community is available from the Welsh Government to assist community councils set up websites. Clerk to establish whether a Community website with a Council section would be permitted.

28/03/13 – Mid & West Wales Fire & Rescue – Annual Improvement Plan 2013/14 – Cllr. Beal to check document details.

03/04/13 – PALC – Code of Conduct Training – 23/04/13 – Agreed that Cllrs Twidale and Beal attend the session.

04/04/13 – One Voice Wales – Area Committee Meeting, 16/04/13 – Clerk to tender an apology.

05/04/13 & 08/04/13 – The Big Lunch, 2nd June – 60th Anniversary of the Coronation – Details passed to Cllrs. Burnett & Twidale. The latter advised that plans for a local celebration are under discussion.

08/04/13 – Telephone Box, St. Brides – Clerk had circulated this e-mail from Hayley Barrett, NP Ranger earlier today. After discussion it

was agreed that the Council would be reluctant to take over responsibility for the Phone Box at present. There would be insurance implications, especially as the Box is not overlooked, and has suffered vandalism. Ms. Barrett is to be thanked for her initiative on this matter, but the Council would favour the second option that the box is painted and repaired so that it can be used by the public as required.

- b) PCC – 17/03/13 – Electronic Engagement Survey – Clerk had responded on behalf of the Council & herself as the Clerk. Noted.
- c) Wales Rural Observatory – 05/04/13 – Services Survey 2013 – Noted that the Clerk will complete this on behalf of the Council.

5) Planning Matters

- a) Slate Mill (Fenced Area) – No information received – see application below.
- b) National Park Seminar - 16th March 2013. Cllrs. Chris Jessop and Louise Beal gave a report on the Seminar. Attendance was reduced, and this Council could have sent three representatives if they had wanted. The first presentation had been on the proposed County Council Traffic Order which will cover both County & National Park car parks. It is also hoped to include the National Trust. Consultation planned for late April. The second presentation on Wind turbines was given by Richard James. He had not advised until challenged by Cllr. Jessop that households had permitted development rights for small domestic turbines. Issues raised by Community Councils had been from Nevern and Marloes & St. Brides C. Cs. The staff were not prepared for these items, and this generated more discussion as others present raised questions. Referred to holiday developments as Businesses, but did not refer to e.g. wind turbines in a similar manner. No information available on an individual Community Policy/Design statement, and Cllr. Jessop felt that this should be followed up with Jane Gibson. Dogs on beaches was raised, and a letter on policy should be received by Councils shortly. Saundersfoot has an effective PCSO. Agreed that the issue of Dogs and fouling problems be put on the agenda as a Community issue. Cllr. Burnett had e-mailed the Clerk with further problems in the Glebe Lane. The last presentation was by Phil Bennett on Archaeology in the Park. He had referred to Brunt Farm, Dale, and also to the Dale Airfield. The Seminar had closed with lunch. Cllrs Beal and Jessop were thanked for their report and attendance at the Seminar.
- d) PCNPA – 01/02/13 – Notification that Consultation on the Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG) for Low Impact Development will run from 06/02/13 to 03/05/13; and the consultation on the Annual

Monitoring Report will run from now until the 7th June 2013. Clerk reminded the meeting that the first consultation expired on the 3rd May – agreed that no response is made to this document.

- e) NP/12/0342 – Philbeach Farm – Wind Turbine. Clerk advised that notice of an appeal by Peter Smithies had been received from National Park during the month, with any further responses to be made by today. All members, except Cllr. Smithies had been circulated, and after discussions with the Chairman a response based on Cllr. Jessops draft had been sent last Friday by e-mail to the Planning Inspectorate. Clerk had also sent three copies as requested in the appeal letter, and had asked for a copy of the decision in due course. It was noted that the appeal will be dealt with by the Inspector on the basis of Written Evidence, and it is not known if he will visit the site.
- f) NP/13/0141 – Two Signs (Advertisement) – Slate Mill Lodge – Members noted that the two signs have already been erected on the building. The Council had no aesthetic objections to the design, and as there are no other properties nearby there will be no external impact.

Members noted that they had expected a retrospective planning application for the “Davy Crockett” parapet style fencing which has been placed above the Store Room. Agreed that the Clerk write separately on this matter.

- g) PCC – PCC – 26/02/13 – Copy of the presentation given on the PCC LDP received – not relevant to this Council area. Also 01/04/13 – Notice of Adoption of the PCC LDP received.

6) Financial Matters

- a) Clock Tower Insurance – The Clerk advised that Cllr. Smithies had succeeded in achieving a reduction of £23.66 on the premium, so a payment of £173.50 had been made to the NFU. Lloyds Bank had made a payment of £25 to the Council in respect of an error made by them in transferring £2000, rather than £200 to cover this payment – this has been corrected. Noted
- b) BDO Audit - Notice of audit for year ending 31/03/13 has been received. Clerk to prepare a timetable to allow for the work of the internal auditor to be completed, and to meet the deadline set by BDO. Clerk advised that she has contacted the HMRC about registration as an Employer to satisfy the requirements of legislation. Noted.
- c) One Voice Wales – 12/03/13 – Membership 2013/14. Members agreed to pay £50, on the proposal of Cllr. Jessop, seconded by Cllr. Burnett.

- d) Financial Appeal – 21/03/13 – Paul Sartori. Council will consider all requests for assistance later in the year.

7) Urgent Matters/Any other Business

- a) Rubbish, Slate Mill area – Mrs. Evans advised that this fly-tipping is in St. Ishmaels C. C. area, so she will e-mail their Clerk about the problem.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting. The next meeting of the Council will be held on Monday 13th May 2013, at Marloes Village Hall. The Annual General meeting will precede the normal Business Meeting