

**Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Council on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2009 in the Council Chamber at 7.00pm**

**Present:** SJ Halse Mayor, JG Lloyd Deputy-Mayor, JW Braby, DJO Chant, DJH George, MC Gray, MGD James, BT Price, CT Taylor, RJ Thornton, S Williams with PL Evans (Responsible Finance Officer) and DC Menday (Clerk).

**346 Apologies for Absence:** PA Goddard (Holiday).

**347 Declarations of Interest:** Members and Officers were reminded to make any declarations of personal and/or prejudicial interest that they might have in relation to items on the agenda.

**348 Confirmation of Minutes** for:-

- 348.1 The Council Monthly Meeting on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2009 – RESOLVED to be accepted and approved.
- 348.2 The 'In Committee' Business of the Monthly Meeting on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2009 – RESOLVED to be accepted and approved.
- 348.3 The Second Meeting of the Month on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2009 – RESOLVED to be accepted and approved.
- 348.4 The 'In Committee' Business of the Monthly Meeting on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2009 – RESOLVED to be accepted and approved.

**Matters arising from the Minutes:**

**349 RESOLVED:** That under section 100 (A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information.

- 349.1 PLAY AREA - Replacement of Multiplay item with similar equipment.
- 349.2 WHITESANDS CAR PARK ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS.

It was RESOLVED that the meeting should come out of 'Committee'.

**350 HOMECOMING PARADE** for 245 Squadron of 14<sup>th</sup> Signals Regiment (Electronic Warfare).  
Final arrangements were made for the parade on the following day.

**351 LNG TANKERS** in ST BRIDE'S BAY

Arrangements for the meeting at Milford Haven Port Authority together with Community Councils bordering St Brides Bay on Monday 12 October 2009 at 7pm were finalised with Councillors Lloyd, George, Goddard and Gray to attend with apologies being noted from the Mayor Cllr Halse and Cllr Chant.

**352 ALLOTMENTS**

The Clerk reported that no further information was available on rental costs on the recent offer of land. Discussion on previous offers followed with it being noted that the Allotment Group had looked at and not accepted various plots of land that had been presented.

**353 YOUNG PEOPLE - NEW INITIATIVE**

RESOLVED that a further invitation to meet with Council be sent to the Youth Drop In with Cllr B Price offering to visit the Drop In on the coming Thursday.

**354 CHRISTMAS**

- 354.1 Civic Reception – initial plans were progressing.
- 354.2 The Clerk reported that Pembrokeshire County Council's letter of 17 September 2009 provided authorisation for the Christmas Lighting Display and that an application to Western Power and Distribution for a temporary unmetered connections for festive lighting was in hand following their letter of 25 September 2009.

**355 HORSES AT WHITESANDS**

St Davids Trekking Centre letter of 23 September 2009 - It was noted that the Trekking Centre did not ride on Whitesands beach at peak times and it was RESOLVED to write to the Trekking Centre and thank them for their cooperation and responsible attitude. Efforts to contact other users would continue while it was RESOLVED to seek guidance from Pembrokeshire County Council and Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority on the overall situation regarding horses on beaches from both a general safety viewpoint at busy times, as well as the potential for contamination from horse waste affecting the Blue Flag status.

**356 ST DAVIDS COMMUNITY POOL GROUP**

356.1 Email of thanks for support offered of 23.9.09 was RESOLVED to be received.

356.2 Email of 23.9.09 with Minutes of Group meeting of 23.9.09 was RESOLVED to be received.

**357 CAERFAI ROAD – A response from a resident with concern over potential traffic calming measures was noted.**

The recent speed test assessments undertaken by Pembrokeshire County Council at Ffordd Caerfai from 30<sup>th</sup> July to 13<sup>th</sup> August measured average speeds of 22.9 towards A487 and 24.8mph towards Caerfai. No action was planned by the authority on the basis of this survey at a busy time of year.

**358 MR AND MRS G DEWING - Golden Wedding Anniversary - letter of thanks of 5 October 2009 for the bouquet was noted.****359 ORIENTATION SIGNS**

Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority letter of 28 September 2009 agreeing to the finishes of the sign was RESOLVED to be received.

**360 CAERFARCHELL GREEN**

360.1 RESOLVED: That under section 100 (A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information.

360.1.1 Legal matters regarding easements at the Caerfarchell Green site.

360.2 It was RESOLVED that the meeting should come out of 'Committee'.

360.3 Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority letter of 24 September 2009 - Temporary Closure of Public Footpath 86/112 Caerfarchell to Trewellwell during period of works at Caerfarchell sewage works site was RESOLVED to be received.

**Accounts:**

**361** Internal Audit for August – Responsible Finance Officer reported this had been successfully completed and it was RESOLVED to accepted and approved.

**362** Accounts for September 2009.

## INCOME AND EXPENDITURE SEPTEMBER 2009

Balances at 23/09/09	£
Current A/c	44184
Premium A/c	73993
Total	118177

SUMMARY	Car Park	City Hall	Admin	Capital	Misc	Café	St Justinian	VAT	TOTAL
Income	17628	2013			15	2101			21757
Expenditure	3686	410	2282		1373		77	145	7973
Balance	13942	1603	-2282	0	1358	2101	-77	-145	13784

## DONATIONS

LGA 1972 Sec 137 for 2009/10 is £9575 (£6.15 pp for 1557 residents)	
Last month's donations	50
Total donated 2009/10 YTD	1312
Balance available	8313

LGA 1972 Sec 214 Cemetery Maintenance	
Total donated 2009/10 YTD	700

## PAYMENTS

	£
Peter Lavin	2018.70
J Phillips	365.79
D C Menday	1483.43
P L Evans	237.40
Mr.Flag.com	70.12
Arnold Boorman	77.00
St Davids Assemblies Ltd	287.50
Pembs Online Ltd	360.00
PCC (White lining)	283.54
Playground Supplies Ltd	36.80
Nisbets	41.36
P Lavin	729.00
Viking Direct	512.25
HMRC	1801.49
HMCE VAT	11925.85
Abba Loos	483.00
PCC	13.61
<b>Total</b>	<b>20726.84</b>

362.1 RESOLVED to grant permission to pay the accounts.

**363 Donations:**

The following correspondence was RESOLVED to be received:-

363.1 Local Government Act 1972 Sec 137 - Letter of thanks of 14.9.09 from Urdd Gobaith Cymru for donation of £25.

363.2 Local Government Act 1972 Sec 214:-

363.2.1 Letter of thanks of 14.9.09 from Tretio Chapel for donation of £100.

363.2.2 Letter of thanks of 14.9.09 from Caerfarchell Chapel for donation of £100.

363.2.3 Letter of thanks of 21.9.09 from Berea Chapel for donation of £100.

**Correspondence**

**364** Wales Audit Office letter of 27 August 2009 received 11 September 2009. Report on how Community and Town councils can improve their financial management was RESOLVED to be received.

**365** Cardigan Bay Maritime History Project information was RESOLVED to be forwarded to St.Davids and Dewisland Historical Society.

**366** Welsh Assembly Government email of 16 September 2009 - Consultation on a Strategy for Marine Protected Areas in Wales: Protecting Welsh Seas was RESOLVED to be received.

**367** PALC email of 22 September 2009 - Notice of AGM on Saturday 17 October 2009 in County Hall at 10.30am was RESOLVED to be received.

**368** Pembroke Housing Annual Report 2008/9 was RESOLVED to be received.

**369** Pembrokeshire County Council letters of 17 September 2009 – National Non Domestic Rate Deferred Payments Scheme 2009 – 2010 for the City Hall and Whitesands Car Park – the information was RESOLVED to be received.

**370** CRUSE Invitation to Celebration of 50 Years of CRUSE Bereavement Care – Service in the Cathedral on Sunday 1 November 2009 at 6pm. As members had also been invited it was agreed that responses be made individually.

**371** Standard Letters, Promotional Information and Newsletters – the following items were RESOLVED to be received:-

- 371.1 Society of Local Council Clerk's notice of AGM on 24.10.09.
- 371.2 Wales Co-operative Centre Client News: 7 Sept 2009 and 21 Sept 2009.
- 371.3 North Pembrokeshire Transport Forum - News Briefing 2009.
- 371.4 Pembrokeshire Tourism
  - 371.4.1 September News.
  - 371.4.2 Promoting Pembrokeshire Out of Season.
- 371.5 One Voice Wales emails:
  - 371.5.1 The UK Local Government Alliance for International Development has just launched a survey to look at awareness within UK local government about global poverty and the local government role.
  - 371.5.2 Invitation to attend ECOTEC Info Day in Carmarthenshire (National Botanic Garden) 10 November 2009 especially of interest to those involved with Twinning.
- 371.6 Shelter Cymru packs have previously been distributed to councils in Carmarthenshire, Ceredigion & Pembrokeshire.
  - 371.6.1 Shelter Cymru would now like to ask your council for feedback on this information.
- 371.7 Fairtrade Towns September Newsletter.
- 371.8 Newsletter of Unlock Democracy (incorporating Charter 88), the UK's leading campaign for democracy, rights and freedoms.
- 371.9 Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority – Park Post Newsletter for Councils.

**372** Reports from Members representing the Council on Local Groups and Events:-

- 372.1 Bws y Bobol - Bws y Bobol Meeting Minutes & Finance Report of 8.9.09 were noted.
- 372.2 One Voice Wales – Cllr C Taylor reported on a constructive recent meeting with Mr Michael Harris of Tidy Wales providing a talk. Training opportunities and the concerns held by Solva Community Council over the swimming pool closure were also discussed.
- 372.3 St. Davids Christmas Tree Association – Cllr B Price advised there was a meeting Wednesday 8.10.09 at 2pm in Jones's Cafe.
- 372.4 St.Davids Day Celebration Group – The Mayor reported on a meeting to plan for 2010 on Tuesday 13.9.09 in the Memorial Hall at 7pm.
- 372.5 St Davids Eco City Group - Next Meeting Tuesday 6.10.09 at 8pm at the Old Cross Hotel.
  - 372.5.1 Eco City Group Minutes of 8.9.09 meeting were noted.
- 372.6 St.Davids Peninsula Tourist Association – Cllr D Chant reported that changes to the Association were anticipated for forthcoming Annual and other meetings.
- 372.7 St.Davids Matsieng Lesotho Link – Cllr C Taylor reported on fund raising events planned for 2010 primarily for the scholarships for schools with the group looking to extend links with other groups.
- 372.8 Youth Drop In – Representatives had already been invited to meet with the Council.

**373** County Councillor's Report. Cllr J George noted there were no matters were report.

- 373.1 Discussion followed on the condition of the footpath between Maes y Dre and Warpool Court – The Clerk reported that the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority was aware of the state of the path and enforcement officers were involved with regard to unapproved changes.

373.2 Mr W Lewis, High Street – The many signs displayed at the property some of which were offensive were discussed. Cllr J George noted that various authorities had been involved following reports and complaints however as the signs were inside the premises it appeared that the only course of action was for those who were affected by the comments made to take individual action. It was agreed to investigate ways of limiting the display.

**Clerk’s Business:**

374 Artswave Concert – arrangements for the concert and reception were finalised.

**375 Glass Recycling at Whitesands**

Clerk reported on the lack of facilities once more and it was RESOLVED that further enquiries be made to approach the relevant authorities involved to enable a satisfactory recycling facility to be provided particularly as this was understood to be a requirement for blue flag beach status.

**376 Signage and Road Markings to improve emphasis on No Entry into New Street from High Street.**

It was RESOLVED that Pembrokeshire County Council be asked to look at further ways to resolve the matter. It was also noted that many cyclists ride the wrong way down the One Way system and many do so on the pavement.

**Planning:**

377 NP/09/426 Raise main roof and replace side extension at rear of cottage – Fisherman’s (Formerly Sparrow) Cottage 18 Catherine Street it was RESOLVED to offer COUNCIL SUPPORT with observations received from a neighbouring resident being noted.

**Mayor’s Business**

378 Mayor’s Surgery was held at the Awareness Day with no one contacting the Mayor.

**379 Treeworks at Tŵr y Felin**

The Mayor reported on a meeting with Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority and Messrs Treeworks in regard to some felling and replanting of the field prior to the new works commencing at the hotel. This had all been approved by Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority.

**380 Carnival**

The need for a general review meeting was noted with Cllr G James advising that this was planned for 20 October in the Memorial Hall at 7pm.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 8.25pm

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