

**Minutes of the monthly Meeting of the Council on Monday 6th October 2014 in the Council Chamber at 6.00pm**

**Present:** Mayor DB Halse, Deputy Mayor FD John, ES Evans, MC Gray, MGD James, JG Lloyd, BT Price, K Rose, CT Taylor, S Williams with CH Gray (Clerk) and PL Evans (Responsible Finance Officer).

**276 Apologies for Absence:** DJO Chant, DJH George  
County Councillor DB Lloyd.

**277 Declarations of Interest:** Members were requested to identify any declarations of personal or prejudicial interests that they might have in relation to items on the agenda.

277.1 Cllr Gray declared a prejudicial interest in relation to Item 298 and left the Council Chamber while the item was discussed.

**278 Confirmation of Minutes for:-**

278.1 The Council Monthly Meeting on Monday 1st September 2014 were RESOLVED to be approved.

278.2 The Second Meeting of the Month on Monday 15th September 2014 were RESOLVED to be approved.

278.3 The Special Meeting of the City Council on Thursday 25th September 2014 were RESOLVED to be approved.

**Matters Arising**

**279 FIRST RESPONDER PROVISION** it was RESOLVED that by virtue of The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded from discussions on this item on the basis that disclosure thereof would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

**280 AFFORDABLE HOUSING** Members were joined by Martina Dunne of Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority, Andrew Davies-Wrigley of Pembrokeshire County Council and Peter Maggs of Pembrokeshire Housing Association to discuss the provision of affordable housing in St Davids. Copies of the information presented to the City Council by the respective guests are attached to these minutes.

280.1 Martina Dunne informed the Council that PCNPA currently had a back log of 400 affordable houses to be built within the National Park and that the Authority was actively trying to encourage land owners to engage in affordable housing schemes. Ms Dunne confirmed that a meeting had recently taken place between the Authority and County Cllr David Lloyd together with the land owner and architect of a proposed scheme on Glasfryn Road which if realised would see the provision of 120 dwellings (30 of which would have to be "Affordable") and a swimming pool. Cllr Gray asked whether any restrictions could be imposed on the 90 private dwellings preventing them from being sold at an inflated price as second or holiday homes? Ms Dunne confirmed that there were restrictions that could be put into place however the restrictions sometimes made obtaining a mortgage more difficult for some buyers (S106 is applicable to affordable housing. Examples could be the transfer of housing to the Housing Association for rental only, controlling the price at 70% of the market value and imposing a restrictive covenant ensuring that the person occupying the dwelling must be from St Davids). Ms Dunne advised the Council to ask a similar question at the public meeting on Wednesday 9th October. Ms Dunne also confirmed that Pembrokeshire County Council as Highway Authority were in the process submitting a bid to obtain funding to widen Glasfryn Road.

280.2 Andrew Davies-Wrigley informed the Council that currently 2042 households were needing a home in Pembrokeshire. Need was assessed on an allocation policy. Those in the Bronze category were deemed to have adequate housing and those in the Silver or Gold category were deemed to have a strong need to be either housed or re-housed. Mr Davies-Wrigley that Pembrokeshire County Council as Housing Authority had virtually no control over the mutual exchange element of the housing policy and concurred that due to a lack of 3 bedroom houses available in St Davids a number of tenants had opted to exchange their 1 or 2 bedroom properties in St Davids for 3 bedroom houses outside of the

area. Mr Davies-Wrigley confirmed that the ratio of allocation to local residents had increased from 1 in 10 properties to 1 in 3. Cllr John asked whether surplus land in Heol Dewi could be acquired for affordable houses. Mr Davies-Wrigley assured the Council that he would investigate the legal status of the land. Cllr Lloyd asked whether single people occupying 3 bedroom houses could be made to vacate the property and live in 1 bed room homes. Mr Wrigley-Davies informed the Council that this was not possible.

- 280.3 Mr Maggs informed the Council that the Housing Association's financial criteria was set by the Welsh Assembly Government which stipulated the amount that they could spend on buying land as well as the rent that they could charge for the properties that they let. Consequently, although the Association would like to build in St Davids they could not acquire land at a price they could afford and therefore it wasn't economically viable to build here. Mr Maggs explained that Millbay Homes build privately owned home at affordable prices and that any surplus funds were transferred to the Association for future affordable housing. Cllr Evans asked whether Millbay Homes could build at Glasfryn Road and surplus monies be used to build affordable homes alongside them. Mr Maggs said in theory this was possible providing the finances tallied. Mr Maggs informed the Council that the recent development at Roch was built on an exception site. Permission to build was granted by Pembrokeshire County Council on the condition that the houses were for affordable rental only. Cllr Williams questioned whether exception sites would be considered in the same way in St Davids with the PCNPA acting as planning authority, Mr Maggs advised that any potential exception sites be passed by the City Council to the PCNPA for consideration.

The Mayor and Councillors thanked all of the representatives for attending the meeting before Ms Dunne, Mr Davies-Wrigley and Mr Maggs left the meeting.

- 280.4 Information regarding affordable housing, site allocation and co-operative housing was received together with a poster from County Councillor David Lloyd publicising the public exhibition regarding the proposed scheme at Galsfryn Road mentioned on page 20 of the co-operative housing information.
- 280.5 The following comments were taken in response to Martina Dunne letter of 16th June 2014 regarding the Replacement Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Guide:
- 280.5.1 Generally there is continued concern with the lack of housing, including affordable housing, being built within our City Council boundary and the wider peninsula area. Para 2.3 indicates on average 3 affordable units per year are being built in the National Park Authority area as a whole, this is clearly unacceptable and is strangling the sustainability of our local community.
- 280.5.2 The City Council welcomes the revised approach to housing provision, and the revised viability figures. They would hope that a 30% target figure on sites within the St Davids area will now help stimulate the general market and allow a proportion of each site to consequently deliver affordable housing. They further welcome the 'positive approach to viability negotiations' as some of the sites may have other constraints that will need addressing in order to deliver housing. The Council would not want these sites being prevented from coming forward due to over onerous restrictions.
- 280.5.3 The Council welcomes the revised financial contribution of £150 per square meter towards affordable housing provision in the St Davids area. They look forward to the money already generated through S.106, and that which will be generated in the future, contributing to the delivery of affordable houses in the local area.
- 280.5.4 The Council welcomes the flexible approach to tenure and accommodation mix, this is important to tailor housing to the area and allow them to be sustainable in perpetuity.
- 280.5.5 The City Council welcomes the close working relationship that exists between the National Park Authority, County Council and local Housing Associations. Hopefully by all working together we can successfully deliver additional affordable houses in the St Davids areas, allowing local families to remain in the community and ensure its sustainability.
- 280.5.6 Additionally to the SPG, the City Council continues to be very concerned about the reduction of the permanent population in St Davids. It is disappointing that the Welsh Government and other national housing stakeholders including PCNPA seem unable to offer any protection to communities where the proportion of existing housing transferring to holiday tenancies increases every year.

**281 ST JUSTINIANS**

- 281.1 Howard Richings e-mail of 19th September 2014 regarding future use of existing lifeboat station was received.
- 281.2 Julie Whitlock e-mail of 23rd September 2014 inviting representatives of the City Council to meet with other Statutory Bodies in County Hall on 6th November 2014 was received. Cllrs Evans, Gray, James, John and Taylor confirmed that they would be able to attend. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk would confirm with the RNLI the number of representatives expected to attend from each organisation.
- 281.3 Andrew Richards, PCNPA letter of 1st October 2014 was received. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk would forward a copy of the letter together with an extract of minutes taken from the City Council's meetings of 1st and 15th September to the Porthstinian Boat Owners Association and confirm whether the PBOA were willing to meet with the City Council to discuss th response to the pre-application.
- 281.4 It was further RESOLVED to review the City Council's objectives regarding its involvement at St Justinians following the RNLI's meeting at County Hall on 6th November 2014.

**282 CITY HALL DEVELOPMENT** Wes Spees letter of 29th September 2014 outlining costs and proposed schedule of works was received. It was RESOLVED to approve the costs and to instruct Mr Spees to act as the Council's architect.

**283 SCHOOL CROSSING NUN STREET** Kirstie-Anne Donoghue e-mail of 30th September 2014 advising that the crossing will be re-evaluated was received.

**284 SMP NEWGALE** The Clerk confirmed that Mr Westley, Director of Transportation, Housing and Environment for Pembrokeshire County Council will attend the next monthly meeting of the City Council on Monday 3rd November 2014 to discuss the managed retreat of Newgale.

**285 DEMENTIA FRIENDLY COMMUNITY** The Mayor reported that the recent launch of the Society at Ysgol Dewi Sant was successful and very positive in raising the Society's profile as well making people aware of the practical facilities that the group could offer. The Mayor informed the Council that the recent donation of £100 to the Dementia Friendly Society and been cancelled and a replacement cheque had been issued to the Ysgol Dewi Sant PTA in lieu of the costs of hiring the venue.

- 285.1 Pembrokeshire County Council letter (not dated) inviting representatives of the City Council to attend a Ageing Well in Wales event on 10th October 2014 was received.

**286 CHRISTMAS STREET LIGHTS** Following Maritn Avil e-mail of 30th September requesting permission to commence remedial work prior to 9th November it was RESOLVED to approve the request to install the bolts and the poles but to insist that no Christmas light be installed at the Cross Square prior to Remembrance Sunday.

- 286.1 Cllr Gray informed the Council that the poles were in need of re-painting. It was RESOLVED that Cllr Evans would liaise with Brawdy & Hayscastle YFC and enquire as to whether they would be willing undertake the work.

**287 MEMORIAL PLAYING FIELD**

- 287.1 **MINI CAROUSEL** The Clerk reported that carousel had been repaired and installed by St Davids Assemblies.
- 287.2 **ROCKING HORSE** The Clerk reported that the horse had been repaired by St Davids Assemblies.
- 287.3 **WITCH'S HAT** The Clerk reported that the apparatus was currently being repaired by St Davids Assemblies and was due to be reinstalled imminently.
- 287.4 It was RESOLVED to write a letter of thanks to St Davids Assemblies as soon as the repairs were complete.

**Accounts**

**288** The Responsible Finance Officer reported that the Internal Audit for August 2014 had been completed successfully.

**289** Accounts for September 2014.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE SEPTEMBER 2014			
<b>Balance as at 30th September 2014</b>		£	
	Current A/c	307295.25	
<b>INCOME</b>	Car Park	18805.00	
	City Hall	2278.57	
	Cafe	2277.40	
	Miscellaneous	1.49	
	Market stalls	495.00	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>23857.46</b>	
	LGA 1972 Sec137 for2014/15 is £10821		LGA 1972 Sec 214 Cemetery
	Last month's donations	100	Total donated 2014/2015
	2014/15 total	1675	
	Balance available	9146	
<b>PAYMENTS</b>		£	
	Admin	1547.09	Salaries:Clerk & RFO
			HMRC (VAT)
		129.48	Phone and Internet
	Whitesands	3690.75	Attendant's commission (5)
	Newsletter	1016.73	Printing & travel
	Playground		
	Hall & House	369.73	Caretaker's salary
		277.81	Chubb Fire
		18.71	D/D Boiler service
		43.48	Cleaning products
	Mayor's Expenses		
	St Justinians	874.00	Toilet hire / cleaning
	Miscellaneous	534.00	Audit fee
		356.56	Bank charges
		25.00	Flag repairs
		952.00	PCC (Council tax-3props)
		171.82	Dwr Cymru -(2props)
		434.00	Painting benches
	<b>Total</b>	<b>10441.16</b>	
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The accounts for the month were approved and permission was granted to pay.

**276 ST DAVIDS STREET NAME SIGNS** It was RESOLVED to enquire whether Mrs V Davies would be prepared to undertake the task of cleaning the name signs.

At 8.55pm Cllr Price left the meeting.

### Correspondence

- 290** Pembrokeshire County Council e-mail of 3rd September 2014 inviting representatives the City Council to attend an information session regarding the 2015/16 budget implications. It was RESOLVED that the Cllr James would attend on 23rd October together with the Clerk.
- 291** Cllr Evans e-mail of 17th September 2014 advising of Pembrokeshire County Council's drop in session taking place on Tuesday 21st October 2014 was received.
- 292** Pembrokeshire County Council e-mail of 26th September 2014 requesting feedback for annual Improvement Plan was received.
- 293** St Davids Peninsula Tourist Association e-mail of 17th September thanking the Council for allowing leaflets to be stored on the premises was received.
- 294** Pembrokeshire County Council letter of 17th September 2014 advising that the Register Office has moved to Cherry Grove was received.
- 295** Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority letter of 22nd September 2014 advising that public consultation regarding the Authority's future priorities will take place at Oriol y Parc on Wednesday 22nd October was received.
- 296** Pembrokeshire County Council e-mail of 24th September 2014 inviting representatives of the City Council to attend a meeting to discuss the Authority's rent reform was received.
- 297** St Davids Christmas Tree Association entry form for the Festival of Christmas Trees. It was RESOLVED that Cllr Rose would enter a tree in the competition on behalf of the City Council.

### Planning

**298** C21/14 T1 Sycamore - 20% maximum growth thin through entire crown at bank House, 15 Goat Street, SA62 6RF was RESOLVED to be supported.

### Any other business:

- 299** Cllr Taylor informed the Council that he felt that the road at Whitesands past Fynnon Feidog had become dangerous due to the number of cars parking on the visibility verge. Cllr Taylor felt that bollards should be installed to prevent cars from parking. It was RESOLVED to include this item for discussion on the agenda of the next monthly meeting of the City Council.
- 300** Cllr Williams informed the Council that due to work commitments she may not be able to cater for the Civic Reception this year. The mayor informed the Council that all of the 2014 Christmas events would be included on the agenda for the next meeting.
- 301** Cllr John informed the Council that the situation of cars parking on the bend of the road between Bryn Road and Ffynnon Wen remained unsatisfactory and dangerous. It was RESOLVED to include the item to include this item for discussion on the agenda of the next monthly meeting of the City Council.
- 302** Cllr John informed the Council that Miss A James had a greed to supply and plant spring bulbs in the raised beds underneath the St Davids City signs near Ocean Haze and on Glasfryn Road.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.10pm

Signed .....

Date .....

**Minutes of the Second Meeting of the Month on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2014 in the Council Chamber at 7.00pm.**

**Present:** Mayor DB Halse, Deputy Mayor FD John, DJO Chant, ES Evans, MC Gray, MGD James, JG Lloyd, BT Price, K Rose, CT Taylor, S Williams with CH Gray (Clerk) and PL Evans (Responsible Finance Officer).

**303 Apologies for Absence:** DJH George. K Rose.

**304 Declarations of Interest:** Members were requested to identify any declarations of personal or prejudicial interests that they might have in relation to items on the agenda.

**Matters Arising**

**305 ST JUSTINIANS**

305.1 The Clerk distributed the minutes of City Council's meeting with Porthstinian Boat Owners Association on 15th October 2014 a copy of which is attached to these minutes. Cllr James reported that the meeting went very well and asked whether a further meeting should take place between the members of the City Council to discuss the issues surrounding parking, management and toilets as contained in Vicki Hurst's letter of the 12th August 2014. It was RESOLVED to convene a meeting following the RNLI Meeting in County Hall on 6th November 2014.

305.2 Council representatives attending RNLI's meeting in County Hall on 6th November 2014. The Clerk informed the Council that the RNLI would prefer no more than 2 representatives to attend the meeting. It was RESOLVED that Cllr James and Cllr Evans would attend the meeting.

**306 ST DAVIDS POST OFFICE** Post Office letter of 6th October 2014 advising that the current branch will close on 6th December and open in CKs on 8th December 2014 was received with the Council acknowledging the closure a sad loss to the centre of the city.

**307 YSGOL DEWI SANT** Please see Director for Children and Schools of Pembrokeshire County Council's report following preliminary consultation regarding the review of secondary education provision in the St Davids area. Following a lengthy discussion on the recent Cabinet meeting it was RESOLVED to request a special meeting with County Councillor and Head of Governors at Ysgol Dewi Sant, David Lloyd to ascertain:

307.1 the full implications of education provided in the medium of Welsh,

307.2 to establish the Church's view of the amended options contained in the Director's report; and

307.3 whether the City Council could contact the Director of Children and Schools as well as the Head of Education quoting information that is given verbally regarding the recent Estyn inspection prior to that information being made official.

**308 REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY** Members were joined by Andy Icton, Secretary for the St Davids Branch of the Royal British Legion, to discuss the issues raised in Mr Icton's letter of 1st October 2014 regarding future parades. The Council agreed that the loss of the 14 Signal Regiment in 3 years time would have a significant impact on the parade. It was mooted that following the absence of the soldiers the parade may have to be reduced to a more simple but well organised ceremony on the Cross Square without the element of marching down from Oriell y Parc. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk would work alongside Mr Icton to prepare for Remembrance Sunday 2015. Cllr Williams offered her apologies for this year's event.

**309 CHRISTAMS EVENTS**

309.1 LIGHTING CEREMONY Cllr Price as Chair of the Christmas Tree Association informed the Council that preparations were in hand though more stewards were required. The Mayor asked for clarification as to whether the Christmas Tree Association was responsible for the event or the City Council. It was RESOLVED that the Council would indemnify the 2014 event with the Christmas Tree Association continuing with the practical arrangements. It was further RESOLVED that the Clerk would prepare a list

of tasks associated with the event and that these would be discussed at the next meeting of the City Council to clarify which organisation is responsible for each element in the future.

### 309.2 CIVIC RECEPTION

- 309.2.1 The mayor informed the Council that Cllr Rose had offered to provide the catering for the buffet. It was RESOLVED to accept Cllr Rose's offer.
- 309.2.2 It was RESOLVED to invite players of national sports teams attending Ysgol Dewi Sant.
- 309.2.3 It was RESOLVED to invite 'Winifred' Prices new art group.
- 309.2.4 It was RESOLVED that the Clerk would purchase the ingredients for the mulled wine.

### 309.3 SENIOR CITIZENS' LUNCH

- 309.3.1 It was RESOLVED change the event to ticket only with a list and tickets available in Siop Y Bobl.
- 309.3.2 It was RESOLVED to approve the Responsible Finance Officer's request to purchase a chest freezer.
- 309.3.3 It was RESOLVED that the Clerk would assist Cllr Gray with the transport if required.

**310 CITY HALL DEVELOPMENT** Wes Spees e-mail of 8th October 2014. was received. The Clerk confirmed that the letter of agreement has been signed and returned.

### 311 CITY HALL REPAIRS

- 311.1 Gas heater in Memorial Hall - The Clerk informed the Council that a new gas heater could not be installed in the Memorial Hall. It was RESOLVED to obtain a quote for energy efficient electric storage heaters.
- 311.2 Strip lights in City Hall - The clerk informed the Council that Brian Price was to fix the lights on Wednesday at a cost of £45 each and that 8 needed replacing.
- 311.3 Leaking roof in Gents toilets - It was RESOLVED to contact Ceri Davies again and to also contact Neil Trayte to enquire whether fibre glass would be more suitable.
- 311.4 Broadband in Council Chamber - The Clerk informed the Council that the Broadband had now been fixed following the damage caused by the recent storm.

**312 REMOVAL OF ESSENTIAL SERVICES AT WITHYBUSH HOSPITAL** Cynthia Ryder e-mail of 1st September containing copy of standard letter from Angela Burns AM to constituents was received with both frustration and disappointment.

### 313 TRAFFIC MATTERS

- 313.1 Bryn Road - The Clerk reported that the Highway Authority were reluctant to even consider implementing any parking restrictions unless a case could be made for exceptional circumstances. The Clerk informed the Council that PCSO Jude Parr had visited the site and although she had no legal powers of enforcement was willing to politely request any cars be moved by their owners. It was RESOLVED to pursue the issue with Pembrokeshire County Council as Highway Authority.
- 313.2 Goat Street - Cllr Evans reported that she had received a complaint from a constituent regarding parking on the single line restriction outside Epworth, Goat Street. The unnamed constituent struggled to manoeuvre a large agricultural vehicle past the parked cars and requested whether double yellow lines could be implemented along the whole length of road. Cllr Price stated that in the past the Council had refused to consider such requests unless they were put to the Council in writing. Cllr Williams advised that historically agricultural vehicles had always found it difficult to travel along Goat Street at certain times and proposed that the request was declined. It was RESOLVED not to request the implementation of double yellow lines.

**314 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS** Martin Avil e-mail of 1st October 2014 advising that the remedial work and installation of the lights will take place after Remembrance Sunday was received. Cllr Evans informed the Council that Brawdy & Hayscastle YFC had agreed to paint the poles. Permission was granted for them to purchase paint and brushes from Mathias Hardware on the City Council's account.

**315 AFFORDABLE HOUSING**

315.1 The Chair informed members that the City Council's response to the Replacement Affordable Housing Supplementary Guidance has been completed and received by the PCNPA.

315.2 The public meeting in regarding the proposed swimming pool and housing development on Glasfryn Road was well supported by both Councillors and residents alike with the Council "welcoming the work that has been done". Cllr Evans requested that the subject of proposed higher council tax on second homes be put on the next agenda and it was RESOLVED to do so.

**Planning**

**316** PCNPA letter of 1st August (this Item was deferred from the meeting of 1st September 2014) requesting comments regarding the Draft National Park Management Plan was RESOLVED to be completed following the National Park's public meeting on 22nd October 2014. Cllr Taylor commented that no mention of local farming or holiday homes was made in the plan.

**317** Rob Scourfield e-mail of 2nd October containing the St Davids Article 4 Direction was received. Cllr Evans questioned the impact and practicalities that Article 4 would have on highways. Cllr Chant commented that flooding was a nationwide problem associated with hard standing.

**Correspondence**

**318** Rhowan Alleyne e-mail of 4th September 2014 Proposal for St Davids family discovery trail. It was RESOLVED to express an interest on behalf of the Council but to request further information regarding how the project would be funded. It was further RESOLVED to forward a copy of the letter to the St Davids Peninsula Tourist Association.

**319** Planning Aid Wales (not dated) invitation to Exploring Community planning seminar was received.

**320** Susan Sanders e-mail of 15th September 2014 Public meetings to discuss planning for the future of Welsh medium education provision was received.

**321** Jude Parr e-mail of 18th September 2014 St Davids PACT meeting to take place on Wednesday 14th January 2015 was received.

**322** Fig Tree Creativity letter of 22nd September 2014 proposal to produce 1st World War commemorative brochure was received. It was RESOLVED to enquire whether there was a local firm that could produce a similar brochure.

**323** Les Phillips e-mail of 22nd September 2014 St Davids Community Award. It was RESOLVED to thank Mr Phillips for delivering the newsletter and to inform him that the City Council would continue to present the Community Award as the candidates were all nominated by the public. It was further RESOLVED to reiterate that the City Council had no involvement with the nomination process itself, the Council merely select one of the nominees as the winner.

323.1 Newsletter - it was RESOLVED to continue with the current format in terms of page size and colour. Cllr Price commented that the *Letter From the Mayor* page had been well received and suggested that in the next edition the page contain even more details of the Council activities.

**324** Steve Jones e-mail of 25th September 2014 Emergency planning committee it was RESOLVED to convene a meeting in January 2015.

**325** Ian Westley letter of 9th October 2014 Winter maintenance provision was received.

**326 Reports from Members representing the Council:-**

326.1 PALC - please see Paul Egan e-mail of 15th September together with Vanessa Walker e-mail of 6th October 2014. It was RESOLVED to discontinue the City Council's membership with both PALC and One Voice Wales. The Clerk informed the Council that all of the relevant information resources and advice notes could be accessed through her membership with the Society of Local Clerks and Councils.

326.2 St Davids Carnival Association - Cllr Price reported that Cllr Rose was in the process of convening a meeting.

326.3 St Davids Christmas Tree Association. Nothing to report further to Item 309.1.



- 326.4 St Davids Day Celebration Group. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk and Chair would convene a meeting to take place as soon as was practicable. Cllr James reported that the programme for the 2015 Eisteddfod had been published.
- 326.5 St Davids Day Centre for the Elderly. Cllr Williams reported that all was going well, with the Group enjoying several trips out recently.
- 326.6 St Davids Eco City Group. Nothing to report.
- 326.7 St Davids Peninsula Tourist Association. Cllr Evans provided the Council with the following report: St Davids Peninsula Tourist Assoc met on 10th September 2014. The following issues were discussed at the meeting:
- Sandchurch competition, 11<sup>th</sup> August – A successful day was had, details and photos to be added to the website soon.
  - St Davids Carnival, 23<sup>rd</sup> August – Cllr Evans reported a successful day, but the tourist assoc suggested that due to Saturday changeover that the preference would be to return this to the Bank Holiday Monday. Cllr Evans agreed to discuss with the Carnival Committee when they next meet.
  - 2015 Broadsheets – this will be finalised at a meeting on 28/9/14, over 80 members have signed up to it.
  - AGM – This will be held on 26<sup>th</sup> November, with the Grove Hotel being approached as the venue, meeting to be followed by the annual dinner – details tbc. Next meeting 12<sup>th</sup> November, Memorial Hall 7.30pm
- 326.8 Porthclais Harbour Authority. Nothing to report.
- 326.9 St Davids - Matsieng Lesotho Link. Cllr Taylor provided the Council with the following report: Since my last report to the council very little had happened involving the group, which has not in fact met for quite some while, mainly due to the initial paucity of contact between St Davids and Matsieng following the return of our delegation at the end of February. However, this situation has very recently now changed for the better. We have received some letters and messages from Lesotho, which give me a chance to update everybody, and it is in any case high time that we held our AGM. This will take place in the **Memorial Hall at 6.00pm on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November**. Anybody interested in the twinning and in Lesotho will be extremely welcome to attend. Secretary Tim Watts and myself have also just attended Dolen Cymru's annual celebrations in Carmarthen, and this has given us some positive ideas for taking the group forward. Dolen Cymru has also recently appointed a new education officer, and we have invited her to attend the AGM as an observer, an invitation which she has already accepted. We feel that this could be a very useful contact for us in the future. This report, written by myself in my dual role both as chairman of the group as well as council representative on that group, therefore takes the liberty of to some extent of anticipating this meeting and any information to be conveyed at it. I am at least able to inform the council, as the progenitor of the twinning, that I have now heard from the head teacher of St Matthew's School in Matsieng, with a list of projects that we could assist with at the school. She has also stated that she would like to see completion of the classroom 'half built' by Bishop Carl Cooper, and I am in discussions with the present Bishop of St Davids and his colleagues in Carmarthen over the funding situation, ie how much money is actually left in the funds, and whether it will be possible to complete the project. The head teacher of St Matthew's, with a 'St Davids classroom' already in the middle of her school, and possibly to be extended, is obviously enthusiastic about building up more bridges with St Davids and particularly Ysgol Bro Dewi, and I know that Mrs Vaughan is also keen to develop the link. Our group, which up to now has concentrated on assisting orphans of aids at Moshoeshoe II High School, a programme which has not been without its complications, could therefore in the future possibly slightly change its role and concentrate on assisting St Matthew's School. However this is obviously something that will have to be decided by the members at the AGM. Meanwhile, Tim and myself are also talking to Ysgol Dewi Sant about ways in which they might be able to undertake some sort of project in support of Moshoeshoe II High School without undermining that school's existing relationship with Ysgol Plas Mawr in Cardiff. We will hope to report back on this in due course.
- 326.10 Youth Drop In. Cllr Price reported that the Club was running well and would be open during half term this year. Cllr Price asked whether the Youth Club pay for the using the City Hall. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk would investigate and report back at the next meeting.
- 326.11 Ysgol Bro Dewi Governor. Cllr Halse provided the Council with the following report: "The Governing body met on Wednesday 15th October. I have joined several committees including Finance,

Admissions and Staff Disciplinary. Janet Ingram, Nicola Davies and Janice Jenkins have recently been appointed as governors and County Councillor David Lloyd has recently resigned, owing to work commitments. As there is a need for a governor that is employed by the County Council, Emma may well be approached by Ysgol Bro Dewi. The school remains committed to starting both pre and after school sessions and are working hard to establish them. There were concerns at the meeting that the School's preferred option for the future provision of education in St Davids was not contained within the recent report submitted to the County Council by the Director of Schools and Children. While there were no clergy present at this meeting, the Dean continued to be on the governing body. It is anticipated that the results of the recent Estyn inspection would be available during November."

- 326.12 Planel Community Forum. Cllr Halse reported that the recent meeting was very positive and that he had met with Mr Edey several times.
- 326.13 Porthstinan Boat Owners Association. Nothing to report further to Item 305.I.
- 326.14 Porthmawr Surf Life Saving Club. Cllr Gray reported that the RNLI had installed Broadband in the Club house at a cost of £40 per month to the Club, consequently the Club had now cancelled the subscription.

**Clerk's business**

**327** St Davids City Newsletter - Publisher software for Cllr Taylor's computer. It was RESOLVED to reimburse Cllr Taylor the sum of £379.

**Any other business**

**328** The Mayor informed the Council that the June 2014 minutes would be confirmed at the monthly meeting of November.

**329** The Mayor reminded Councillors of the County Council's consultation regarding the 2015 budget in the Sports Hall on Tuesday 21st October 2014.

**330** Cllr Evans suggested that a letter of congratulations be sent to Joanna Price and the Lifeguards for their recent sporting successes. It was RESOLVED to do so.

**331** Cllr Chant asked whether the coloured festive lights could be installed for the upcoming RNLI fundraising event in the City Hall. It was REOLVED to approve the request and to grant permission for the lights to be used.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.45pm.

Signed .....  
Chair

Date .....