

**DALE COMMUNITY COUNCIL  
MEETING  
AT  
THE JUBILEE SUITE, DALE.  
ON  
9<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2015.  
AT  
1900HRS.**

**Present: Mr L Jones (Chairman); Mr P Garnish; Mr P Morgan; Mr M Reynolds; Mr A Truelove; Mrs T Warlow; Mr H Bishop (Clerk); Mr D Nockels (Deputy Clerk).**

**In attendance: Mr J Goodwin; Mr Kerrigan (Item 4(a) and 6(b) only); Mrs Kerrigan (Item 4(a) and 6(b) only).**

**Apologies for absence: Cllr R Owens.**

- 1. Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 5<sup>th</sup> October, 2015** – the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 5<sup>th</sup> October, 2015 were agreed as a correct record and it was agreed that they should be placed on the website, together with a copy of the letter from Dwr Cymru Welsh Water dated 5<sup>th</sup> October, 2015.

**Action: Deputy Clerk to arrange with website.**

- 2. Matters Arising** – it was noted that all matters arising from the Minutes of the last meeting of the Council have been included in the Agenda for discussion at this meeting.
- 3. Declarations of interest** – at the request of the Chairman, the Clerk reminded the Community Councillors of the obligation on them to declare any interest that they may have in matters for decision by the Community Council. The obligation on those with a “prejudicial interest” to leave the room while such matters were discussed was noted.
- 4. Progress Reports.**

- a. One way system abuse** – the Councillors reviewed the Minutes from their meetings on 16<sup>th</sup> June, 2014, 14<sup>th</sup> July, 2014 and 5<sup>th</sup> October, 2015 and the associated discussions relating to safety issues. It was noted that the Community Council does not have authority to permit interim / ad hoc arrangements for supervised breach of the one way systems, nor is it possible to enforce the regulations unless there is a police officer on duty who observes a breach. It was agreed that:

- i.** Residents / Clerk should continue to report incidents to the police.
- ii.** Police should be invited to attend a meeting of the Community Council to review the position in the context of a general review of police services to the village.
- iii.** County Council to be reminded of the need to widen the corner opposite the cemetery.
- iv.** Dale Field Studies Centre to be asked to ensure that their customers refrain from using coaches that cannot exit the village legally.

**Action: Clerk to make necessary arrangements and confirm to next meeting.**

- b. **Sewerage smells** – the meeting noted the report of Dwr Cymru Welsh Water (DCWW) dated 6<sup>th</sup> November, 2015 for the month of October, 2015 and that DCWW have been active at the site during the last month including installation of external well covers and routine inspection of the aeration tanks (which caused a release of odour). There are frequent tanker visits, often at about 0600hrs and the Clerk was asked to seek clarification and a rescheduling of the tanker visits now that the restaurants have closed for the winter.

**Action:** Clerk to contact DCWW and report to next meeting.

**Works 19<sup>th</sup> November, 2015 – stinks warning** – it was noted that DCWW plan to pump out and carry out maintenance of the aeration tanks on 19<sup>th</sup> November, 2015 and that DCWW report that there is likely to be a stink associated with this work. DCWW have been asked to warn neighbouring properties.

**Action:** Clerk to remind DCWW and confirm to next meeting

**Review meeting** - it was noted that DCWW have reported that they are ready to attend a meeting of the Community Council to discuss the outcome of their review of the operation of the plant during 2015 and it was agreed that they should be invited to attend the meeting of the Community Council on 11<sup>th</sup> January, 2016.

**Action:** Clerk to invite DCWW and confirm to next meeting.

- c. **Flood gate issues /DRAFT notice / NRW event 5-11-2015** – it was noted that the flood gates had been deployed on 2<sup>nd</sup> November and for the following days (except 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 2015 – benign weather forecast) but opened at day time between high tides to accommodate users of the slipway. No damage to property had been reported, but it was noted that the very high tides had washed up seaweed and stones at the top of the slipway which are beginning to threaten the operation of the gate. Messrs Reynolds and Truelove agreed to shift the debris away from the gates to ensure that they can be operated easily.

**Action:** Messrs Reynolds and Truelove to arrange and confirm to next meeting.

**Notice** – the DRAFT Notice was noted and agreed (subject to some cosmetic improvement) and the Clerks were asked to get plastic signs made up and affixed to the gates.

**Action:** Clerk / Deputy Clerk to obtain / affix plastic signs and report to next meeting.

**NRW event in Swansea 5<sup>th</sup> November, 2015** – Mr Morgan and the Clerk reported that they had attended this event and that they will make a full report to a later meeting (when they have had the opportunity to study the papers from the conference / speakers).

**Action:** Mr Morgan / Clerk to report to a later meeting.

**Floods 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2015** – the increased passage of water down Drift Hill and Fort Road was noted. The Clerk has reported the problem to the County Council but has received no response. He was asked to remind the County Council.

**Action: Clerk to remind County Council and report to next meeting.**

- d. Village maintenance issues** – it was noted that the “Walk the Village Event” had been scheduled for 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2015 but it was agreed to change the date to Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup> November at 1400hrs meeting at the slipway. The Clerk was asked to invite the Castle Estate to attend.

**Action: Clerk to invite Castle Estate.  
ALL to attend “Event” on 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2015.**

**Mowing** – it was noted that the Clerk has asked the County Council to ensure that the first cut is done early in 2016 to accommodate the early Easter. The Clerk was asked to remind the County Council nearer the time.

**Action: Clerk to remind the County Council.**

- e. Car Park issues** – it was noted that the County Council officers have agreed to attend a meeting at the car park and the Clerk was asked to arrange the meeting for 26<sup>th</sup> November, 2015 at 1100hrs at the car park. All Community Councillors were asked to attend if possible.

**Action: Clerk to finalise meeting arrangement.  
ALL to attend.**

- f. Beach / pontoon issues** – it was noted that the County Council officer has agreed to attend a review meeting and the Clerk was asked to arrange a meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2015 – either before or after the meeting with the Car Park Officers.

**Action: Clerk to arrange meeting with PCC officer.**

- g. Benches** – it was noted that the Deputy Chairman has undertaken to review options / designs. The review continues and a report will be made to a later meeting.

**Action: Deputy Chairman to report to a later meeting.**

- h. The Gann –bait digging** – it was noted that the Clerk has passed on the Natural Resources Wales call for volunteer helpers

- i. Milford Haven DRAFT Recreation Plan 2015** – it was noted the Deputy Clerk has responded to the DRAFT plan on behalf of the Community Council and that he has passed copies to concerned businesses – at least one of whom has responded to MHPA.

- j. Fence at Meadow Vale** – the damage has been reported to the Castle Estate. It was agreed that this item can be discussed at the Walk the Village Event on 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2015.

- k. **Storage box issues** – it was noted that the Yacht Club have confirmed that they will undertake repairs in the spring of 2016.

**Action:** Clerk to monitor and report to a later meeting.

- l. **Christmas lights** – it was noted that the Clerk has asked the County Council for permission to use their street lights as a source of electricity for the Christmas lights. There has been no response.
- m. **Signage / street lights** – it was noted that the County Council has done the repairs.

**5. County Council issues** – this item was deferred.

**6. Planning matters.**

- a. **Play area, Dale NP/15/0394/FUL** – it was noted that PCNPA have agreed the requested change of use.
- b. **81 Blue Anchor Way, Dale NP/15/0540/FUL** – it was noted that following a site meeting the Clerk had been instructed to respond to PCNPA that there is no objection to the proposed development. Mr and Mrs Kerrigan took the opportunity to express their concerns as to the size of the proposed development adjacent to their property and to the depth of excavation that will be required (a safety issue). It was noted that an objection has been raised by them with PCNPA, but that the date for responding to the consultation has passed and that safety issues do not form part of the planning process. [Mr and Mrs Kerrigan left the meeting after this item which was taken out of order in order to accommodate them].
- c. **Eaton Hall, Dale NP/15/0426/LBA** – it was noted that PCNPA have agreed to the proposed development and that they have indicated that there is no intention of undertaking enforcement action in respect of the retrospective nature of the application.
- d. **Other - Mast, Dale Airfield** – the Clerk was asked to enquire why the application had been withdrawn.

**Action:** Clerk to enquire and report to next meeting.

- e. **Other – Local Development Plan Allocations** – it was noted that the PCNPA quarterly report shows no change in the allocations in Dale.

**7. Finance.**

a. **Receipts – NIL**

**Payments**      **£96.00** – Auditors’ fees (Minutes 5-10-2015 item 8(f)(i))  
                         **£150.00** – Christmas equipment (Minutes 5-10-2015 item 8(f)(iii)).

It was noted that at their last meeting the Community Council agreed to make a payment of £75.00 to RBL for a poppy wreath – Minutes 5-10-2015 item 8(f)(ii). This payment will be made shortly.

**Action:** Clerk to arrange payment and confirm to next meeting.

- b. **Balance - £1,154(approx)** – NB following payment to RBL this balance will be further reduced to £1,079 (approx).

- c. **Budget – spending proposals** – the meeting reviewed the budget for the year 2015 / 16 and noted that no payment had been made for fireworks and that the budget is on course to show a surplus of about £185.00). The Deputy Clerk was asked to prepare Budget proposals for the financial year 2016 / 2017 and report to the next meeting.

**Action: Deputy Clerk to prepare budget proposals and report to next meeting.**

- d. **Bank Accounts – signing authorities** – it was agreed that arrangements should be made to add the Deputy Clerk to the list of signing authorities with the Community Council bank account.

**Action Clerk to arrange and confirm to next meeting.**

**8. Correspondence – NIL**

**9. Any Other Business.**

- a. **Dale Fort FSC** – it was noted that there are reports that the FSC will be closing for four months from the end of November, 2015 and that when the Centre reopens there will be staff cuts.

**10. DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS**

**MONDAY, 14<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2015.**

**AT**

**THE JUBILEE SUITE, DALE**

**AT**

**1900hrs**

**MONDAY, 11<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2016**

**AT**

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## DOCUMENTS