

DALE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT DALE IN THE JUBILEE SUITE ON MONDAY 8TH JULY 2019, AT 7PM.

Present.

Lyn Jones Chair (LJ), Paul Garnish (PG), Jane Warr (JW), Cllr Reg Owens (RO), Wendy Kehoe Clerk, RFO (WK).

1. Apologies.

Mark Reynolds. Andy Truelove. Peter Morgan.

2. Members of the Public.

David Astins, Community Champion Co-ordinator, Sue Burton, Pembrokeshire Marine SAC Officer,

Jess Hooper, Marine Energy Wales, Richard Unsworth, Swansea University Sea Grass researcher and Swansea student researcher.

3. Declaration of Interest.

No Declarations.

4. Minutes of previous Meeting.

The Minutes were signed by Lyn Jones as a true record of the Meeting held on Monday 13th May 2019.

5. Matters arising.

There were no matters arising.

6. Standing Orders.

The Standing Orders were ready for the Dale Community Council to adopt. Lyn Jones, (Chair) agreed to sign the Standing Orders (DONE).

7. Community Delivery Project.

David Astins explained and discussed the 'Community Delivery Project.' Mr Astins told the Council that due to budgetary constraints, Dale Community Council will be asked to take over the responsibility of certain services currently being undertaken by PCC. To be taken over by 2021. Mainly grass cutting on certain areas of the village, which has already been reduced, and the responsibility for the public toilets. The annual cost to run the toilets is £7,000, which is far more than the CC precept. Mr Astins had not yet been able to find out who owned the toilet building. The Council were concerned about the money needed to take responsibility for the toilets. Dale has a small number of permanent residents who would have to pick-up the cost.

Action. To discuss at the next meeting. Reg Owens to write to Paul Miller.

8. Sea Grass Regeneration.

Richard Unsworth explained the work that Swansea University and Marine Energy Wales were doing on the sea bed in Dale. They are hoping to restore the marine habitat for sea grass (eel grass) in Dale. They emphasised the benefits that the grass gave in cleaning the waters, as it traps carbon. The group explained that having a sea grass meadow would bring a higher growth of whiting, herring, and pollock. They explained that hessian bags full of seeds would be placed on the sea bed, while respecting the needs of the fishermen, and boat owners in Dale. They would like to begin the trial this Autumn / Winter, and have already had discussions with a local fisherman and the Dale Yacht Club. The sea bed near Dale Fort and Frenchman's steps had been identified as a potential trial area of around 2 hectares. The Council were concerned about the impact this project could have on the fishermen, and boat owners, and wanted to have more discussion with other members of the village to hear their concerns. The Council raised their concerns and hoped to have a few more meetings and discussions about the project with Marine Energy Wales and Swansea University.

9. Financial Report.

Clerk confirmed that the Mandate had been updated, past signatories had been removed and the Clerk was recognised as the third signatory. Bank statements would now be sent to the Clerk.

Balance to date on the current account was £2,000.57

Balance to date on the business account was £751.82

Payments were agreed to be made to the

Coronation Hall £500

Cemetery Grant £500

Peninsular Papers £100

Village notice board £200

The Coronation Hall Committee asked for the Community Council to pay a significant amount towards the cost of the new village notice board. The Council agreed to pay half the cost amounting to £200.

10. Highways.

Councillors Lyn Jones, Peter Morgan and Jane Warr had a site meeting with Ben Blake from the highways department PCC. Ben Blake was to arrange a 'Pedestrians in Road' sign at both ends of the Pickleridge/ Black Rock stretch of road. Also a 'Slow' on the road. We said that we would have to contact Emrys Llewellyn about more frequent verge cutting, and Ray Greenwood about widening sections of the road for a footpath **Action.** Clerk to write to Emrys Llewellyn and Ray Greenwood.

11. **Marloes/ Dale Footpath.** Signs for the new Marloes/ Dale footpath had already been placed in relevant sites throughout Dale Village. Quite a few groups have been walking across the meadow using the routes highlighted by the new signs.

12. Dog Fouling.

The Council agreed for there to be signs placed on the bins at Pickleridge informing dog walkers that they were able to dispose of their dog faeces in the bins that were already there.

Action. Clerk to request signs from P.C.C

13. Brook Cottage.

Rob Scourfield had had a lot of people contacting him in relation to Brook Cottage. Although no complaints had been made there were concerns raised as to the perceived slow progress etc. Rob had assured people that National Parks had been in regular contact to date and that outstanding issues are to be addressed. Brook Cottage was now able to rebuild the chimneys and put lintels up above the windows.

14. Council Training.

The Council were in favour of asking Claire Jones from P.C.C to come to the Coronation Hall to give Council members monitoring training. Dale Community Council also wanted to invite Council members from both Marloes and St Ishmaels.

Action. Clerk to inform Marloes, St Ishmaels Herbrandston, and Walwyns Castle of the training for Councillors.

15. County Council Matters.

Reg Owens discussed the situation told the Council that there was a new Cabinet member for Education and that Sir Thomas Picton School was to be demolished and a new School built, Milford Haven School was to be upgraded.

16. Correspondence.

A planning Application for Dale Hill campsite had been received. The Council agreed that this was a valid application and would like to inform the Pembrokeshire national park of the Councils positive support for this application.

Action. Clerk to email National Parks.

17. Date of the next meeting.

Date of the next Dale Community Council meeting to be held on Monday 9th September, at 7pm, in the Jubilee Suite, Coronation hall Dale.