

## **Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Pendine Community Council held on Tuesday 10th September 2017 at the Museum of Speed Pendine.**

Present: Cllrs. P. Owen, M. Potter, A. Leefe  
Clerk Chris Delaney

### **1 Election of Chair**

Members were informed that both Cllrs. Bowering and Thornton had resigned and therefore the council no longer had a Chair or Vice –Chair. Cllr. Owen was elected Chair for the meeting and it was agreed that the Chair and Vice- Chair would be elected at the November meeting when the two new members were present.

The Chair invited members of the public to speak.

A large group of the public were present. Anthony Roberts made a brief presentation regarding the motorcycle event planned for 29<sup>th</sup> October. Final details were agreed and Mr. Roberts would liaise with the Beach Warden. There was some concern regarding the footpath leading up the cliff from the Point. The hand rails were dangerous and the clerk agreed to contact the CCC Right of Way team to ask them to replace or repair them.

Several members of the public were concerned about the vehicle restrictions put in place by CCC on the access routes to Morfa Bychan in an attempt to prevent wild camping and other events. They felt that this was unfair to people who wanted legitimate access. Others felt that this was a solution that should be at least tried. It was generally agreed that something needed to be done but there were differences of opinion regarding a solution or solutions. The Chair reminded the public that there would be further public consultation in February 2018. It was generally agreed that the area needed to be better managed and the clerk offered to contact the National Trust one of the principle landowners.

1a **Apologies** – C. Cllr J. Tremlett

2 **Disclosures of personal interest**

a. There were none.

3 **Minutes**

a) Approval of minutes of last meeting

Members approved the minutes of the meeting held on 06/09/2017 as a true record.

b) Matters Arising

06/09/2017

6b) The clerk informed members that nobody had been present at the National Grid meeting. However it was understood that the repairs and maintenance to the network of overhead lines and pylons might be disruptive to the community and there could be traffic delays when work

near roads was carried out. The NG had set up a small grant fund and community organisations were encouraged to apply.

4 **Accounts for payment and note of income received**

1170	CJD Salary September	£ 225.48
1171	CJD Office Costs September	£ 20.00
1172	WFR beach warden salary Sept.	£ 749.34
1173	MR parking Att. Salary Sept	£ 208.62
1174	JR parking Att. Salary Sept	£ 195.16
1175	CS parking Att. Salary Sept	£ 159.75
1176	HMRC	£ 431.05

**Total** **£ 1989.40**

**Income**

VAT Claim	£ 830.32
Fees	£ 1050.00
Booklets	£ 330.00
Parking	£ 470.00

**Total Income** **£ 2680.32**

**Current balances at 30/09/2017**

<b>Current Acc.</b>	<b>£ 12471.50</b>
<b>Reserve Acc</b>	<b>£ 10918.99</b>
<b>Reserve Acc 2</b>	<b>£ 555.96</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 23946.45</b>

5 **Policy Issues**

a) **Planning**

There were no planning matters.

b) **Pendine Developments**

The clerk had been informed by Carmarthenshire CC that they were still involved in final discussions with Welsh Government regarding funding for the proposed new developments on the museum and car park sites. Officers were now expecting a positive announcement before the end of October. Members were concerned that the project should include a space for community use and the clerk was asked to convey this to the CCC officers concerned.

**c) Beach Management Issues**

Members briefly discussed the last event of the season, which would be taking place at the end of October.

**d) Community Matters**

Following on from the comments made by the public at the start of the meeting concerning access to Morfa Bychan, members agreed that there something had to be done to deal with the issue. It was resolved that the council recognised that there was a problem and solutions were required to deal with it. It was agreed that the trial period for the traffic restrictions would be supported. There was clearly a need for further discussion between key stakeholders and further public discussion to find a satisfactory solution that would work.

It was reported that the stop logs had been replaced by the grass contractor as high tides were now expected.

Arrangements for Christmas were discussed and the clerk was asked to order a tree and discuss the installation of the lights and motifs with the electrician. There would not be a fireworks display this year in Pendine. Members agreed to support the Llandmiloe display. The clerk was asked to contact the organisers to discuss a potential grant.

**e) Financial Report**

The clerk presented a full 6 month budget monitoring report on the accounts for 2017/18. These were healthy and there were no significant issues. Members received them.

**f) Cooption to Council**

The clerk informed members that four people had put their names forward for co-option to the council by the closing date. Following the recent resignations there were now four vacancies. However the two new vacancies could not be filled immediately as due process and procedure would need to be followed. Members considered the four applications and agreed unanimously to co-opt Mr. Paul Bowring and Mr. Darrin Thomas to the council. It was further agreed that the names of the two other applicants would go forward for consideration when the two new vacancies were considered later in the year.

**6 For Information**

**a) Reports on Groups and Meetings**

There had been no meetings.

**b) Clerk's Report**

The clerk informed members that he had received correspondence from the Post Office regarding the "temporary Closure of the Pendine Post Office". To date no interest or formal applications to run a post office had been received but attempts were still being made to find a business in the community to manage a post office. The clerk reported on possible county council ward boundary changes being considered by the Boundary Commission and a review of community councils in Wales.

**c) County Councillor's Report**

Cllr. Tremlett had apologised.

**d) Other Matters**

1. The clerk was asked to place the formation of sub-committees on the agenda for November meeting.
2. Members discussed the recent resignations of Cllrs. Peter Bowering and Jeff Thornton. It was unanimously agreed that they had served the community extremely well for many years and members were grateful for their significant contribution to the council and community. The clerk was asked to write to them thanking them for their service and contribution to community life.

The meeting closed at 9.10pm