

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Pendine Community Council held on Wednesday 9th April 2014 at the Museum of Speed, Pendine.

Present: Chair P. Bowering, Cllrs. P. Bowering, J Thornton, P. Darbyshire, G. Aitken, D. Allen

Clerk Chris Delaney

1 Apologies –Cllrs S. Morris & C.Cllr J. Tremlett

2 Disclosures of personal interest

a. Public

Members of the public were present.

No disclosures.

3 a) Approval of the Minutes of the last Ordinary Meeting – 12/03/14

The Minutes were agreed and approved as a true record.

b) Matters Arising

08/01/14

6b) The clerk informed members that Seaside Essentials had decided not to take up a franchise with the council for hiring canoes and deck chairs for the beach.

12/02/14

6d) The clerk informed members that he had been in contact with CCC officers again regarding the depth of water in the scrapes (ditches). Cllr. Thornton had also discussed the matter with CCC and it appeared that the present solution, however unsatisfactory, was the only one available.

12/03/14

5e) The clerk informed members that a replacement commemorative plaque had been ordered.

6d) The issue of the need for “pull ins” on the Red Roses road had been passed on to C.Cllr. Tremlett.

The clerk reported that he had looked into the issue of responsibility for the provision of burial grounds and it was particularly complex. The community council had powers to assist in the provision and maintenance of cemeteries, but was not responsible for their initial provision. In the short term members needed to identify a potential area that in future could be used for burials.

Once this had been identified, the council could enter into discussions with the church and CCC regarding acquisition.

4 Accounts for payment and note of income received

Payments

751	CJD salary March	£	223.65
752	Office Costs March	£	20.00
753	JAG Salary March	£	516.70
754	HMRC	£	147.00

755	Harries factors	£	59.72
756	R. Thomas Grass	£	342.00
757	B. Howells Digger for beach	£	150.00
758	P. Bowering Expenses	£	20.03

Total £ **1479.10**

Income

Current balances at 31st March 2014

Current	£	4386.88
Reserve	£	10116.56
Gratuity	£	553.05
Total funds	£	15056.49

5. Policy issues

(a) Planning

There were no planning matters.

b) Pendine Developments

Members discussed the issue of the proposed aire or overnight motor home site. It was agreed to proceed with a site that could be licensed by the Caravan Club not to go for a bigger site requiring planning permission.

c) Beach management

Members discussed the arrangements for this season and it was agreed that parking would start at the Easter weekend provided the weather was suitable. The clerk would arrange for a quote for new lines to be painted on the car park.

d) Events 2014

The clerk circulated the updated event schedule for 2014. Members discussed the Alternative World Games taking place on the beach in August. The organisers were looking for more details and there was a need to liaise with others in the community that might help on the day. It was hoped that some community organisations would take over particular events and businesses might sponsor some events in kind. This matter would be discussed in full at the next meeting. It was agreed that provided suitable ones could be sourced easily the council would buy Zorb balls for the event.

e) Planting Scheme

Members discussed a scheme to install planters in Pendine particularly at the entrances and to consider planting trees and shrubs on areas of land owned by the council. The clerk was asked to discuss this with a local gardening company and devise a scheme that could be implemented over several years. It was felt that if a scheme was developed grants might be available.

6 For information

(a) Reports on Groups and Meetings

Several members had met with the Tourism Manager of Carmarthenshire CC. It was a very productive meeting and he would discuss with his colleagues better signage, promotion of our events, the website and the production of a leaflet.

(b) Clerk's Report

The clerk updated members correspondence received. He agreed that it was critical to get the website fully functional by the end of May. A beach clean was discussed and the Probation Service would be approached again. Members discussed the proposal of the county council to improve the beach armouring and agreed on balance to support the scheme.

(c) County Councillor's Report

Council Tremlett had apologised

(d) Other Matters

The Chair provided members with further details of the proposed war memorial and it was agreed that the chair could place the order. Members were informed that the Beach Warden had spare keys for the bollards. Other keys were held by authorised users and the emergency services.

7 The meeting closed at 8.30 pm