

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Pendine Community Council held on Wednesday 10th April 2013 at The Museum of Speed, Pendine.

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

C.Cllr. J. Tremlett

Clerk Chris Delaney

1 Apologies – S. Morris, P. Bowering

In the absence of the Chair, Cllr. Bowering chaired the meeting

a. Public

A member of the public was present, who asked a question regarding emptying of the rubbish bin in the play area.

b. The Beach Warden was not present but had reported to the clerk that there were no significant issues.

2 Disclosures of personal interest

c. None

3 a) Approval of the Minutes of the last Ordinary Meeting – 13/03/13

The Minutes were agreed and approved as a true record.

b) Matters Arising

13/02/13

5b) The clerk reported that he had heard nothing further from the Director of Technical Services for CCC regarding the public toilets issue. A further meeting of the joint group of councils opposed to the closure/transfer was scheduled for the 10th May. CClr. Tremlett asked if local CCC members could be invited.

6b) The clerk reported that the Beach Warden had undertaken a local beach clean and he was in discussion with the probation service regarding a major beach clean. Members reported that a considerable number of dead “worms” had been washed up on the beach. These were rotting and a highly unpleasant smell hung over the area. Natural Resources Wales had been informed.

13/03/13

4. Members approved the amended financial arrangements which had been circulated.

5d The clerk informed members that he had written to the organisations involved to ask that the council was kept informed of their scheduled events at Pendine.

5e The clerk had received a quote for 3ft pot grown Christmas trees at £29 each. Members agreed to buy ten.

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

Payments

635	CJD salary March	£	165.06
636	Office Costs March	£	20.00
637	JAG Salary March	£	481.23
638	HMRC	£	161.00
639	Carm. CC Election costs	£	309.37
640	P. Brace Bollard	£	225.00
641	Scottish Power	£	67.43
642	RNLI	£	400.00
643	Chair's Allowance	£	500.00
644	Grass cutting	£	300.00
645	JAG misc expenses	£	5.99

Total £ **2635.08**

Income

Misc	£	405.00
Book sales	£	627.00

Total £ 1032.00

Current balances at 28th March 2013

Current	£	4327.47
Reserve	£	9970.83
Gratuity	£	548.37
Total funds	£	14846.67

5. **Policy issues**

(a) Planning

There were no planning matters.

b) Pendine Developments

The clerk reported that he had received correspondence from CCC regarding the promenade development. There were issues with the concrete and completion was now scheduled for the second week in May.

The clerk reported that he had researched the issues surrounding a proposal to use the site of the former Parry Thomas Hall for camping during the season. A paper had been circulated to members summarising the regulations and options involved. Legislation allowed a landowner up to 28 days a year to have a campsite for tents on their land without any permissions. This meant

for example the area could be used for basic camping for events and activities without any capital investment. Similarly for the public, but people did expect facilities and unless there was some investment such as drinking water, waste disposal or portable toilets, it was not likely to be used. Another option was to partner the Caravan and Camping Club, which avoided the need for planning permission, but a certain level of service provision was required. The council would need to invest some resources. Another simple option was to use the site as an overflow site in partnership with an existing business. Looking at the standards in terms of space, the site might only accommodate 10 pitches. Members expressed concerns about the business viability of the project. The clerk was asked to look at costs for the next meeting.

c) Beach Management

Members discussed beach parking in light of the promenade development. It was felt that this was unlikely in the short term because of the delays, but the aim should be the Spring Bank Holiday weekend. The clerk informed members, that due to changes in the standards, a Blue Flag Award was unlikely and the council should aim for a Seaside Award instead for 2014. Members agreed in principle and the clerk was asked to agenda this for the next meeting.

d) Event Management

The clerk updated members on potential events for 2013, which were looking promising and exciting. He informed members that he had received correspondence from the organisation operating beach races at Weston Super Mare, who were keen to explore the possibility of a similar event at Pendine in 2014. A meeting to discuss this was planned for later in the year.

6 For information

(a) Reports on Groups and Meetings

There was nothing further to report

(b) Clerk's Report

The clerk reported on correspondence. CCC had sent out a paper regarding "Working relationships between community councillors and the local county councillor". Members agreed that their relationship with Cllr. Tremlett already met the recommendations of the paper and thanked her for attending the meetings and her contributions. One Voice Wales, the umbrella organisation for community council had offered a 50% joining discount to councils who were not members. The clerk was asked to place this on the agenda for the next meeting and the development of the web site. The clerk also noted that he had received further correspondence regarding the state of the small pedestrian slip. This had been passed on to CCC.

(c) County Councillor's Report

County Councillor Jane Tremlett had nothing further to add.

(d) Other Matters

1. The chair had received correspondence from Mr. J.A. Pugh representing the British Legion regarding a donation to the proposed a

Welsh memorial in Flanders Campaign. The clerk was asked to agenda this for the next meeting.

2. Additional storm boards were required and Cllr Bowering agreed to look into this.

7 The meeting closed at 8.20 pm