

PENDINE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING

17th January 2023

Present: A Shaw (Chair), C Thomas-Iles (Vice-Chair)

Councillors: S Bruce-Goodwin, C Davies, H Thomas, S Rundle, I Comey

Clerk: A Moody

Meeting held at the Outdoor Education Centre: 7pm – 9pm

1. Apologies for absence
None
2. Declarations of personal interest
None
3. To sign as correct the minutes of meeting held on the 20th December
Minutes proposed by S Bruce-Goodwin and seconded by A Shaw. It was unanimously agreed to approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 20th December 2022.
4. Joint Venture Update
S Bruce-Goodwin, gave a power point presentation to the councillors and attending public. The presentation outlined the proposed joint purchase of the slipway and top carpark by CCC and PCC from the MOD on a 80:20 split. With CCC putting in £104,000 and PCC putting in £26,000. PCC would be given 20% of the takings from the top carpark by CCC. The presentation also looked at the motorhome park which is close to completion.
There was a discussion following the presentation. Some people wanted to know why PCC could not purchase the slipway and top carpark on their own as it is viewed as a village asset by the community. Due to the historic nature of the relationship between Pendine and the MOD and the foreshore that Pendine sacrificed to the MOD many people thought it should have been offered to PCC at a nominal cost.
It was explained that this is a new council, and we did not know what had happened earlier in the process, but that PCC did not have £130,000 to purchase the slipway and top carpark outright.
J Wright questioned why the community hall had been demolished and no replacement hall had been built in it's place, he also expressed dissatisfaction that the motorhome park had been built without any consultation with the village.

It was stated that the old community hall was in such a bad state of repair that it needed to be removed, planning would not be granted for a new community hall due to the nature of the land and the increasing likelihood of flooding going forward.

P Williams asked about the status of the dingle and the activity happening on the site. PCC responded that we are looking into the land ownership of the dingle and are aware of the issue and will update further in future meets as we progress the issue.

Although there was dissatisfaction with what had happened, people understood that nothing could be done about what had happened in the past and PCC was generally moving in the right direction with negotiations. PCC agreed to proceed with the understanding that nothing would be finalised without further consultation with the village.

5. Precept

After a discussion it was unanimously agreed to freeze the precept at the same level as 2022/23. Which equates to £45 for a band D property.

6. Carmarthenshire County Council Budget Consultation

Informed the meeting that the CCC budget consultation needs to be complete by 29th January. Proposals include closing the Outdoor Education Centre

7. Planning Matters

None

8. Recognition & Thanks

Chair thanked all the public who had come along to the meeting, listened, and shared their views. PCC appreciates their ongoing input.

Chair thanked all the councillors for all the work they have been putting in with the many ongoing projects and the steep learning curve.

Sara for her amazing presentation, which was a lot of work and was very informative.

Shane Swale for all the work he's been doing supporting the council.

Everyone who has filled in a slip to register as a volunteer for PCC, we will always welcome everyone who would like to be involved with sub committees, working groups and volunteering in the village.

9. Any other business

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 21st February