Minutes of the Virtual Ordinary Meeting of Pendine Community Council held on Wednesday 9th September 2020 at 6.00pm, online.

Present: Chair J. Lipman

Councillors: P. Owen, J. Owen, P. Bowring, D. Thomas and S. Mills

County Councillor J. Tremlett Clerk Chris Delaney

1. Apologies

There were no apologies.

[Note: Cllr Bowring left the meeting at this point].

2. Disclosures of personal interest

No declarations of personal interest were raised.

3. Chairman's invitation to the public to address the meeting

No communications had been received from the public for this meeting.

4. Approval of the Minutes

a) The minutes of the meeting held on the 8th July 2020 were approved as a true record and would be signed by the Chair at a later date.

b) Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

5. Report of the County Councillor J. Tremlett

- Cllr. Tremlett brought members up to date regarding the outbreak of the virus in Drefach, Llanelli. 14 cases had been confirmed related to an event held in the locality.
- Members raised the issue of regular grass cutting along the verges adjacent to the main road into Pendine. This had been cut several times by the community council's contractor during Lock Down. The county council team had been in isolation for the period and were now back working. Cllr. Tremlett would make enquiries, regarding the rest of the season.
- The issue of Morfa Bychan was raised again. It was agreed that a site visit with all parties was required and the clerk was asked to pass on details of the National Trust who were responsible for managing Morfa Bychan.

6. Accounts for payment and note of income received

1458	CJD salary August	£	416.00
1459	CJD office costs August	£	20.00
1460	Beach Officer	£	1377.74
1461	Beach Officer	£	540.86
1462	Beach Officer	£	303.80
1463	Beach Officer	£	736.83
1464	Beach Officer	£	823.94
1465	HMRC	£	1132.12
1466	HMRC	£	200.00

1467	Translation	£	12.53
1468	Land Registry	£	29.94
1469	Nexbyte	£	840.00

Total £ 6433.76

Income

Ice Cream	£	2450.00
Precept	£	1594.90
Parking fees	£	2833.84

Total Income £ 16878.74

Current balances at 31/08/2020

Current Acc.	£	19982.80
Reserve Acc	£	6311.29
Reserve Acc 2	£	558.07

Total £ 26752.16

Members expressed their thanks to all the staff who had worked to make the season successful despite the problems caused by the pandemic.

7 Policy Issues

a) Planning

None

b) Pendine Developments

Members were updated on the museum and hotel scheme which was now progressing well. A large part of the new car park had opened and had taken the pressure off. Members were leased that the motorhome contract had been signed and the project had started.

c) Beach Matters

The main issue was the beach vehicle which needed a new torque convertor at a cost of £1000 approximately. Unfortunately, due to the COVID issue there were no spares available in the UK and dealers could not guarantee when they would come into the country. Members were grateful to Cllr. Thomas for the loan of his vehicle, for the summer.

The number of dogs on the beach was a matter of considerable concern and in particular dog excrement and dogs not under control. It was agreed that a working group would be established to look at options for controlling the problems some dog owners were causing. It was agreed that Cllrs. Thomas and Mills would be on the working party.

[Note: Cllr. Bowring re-joined the meeting at this point.]

The new bollards had arrived and the installation would be discussed at a later meeting.

d) Community Matters

A request for a grant had been received from Pendine AFC and members approved a grant of £250. The clerk was asked to suggest to the club that they applied to the community council where the Club's training location is situated in addition further grants were available for application from the Wind Farm Trust.

The Clerk reported that Members of the community wished to thank the Council and its contractors for replacing the stop logs prior to the recent very-high tides and placing new ropes on the flagpoles.

e) Budget Monitoring

The clerk gave members a brief update on the state of the council's finances. The first three months had seen a considerable drop in income, but since the beginning of July things had improved and at the end of August the balances were higher than the previous year. He informed members that he would be applying to a special fund established by Welsh Government to compensate community councils for a loss of income.

f) Website

Members reported that the new website would go live at the beginning of October. The working group were warmly thanked for their endeavours.

For Information

a) Clerk's Report

The clerk informed members that he had reviewed and amended the risk register as recommended by One Voice Wales to take into account of the temporary Acting Clerk and Acting RFO by two Council members. It was planned that the Clerk would hand over all documentation and data to the members concerned by the end of September.

The clerk informed members that the Beach Warden had written to him and would be retiring at the end of September.

b) Other Matters

There were no other matters

The meeting closed at 20.30