

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

Present: Chair P. Bowering, Cllrs. P. Darbyshire, D. Allen, G. Atkins

Clerk Chris Delaney

1 Apologies –Cllrs. P. Bowering, S. Morris, C.Cllr. J. Tremlett

a. Public

A member of the public was present who raised the issue of brambles growing from the hedge into the play area and the need for the bin to be emptied on a more regular basis.

b. The Beach Warden was not present but had provided the clerk with a written report and there were no significant issues.

2 Disclosures of personal interest

c. None

3 a) Approval of the Minutes of the last Ordinary Meeting – 12/06/13

The Minutes were agreed and approved as a true record.

b) Matters Arising

13/02/13

5b) The clerk reported that he had received correspondence from Simon Hart MP regarding the toilets issue. He had met the Chief Executive of CCC and he had confirmed that the east (museum) block would now remain open, but it was likely that the west block would stay closed. CCC was in discussions with Danfo regarding a long term cleaning contract.

08/05/13

5f) The clerk reported on further correspondence regarding the Welsh Government grant for community council web site development. The process had been streamlined and he made a claim for the £500 on offer.

12/06/13

1 The clerk reported that the pot hole in the car park had been filled and the grass cut. He was discussing with CCC the possibility of extending PCC's current contract for grass cutting to include this area. He also reported that he had received a solicitor's letter regarding a compensation claim from a person who had tripped in the pot hole. He had responded explaining that PCC were not the land owners or occupiers.

6d) The clerk reported that he had met a representative from Park Dean regarding the trees. He had agreed to cut back the trees as required but the bush blocking the roadway belonged to CCC.

4 Accounts for payment and note of income received

Payments

665 CJD salary June

£ 180.15

666	Office Costs June	£	20.00
667	JAG Salary June	£	486.50
668	WFR Salary June	£	164.76
669	WFR Expenses	£	19.20
670	HMRC	£	207.20
671	DS Salary June	£	43.33
672	DB Salary June	£	49.52
673	GW Salary June	£	125.35
674	JW Salary June	£	47.97
675	Road Tax	£	123.75
676	One Voice Wales	£	42.00
677	Grass Cutting	£	300.00
678	Internal Audit	£	100.00
679	JAG Expenses	£	50.00

Total £ **1959.73**

Income

General income including rental of PT Hall site £ 1190.89

Parking Fees £ 1275.03

Total Income £ **2465.92**

Current balances at 30th June 2013

Current £ **1314.89**

Reserve £ **11265.86**

Gratuity £ **549.53**

Total funds £ **13130.28**

5. Policy issues

(a) Planning

W/28485 New Building to house a community function hall with WCs and kitchen on the first floor. The ground floor will have new retail units and a cafe as well as new public WCs. The building will be located on the east toilet block (museum) site and involves the demolition of the toilets. While members were supportive of the project as a whole, particularly the community function room, they had concerns regarding the retail and catering units and the appearance of the building. While members appreciated that the project needed to be sustainable and have income streams, they were concerned that Pendine needed an attraction to generate visitors not additional retail and catering. The clerk was asked to write to CCC to express these views.

b) Pendine Developments

Members discussed the completion of the new promenade project. The feedback from the community had been excellent and the project was

described as “wonderful”. The clerk was asked to write to CCC on behalf of the council, thanking the officers concerned for all their efforts and commitment in sourcing funding, developing the project and taking it through to a successful completion.

Members expressed concern about the safety of the unprotected promenade edge immediately west of Barnacles. CCC had been unable to get approval from the owners of the stretch concerned to install a suitable barrier.

Members were informed that the ditches created as part of the Gateway Scheme, which had filled with water, would be filled in.

c) Beach Management

Members agreed to purchase a new notice board for the slip area to display information for visitors about the quality of the bathing water. This would in addition assist the council in achieving the Seaside Award status. The clerk was asked to approach CCC for assistance in funding this.

d) Event Management

Members discussed the three events in June. The Triathlon had been a great success despite issues caused by the weather and was likely now to be a regular event. There were no substantial issues with the lawnmower event. The motor cycle event on balance had been a great success, although there were several issues raised and discussed. Members were keen to develop these three events on an annual basis, but in future, the council needed to exercise greater control of the general arrangements.

Members were informed that the fun fair would return this year from 7th August and stay until the 24th August. The Chair and clerk had met with representatives of the Weston Super Mare Motorcycle Event and were very hopeful that a similar event would be held in Pendine in September 2014.

e) Annual Audit Return

The clerk reported that the annual accounts had been externally audited and there were no issues to report. The annual return was approved and the Chair and clerk were authorised to sign them off and return them to the external auditor for their final signature.

f) Annual Firework Display

Members had insufficient information to discuss this further.

6 For information

(a) Reports on Groups and Meetings

The Chair reported that he had attended the ceremony to open the new promenade and also the Flag raising ceremony on Armed Forces Day.

(b) Clerk's Report

The clerk reported on minor correspondence. In addition he had received an e

mail from a local resident regarding the accounts. This had been circulated to members and the clerk was asked to draft a response.

(c) County Councillor's Report

County Councillor Jane Tremlett had apologised and was not present because of a prior commitment

(d) Other Matters

1. It was agreed that now the promenade had been completed the parking spaces on the concrete car park should be redesigned as necessary and new lines painted.

7 The meeting closed at 8.45 pm