

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Penrice Community Council held on Wednesday 15th January 2014 at Horton Community Hall at 7.30pm

Members Present: Councillor M Barnett
Councillor M Williams
Councillor A Glass
Councillor J Ellis
Councillor G Roberts
Councillor J Bowen
Councillor B Richards
Councillor T Methuen-Campbell

Action

112/14 Apologies for Absence.

None

113/14 Declarations of Interest.

None

114/14 To confirm the minutes of the Meeting held 11th December 2013.

Cllr J Bowen proposed that the minutes were a true and accurate record of events, seconded Cllr G Roberts, carried unanimously.

115/14 Matters arising from the minutes.

Item 93/13

The tree on Oxwich Green - This is in progress.

Item 95/13

Poppy seeds / wildflower - Members discussed and decided to request the free poppy seeds. SC

Item 97/13

Grit bins – Cllr G Roberts had arranged a date for delivery and would be the responsible person for this.

Item 97/13

Pot holes – Cllr A Glass had written and still awaiting a response from the CCS. AG

Item 108/13

Planning Application no: 2013/1322 Land known as 'The Old Tennis Courts', Horton had recently been given planning permission by the CCS.

Some Members of the Community Council were extremely disappointed over the low number of City Councilors' that attended the site visit. No visual presentation was shown at the Area 2 Committee meeting so those Councillors who had not attended the site visit could not see the proximity and impact of the new properties on the surrounding homes.

Members were also concerned about the lack of discussion at the Area 2 Development Committee Meeting following the objections raised by Mrs Davies resident of 'Hilltop' and Mr Jones of 'The Haven' after their addresses to the Committee, or any of the other objections raised by the public, except by the Councillors who were in support of the objections.

This process that should be fair and democratic, especially when residents, whose lives are so affected by the decisions made by the Planning Committee, should be seen to have given due consideration to the neighbours' objections, Statutory Consultees' objections and the public's objections, which in this case did not happen.

115/14 Matters arising from the minutes cont...

Item 108/13 cont.....

Cllr G Roberts proposed that a letter to be sent to the Chief Executive and Leader of the CCS to advise of the concerns raised and to point out that the Area 2 Planning Committee did not represent the views of the Penrice Community Council or the parish of Horton, seconded Cllr B Richards carried unanimously.

116/14 Community Councils

OVWales minutes of recent meeting - Noted

117/14 Correspondence

1 CCS – Notification of Confirmation of Public Footpath Order. PR42 from Horton Beach to PR4 Horton. Previously discussed.
Council were advised that the Horton Steps had been damaged in the recent inclement weather and there was now a sudden drop.

118/14 Financial.

Clerk Salary and Expenses Information protected under the Data Protection Act
Proposed to pay Cllr G Roberts, seconded Cllr J Bowen, carried unanimously.

Frazer Bennett (cutting the Oxwich Green) £ 145.00
Website design (Indica Ltd) Grant funded £ 500.00
Proposed to pay Cllr M Barnett, seconded Cllr A Glass, carried unanimously.

Cllr M Barnett proposed to pay, seconded Cllr G Roberts carried unanimously.

119/14 Planning.

Application no 2013/1830 Greenways Leisure Park , Caravan Decking No Objection.

120/14 The PCC Website

Cllr J Ellis gave a verbal report on the progress of the website. Cllrs thought that the new website was excellent and now should be advertised.

Agenda the Community Project for February SC

121/14 Councillors Reports / Questions.

Cllr M Barnett had 4 keys cut for the Penrice Noticeboard. These were given to the Clerk, Cllr T Methuen-Campbell, The Chair and Cllr J Ellis.

The Chair has inspected the all the notice boards and the benches and reported to members.
The majority of notice boards have been replaced over the last few years and therefore were in good order.
A key is needed to be attached to the Horton lower board. GR

Paving slabs had been requested around the Little Reynoldston post box and it was also considered to replace the board at this location. Feedback had been received that this board is not used.

Following a discussion on the findings, Cllr M Williams proposed that the existing board be removed and if the local residents of Little Reynoldston request it back the PCC will consider replacing it, seconded Cllr A Glass. A vote was taken and 4 cllrs voted in favour, 1 cllr voted against and 1 cllr abstained, motion carried.

121/14 Councillors Reports / Questions. Cont.....

The Benches were in good condition in Horton Green, Slade Cross, Horton New Hill and Oxwich Green. There were a few that had undergrowth that needed removal, slats broken and the bench on Horton Old Hill both masonry supports needed rebuilding.

Cllr A Glass to work with the Chair and contact James Rutter to undertake the undergrowth clearance work, and Emrys Humpheries to quote for the replacement of the slats of the bench near Oxwich Church. AG/MB

Signage still underway and Cllrs G Robert and T Methuen-Campbell were working on the wording. Cllr G Roberts to price and look into also producing a sign replacement for Oxwich Green. TMC/ MW/ GR

Cllr A Glass reported; the road had been washed away in Oxwich by the Marquee at the Oxwich Bay Hotel. CCS have inspected the area and would hopefully resolve this problem. Noted.

Mr J Mumby had suggested the 'Old Village Well' as a community project. The Chair would look into this.
MB

122/14 Public Questions relating to the agenda. (limited to 10 minutes)

None

123/14 Date and venue of next meeting.

19th February 2014 Oxwich and Penrice Community Hall

Date _____ Chairman _____