

**Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Penrice Community Council held  
on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2016 Hall at Oxwich and Penrice Community Hall at 7.30pm**

**Members Present:**

Councillor M Williams (Chairman)  
Councillor A Glass  
Councillor G Roberts  
Councillor R Newman  
Councillor J Ellis  
Councillor M Barnett  
Councillor B Richards  
Councillor R Lewis

**116/16 Apologies for Absence.**

Cllr T Methuen-Campbell

**117/16 Declarations of Interest.**

Cllr A Glass declared a personal interest in an item to be discussed under Planning with a notification of an appeal for Woodlands, Oxwich due to being the owner of the property.

Cllr J Ellis declared a personal interest in an item on the Agenda relating to Shore Cottage, Horton, due to being the owner of the property.

**118/16 To approve the minutes of the meeting 10<sup>th</sup> February 2016**

**Amendment Item 113/16**

Insert : And to read the Charter Local Government and Bill forthcoming.

Amend : Local events, if aware of any in the area to notify and Cllr J Ellis will look into using this on Twitter.

Cllr R Lewis proposed that with the above amendments the minutes were a true and accurate record of events, seconded Cllr G Roberts carried unanimously.

**119/16 Matters arising from the minutes.**

**Item 107/16**

Cllr R Lewis reported; Mr Lawrie Grove, the Horton Lifeboat Site Manager had invited Cllr Lewis to have a look at the work that was now underway. Cllr Lewis stated that it was not right that the PCC had refused the RNLI permission to place drains outside on its land due to one manhole cover and that the cost of £5000 that was now being incurred by the RNLI charity was unnecessary. Cllr Lewis who had missed a couple of meetings was unaware of the full facts and the information that he had been given by Mr Grove of the RNLI was inaccurate. The fact that the oversight was made by the RNLI at the eleventh hour was explained to Cllr Lewis. It was also explained that the Council even though some members expressed concerns about manhole covers on an open space in an AONB, had agreed to allow the RNLI to put the drains on the additional bit of land, however this land had common status which would need permission prior to any work being completed. Also suggested by the PCC was the option to place the drains internally which even though would incur a cost would be much quicker and work could commence immediately. Members explained to Cllr Lewis that the RNLI had opted for the internal option as contractors were onsite and waiting to start the works.

It had been disappointing for all concerned who had worked hard to progress this fairly protracted sale, that these accusations were being made by representatives of the RNLI, because dealings with Mr Peter Guscott of the RNLI had been extremely amicable and productive at all stages.

Following a discussion it was resolved to send a letter of complaint to the RNLI Head Office at Poole SC

**119/16 Matters arising from the minutes cont....**

**Item 112/16**

Horton Notice Board – Keith Parker to have a look at the repair and give a cost. Deferred. AG

**Item 113/16**

Workplace pension information, deferred. GR

**Item 113/16**

Point of contact information sent and also Cllr J Ellis had joined the CCS Forum.

**120/16 Community Councils.**

Cllr J Ellis to attend the Sustainability Course OVW. Cost £35. JE

**121/16 Correspondence**

- 1 Bus timetables Noted.
- 2 A request had been sent by a lady requesting permission to release paper lanterns following a wedding at the Oxwich Bay Hotel. Cllr T Methuen-Campbell, owner of the Penrice Estate, who were the owners of the beach had declined permission for this. Council agreed that this should be declined as these lanterns were detrimental to the animals when they land and cause injury. The area is an AONB and SSI. Also the search and rescue organizations were also caused problems when they floated out to sea, due to being mistaken for flares. SC

**122/16 Financial**

The Clerks salary and expenses	£ 408.01
Frazer Bennett ( cutting of Oxwich Green)	£ 140.00
One Voice Wales ( membership)	£ 106.00

Proposed to pay Cllr G Roberts, seconded Cllr M Williams. Carried Unanimously.

**123/16 Planning**

Cllr A Glass declared a personal interest in Item A due to being the owner of the property.

Notification of Appeal  
Application no 2015/0990 Woodlands, Oxwich.

Council resolved to still support this application and comments were the same as previous. SC

**124/16 Horton and Penrice Notice Boards**

Penrice CC notice board, Cllr T Methuen Campbell offered to make good and presentable, but as yet not improved so defer item. TMC

Horton notice board is broken and now cannot be closed. Awaiting cost quotation. AG

**125/16 The Alignment of Public Footpath No. 35 – Communities Of Penrice And Ilston.**

Cllr M Barnett had walked the area surrounding the footpath and some of the boundary crossings were impassable. Local residents did not want it in its current location.

Cllr Barnett proposed that the Council agree to the re-alignment and advise the CCS of the PCC's support. SC

**126/16 Proposed Changes to a right of access over land owned by Shore Cottage.**

Cllr J Ellis declared a personal interest in this item due to being the owner of Shore Cottage.

Information had been circulated to members prior to the meeting for proper consideration.

Cllr J Ellis gave an overview of the situation and explained what was being requested to the Council. Cllr Ellis queried if a certificate would be needed. Cllr Ellis explained that she had complied with the restrictions placed upon her and that access over a part of the land was already in existence. The Land Registry would need a certificate.

At this point of the meeting Cllr J Ellis withdrew from the meeting.

The details of the request were discussed. Members agreed that they did not have a problem with what was being requested.

Following the discussion it was resolved that the Clerk to contact the Solicitor to see if a certificate was required, and any other necessary advice and costs to be covered by Cllr Ellis. Unanimous.

**127/16 Dwr Cymru / Welsh Water – current sewer repair works at Oxwich an update.**

Cllr A Glass reported: Work on the sewer at Oxwich had been slower than expected due to the exceptionally high water table. The Foreman had advised that some of the tarmac may be able to be dropped into the pot holes.

There had been a problem with sewage at the bus stop. A local resident had complained that the sewage in this area had splashed the children as they waited for the bus. This had now been resolved and the bus stop temporarily moved. It was pleasing that Welsh Water were getting there in awful conditions.

There had been some repairs on The Penny Hitch.

**128/16 Councillors Reports.**

Cllr R Newman reported: A tree had blown down near the Gower Inn, and this was dealt with quickly by the CCS.

**129/16 Date and venue of next meeting.**

The next meeting was 16<sup>th</sup> March 2016 at Horton Village Hall

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Chairman \_\_\_\_\_