

**MINUTES OF NOLTON AND ROCH COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**HELD ONLINE - DUE TO COVID 19 RESTRICTIONS**

**7 DECEMBER 2020**

**Members Present**

A. Peach, M. Canton, J. Gale, J. Hancock, M. Harries, D. Smith, D. Weale, Cllr. J. Adams

Clerk - A. Jones

1641 Apologies

R. Thomson

1642 Declaration of interest

1643 Minutes of the previous meeting dated 5 October 2020

Proposer M. Canton, seconded D. Smith

1644 Clerk's report on matters arising

- **Enhancing Pembrokeshire Grant** - as agreed previously, all agreed that looking into extending the play area may be the best way forward; outdoor gym equipment and exploring options for toddlers and teenagers as these were raised as project ideas in the Community Action Plan a couple of years ago. A Facebook poll is one way of assessing the needs of the community now. The current playground also needs the roundabout replacing, which may cost approximately £3k. Clerk has also enquired with Newport Town Council re cost of their skatepark and is waiting to hear back.
  - Action: M. Harries and Clerk to look at additional playground options for younger and older members of the community and cost options when the Victoria Hall Committee start meeting again.
- **Newgale road developments** - no update.
- **Nolton and Roch Community Land Trust** - D. Smith confirmed that he is looking at the Heads of Terms and what to include in the agreement with the housing association. He is engaging with Wessex on this.
- **Roch Motel junction - missing 'slow' on road** - J. Adams thought that the markings through the village had been remarked. He'll double check to see if the 'slow' is back.
  - Action: Cllr. J. Adams to follow-up.
- **Keep Wales Tidy: Local Places for Nature scheme** - Clerk confirmed that the fruits trees have arrived and that she will be planting them this week.
- **Updates from the Victoria Hall / Nolton Village Hall and Reading Room** - no further updates given COVID restrictions.
- **Speeding traffic coming down from Newgale into Nolton Haven** - Cllr. Adams has passed this information to PCC but no further update as yet.
- **No parkings signs in passing places on the Welsh Road** - Cllr. Adams has passed this information to PCC but no further update as yet.
- **Japanese knotweed in the green lake, Nolton** - no update.

1645 Planning

- **PCC planning proposal: Proposed dormer roof and rear extension to the existing bungalow. Site Address: 24, Grassholm Close, ROCH, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA62 6AL (Application No: 20/0635/PA)** - application sent to Planning Sub-committee between meetings. The following comment was sent to the Planning Support Team at PCC. The Councillors, although they do not object to the planning in principle, ask that any development is mindful of the impact on the privacy of neighbouring properties
- **PCNPA planning proposal: Change of use of farm building to create 4 holiday letting units and ancillary amenity building. Location: Trefrane Farm, Roch, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA62 6BE (Application No: NP/20/0485/FUL)** - application sent to Planning Sub-committee between meetings, no comments.
- **PCC planning proposal: Change of use and extension to farm outbuilding to create farm shop (farm diversification) Site Address: Nolton Cross Farm, NOLTON HAVEN, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA62 3NP. (Application No: 20/0689/PA)** - all agreed this will be a great asset to the community.
- **PCC planning decision: Proposal: Erection of a temporary rural enterprise workers dwelling, general purpose agricultural building and associated works. Site Address: Land at Cuffern, Near Roch, SA62 6HB. (Application No: 20/0033/PA).** Conditionally approved.
- **FYI an appeal has been made to the Planning Inspectorate following the refusal of planning permission by PCNPA for Pinch Cottage, Newgale, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA62 6BD. Proposed Development: Retention of partial timber cladding to existing cottage. Application Reference: NP/20/0169/FUL.**

1646 Finance

- **Section 137 Discretionary Expenditure Limit 2021-22** - the limit will be increased to £8.41 per elector.
- **Agree precept for 2020/2021** - all resolved to increase the precept in line with current Bank of England inflation rate.

1647 Correspondence

- **OVW webinar training email:** there are two free places available on each of the following training webinars:
  - Council as an Employer
  - Understanding the Law
  - Local Government Finance (Basic)
  - Local Government Finance (Advanced)

Councillors are to let the Clerk know if they would like to attend.
- **Pembrokeshire Digital Connections** - the Clerk provided details of this service which is providing residents with help to get on-line via the Community Hub
  - Action: Clerk to share the information poster with Councillors.
- **The Friends of Pembrokeshire Coast National Park email** - the Friends can help local communities to plan a woodland scheme, contribute to the cost of the trees and help plant a new piece of woodland – however modest in scale. This revamped fund is known as The Friends Tree and Hedgerow Fund. Something to be noted if we decide to develop the community garden further.
- **New 'fflecsi' bus service for Northwest Pembrokeshire** - the Clerk shared the link to the new service which is prebookable <https://www.fflecsi.wales/> and will share the information on the Facebook page.

- **Welsh Government email: Flooding and TAN 15 update** - the Flood Map is now available in draft form for all stakeholders to test and explore. Views on the presentation and usability of the new map are due Friday 8 January 2021. The Map has two versions – basic and detailed.

Basic:

<https://nrw.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=520dcca87a624c6ba1c628eb0c12b31e>

Detailed:

<https://nrw.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=41cb374d42a94c56bbccc25d7ba19623>

1648 Meetings attended by Councillors / forthcoming meetings

- None.

1649 Other items

- **Funding help for Roch Community School's Tree of Hope and Friends of Roch community festive bag initiative** - A. Peach gave an overview of the Friends festive efforts, which involved successfully securing a grant of £400 and purchasing and planting a tree outside the school called the 'Tree of Hope' for £150. The children have written some lovely messages of hope for the year ahead and hung them on the tree. The star and lights have been donated. As part of the grant the Friends are also hoping to distribute goody bags to members of the community who are alone and vulnerable based on an objective scoring system. A. Peach then asked whether NRCC would consider making a donation towards the tree and / or food bags, all agreed to cover the cost of the Tree of Hope as something which will hopefully become a feature of the community for years to come, with carols and mince pies.
  - Action: Clerk to contact the Friends of Roch treasurer and make the £150 donation towards the Tree.

1650 PCC report

- Cllr. J. Adams stated that things are quiet in the local area but he is looking at wider considerations - pushing for answers as to why the Chief Executive left and the appointment of the next and meetings to review council taxes.

1651 AOB

- Clerk will circulate the dates for next year's meetings over the next few weeks - Councillors should let the Clerk know if there are any dates they cannot make.

1652 Items for the next agenda

Meeting closed at 8.20pm

Next meeting: 1 February 2021

Signed

Chairman