

MINUTES OF NOLTON AND ROCH COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT NOLTON VILLAGE HALL AND READING ROOM

13 May 2024

Members present

R. Thomson (*Acting chair for the meeting*), M. Canton, M. Hammond, J. Gale and A. Peach.
Clerk – N. Neumann.

2062 Apologies

M. Harries, J. Hancock, A. Jones, and Cllr. P. Morgan.

2063 Declaration of interest

None declared.

2064 Minutes of the previous meeting dated 15 April 2024

Proposer R. Thomson and seconded by J. Gale.

2065 Clerk's report on matters arising

- **Nolton and Roch Community Land Trust (CLT)** – The following update from Dave Smith (Chairman of NRCLT) was read out: *“Progress has been slow while we awaited the soil analysis of Plot 5. But this has just landed and the result is grade 3b, which should remove a crucial potential barrier to obtaining planning permission. Having put our solicitor on hold while waiting for the analysis we shall soon restart work on the legal agreements. In the meantime we have been focussing on reconciling our Housing Needs Survey with data held by PCC. This is necessary to advise our proposed mix of house designs, especially the number of houses with 1,2 3 and/or 4 bedrooms. We are also continuing to work with ateb and PCC to agree our house allocation criteria.”*
- **Updates from the Victoria Hall / Nolton Village Hall and Reading Room**
 - Nolton Village Hall: No update provided on this occasion.
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- **Public toilet provisions at Newgale South and Nolton Haven** – M. Hammond read out an update from M. Harries which confirmed he had engaged with PCC Business Manager to discuss leasehold agreements for an asset transfer to NRCC. M. Harries confirmed that the asset transfer option was not straightforward as Dwr Cymru owned part of the building adding complexities to legal process and conveyancing. Furthermore, the legal process would take some time given the complexities and current workload of PCC legal team. It was agreed that a funding request to PCNPA (OTA Project) should be pursued whilst awaiting further information on the leasehold agreement(s) from PCC.
 - Action: M. Harries to follow-up with PCC Business Manager and clerk to approach PCNPA regarding funding from the OTA project.
- **Newgale Coastal Adaptation Scheme** – The clerk read out the following update provided by PCC: *The most recent update is that PCC have been awarded funding from the Welsh Government through the Resilient Roads Fund, for the current financial year (FY). With this funding, we will continue to progress the Coastal Adaptation Scheme in Newgale. In the current FY we will aim to have the Scheme ready for submission for draft planning, through to a Statutory Pre-Application Consultation (sPAC) which will include a detailed assessment of the preferred option, including an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA). A draft WelTAG Stage 3 will also be developed to estimated cost stage in this FY. We are also in the process of updating the website to reflect the above.*
 - Action: Clerk to follow-up.

- **Foot / cycle path around dangerous bend in Roch** – The clerk confirmed a response had been received from PCC Group Engineer for Infrastructure agreeing to a site visit in early June. Councillors felt a site visit would be beneficial and the offer should be accepted.
 - Action: Clerk to follow-up.
- **Policing of double yellow lines in Nolton Haven and Welsh Road (Newgale – Nolton Haven) parking issues and signage** – No update on this occasion.
 - Action: Clerk to follow-up.
- **PV Solar Speed Reduction Signs** –The clerk confirmed PCC had requested a Community Engagement Report to support the Enhancing Pembrokeshire grant application, that demonstrates the residents in the immediate vicinity are aware of the proposals and agree with them.
 - Action: Clerk to follow-up.
- **Nolton Haven Japanese knotweed** – No update on this occasion.
 - Action: M. Harries to follow-up with PCC representative.
- **Village footpath and signage for Roch to Newgale new footpath** – The clerk confirmed an email had been sent to PCC traffic department and planners informing them of The National Trust’s consent to adopt the Southwood footpath as a full public right of way, and requesting whether PCC would now be willing to explore options for a connecting pavement to the village of Roch. No response had been received to date and the clerk agreed to send another chaser email.
 - Action: Clerk to follow-up.
- **Speeding vehicles on A487 between Simpsons Cross and Newgale** – The clerk confirmed an email had been sent to PCC traffic / roads department to request a speed survey. No response had been received on when the survey would be undertaken.
 - Action: Clerk to follow-up.
- **Bus Shelter Repairs** – The clerk confirmed an email had been sent to PCC to request a quotation for repairs to the bus shelter near the old motel (St Davids direction) owned by NRCC, and a quotation had been received of £92 + vat for materials plus 1 hours labour to fit new panel at £91.20. Councillors agreed with the quotation and matter resolved. Proposed: M. Hammond and seconded: M. Canton.
 - Action: Clerk to follow-up.
- **Dog Fouling in Roch Village** – The clerk confirmed that two social media posts were circulated via the NRCC Facebook Page as agreed. M. Harries is to reach out to Roch School and related stakeholders to propose a re-run of an awareness campaign.
 - Action: M. Harries to approach the school.
- **Town & Community Council websites** – No update on this occasion.
 - Action: M. Harries to follow-up with web developers for Roch Village website.
- **Defibrillator Pads** – R. Thomson confirmed the slipway AD pads are valid until 1st June 2024 and the paediatric pads had already expired and required changing, and the Hall AD pads are valid until May 2025. Therefore, two sets of paediatric and one set of adult pads are required. The clerk confirmed M. Harries had provided requirements for the Roch AD pads.
 - Action: Clerk to follow-up with an order.
- **Newgale Campsite Licences and Planning** – The clerk confirmed an update had been received from M. Harries which was shared with members at the meeting. J. Gale confirmed complaints had been received from local residents about the live music over the recent bank holiday weekend. Furthermore, councillors raised concerns regarding two food trailers on the campsite before the certificate of lawfulness permits, and the former toilet block being used to store and serve alcohol and host craft stands, and the unauthorised use of the Duke of Edinburgh carpark. Councillors expressed concerns to the recent developments on the campsite, and felt further guidance needed to be sought from PCC and PCNPA on the lawfulness and legality of recent developments.
 - Action: M. Harries to continue follow-ups on this matter.

2066 Planning

- **PCC Proposal: Creation of access and parking area. Greenacre Farm, C3042 Nolton Cross To Simpson Cross, Simpson Cross, Haverfordwest, SA62 6ES [24/0016/PA]** – *Application sent round to all Councillors prior to meeting – No further comments or concerns raised.*

2067 Finance

- Clerk updated the councillors on the state of finances and Community Council bank account balances.

2068 Correspondence

- CEIC project promotion
- Fflecsi Northwest Pembrokeshire Zone - new Flyer
- Awards Conference 2024 Report
- Pembrokeshire Local Food Partnership
- Audit cycle - Basic and Triennial full audits
- Please display Job Fair poster
- General Medical Services at St David's Surgery
- Members Allowances / Lwfansau Aelodau
- Closure of Public Conveniences in Nolton Haven

2069 Meetings attended by Councillors / forthcoming meetings

No update provided.

2070 Other items

- **Church Road Noticeboard** – The clerk confirmed a brief email had been received from a local resident regarding the relocation of the new noticeboard on Church Road. It was agreed that the clerk would communicate with complainant on a mutually agreed alternative location for the noticeboard.
 - Action: Clerk to follow-up with a response to complainant.
- **Roch Gate Lay-by** – J. Gale acknowledged the improved appearance and maintenance of the lay-by and thanked the clerk for his continued efforts which are enhancing the appearance of the village entrance.
- **Ice Cream Tender for Nolton Haven** – Councillors asked whether the tender had been renewed for the ice cream van at Nolton Haven. The clerk agreed to raise an enquiry with PCC on this matter.
 - Action: Clerk to follow-up with an enquiry to PCC.

2071 PCC report

- No update provided.

2072 AOB

- Nothing raised.

2073 Items for the next agenda

Meeting closed at 8.35pm

Next meeting: Monday 3rd June 2024 at Victoria Hall, Roch.

Signed

Chairman