

MINUTES OF NOLTON AND ROCH COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT VICTORIA HALL ROCH

7 February 2022

Members Present

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

Clerk – N. Neumann

1773 Apologies

R. Thomson and D. Weale

1774 Declaration of interest

M. Harries declared an interest with respect to Victoria Hall Roch

J. Hancock declared an interest with respect to the CLT and the potential land involved

D. Smith declared an interest with respect to the CLT

Cllr. J. Adams declared an interest with respect to Cuffern Garage planning application (21/0917/PA)

1775 Minutes of the previous meeting dated 6 December 2021

Proposer J. Hancock, seconder M. Canton.

1776 Clerk's report on matters arising

- **Enhancing Pembrokeshire Grant** - M. Harries – Awaiting development of architects drawings for the hall extension to be produced to support grant application. No further update.
- **Nolton and Roch Community Land Trust** - D. Smith confirmed a tentative date has been set for the NRCLT AGM on the 5th April 2022. Preparations are underway for the AGM which is likely to be a hybrid meeting. The meeting will provide an good opportunity for local residents and NRCLT members to learn more about current NRCLT plans and progress to date.
- **Updates from the Victoria Hall / Nolton Village Hall and Reading Room** - M. Canton confirmed that roof repairs to the Nolton Village Hall and Reading Room have now been completed. M. Harries confirmed that restructuring is currently underway at Victoria Hall following the stepping down of the booking secretary. A meeting with Planed has been arranged to update the Pembrokeshire Halls website and the Victoria Hall listing. A grant funding application has been submitted to reinvigorate / enlarge the garden area at Victoria Hall; the outcome of the application is imminent. Bookings for Victoria Hall are now increasing showing signs of opening up which is encouraging.
- **Nolton traffic concerns - speeding coming down from Newgale into Nolton Haven, parking enforcement, yellow lines** – Clerk confirmed no further update on this matter. M. Harries agreed the matter has now been resolved, seconded by M. Canton.
- **Japanese knotweed in the green lake, Nolton** – Clerk confirmed research had been completed on the laws and regulations for the control and eradication of knotweed which has been circulated to all councillors for their consideration. It was proposed by Cllr. J. Adams that the matter should be raised to National Resources Wales (NRW) for their attention and follow-up.
 - Action: Clerk to contact NRW and register the matter with them for enforcement action.
- **Newgale road developments** – Clerk confirmed that PCC / Atkins have requested community participation in a series of Task and Finish Groups (TFGs), and that the literature had been shared via the community council social media account to encourage local community participation.
- **Digital Pembrokeshire Broadband Programme** – Clerk confirmed no further update on this matter.

- **Foot / cycle path around dangerous bend in Roch** – No update regarding the start date as yet although work is believed to be under the 2021-22 Minor Works programme. It is understood that the landowner gifting the land for the footpath has requested privacy fencing and a small gate. It is also understood that the landowner's request is yet to be agreed by PCC.
 - Action: Cllr. J. Adams to make contact with PCC to further understand the situation.
- **St Madoc's church update re services and repairs required** – Clerk confirmed no further update on this matter although a meeting with the congregation of St Madoc's was imminent.
 - Action: Clerk to follow matter and engage with Canon Rowlands as and when.
- **Maintenance of paved lane between Pilgrims Way and Maes Ffynnon** – Concern was raised by J. Hancock regarding dog fouling on the paved lane and the lower village of Roch. Cllr. J. Adams suggested submitting a request to PCC for extra bins particularly in the lower part of the village.
 - Action: M. Harries to follow-up with a request to PCC.
- **Nolton sign and general gateway improvements** – R. Thomson confirmed (via email) that the damaged sign in Nolton was yet to be repaired, and the clerk committed to follow up with PCC on this matter. It was agreed that gateway improvements was a more longer term ambition for both Roch and Nolton.
 - Action: Clerk to follow-up.
- **Defibrillator maintenance** – Clerk confirmed pads and batteries had been procured and replaced, and calendar notifications have been setup for future replacement dates for all defibrillators.
- **Use of impromptu fireworks on local beaches** – Clerk confirmed that research had been done concerning regulations on the use of fireworks in public spaces which has been circulated to councillors for their consideration. It was agreed by council (proposed M. Harries and seconded by M. Canton) that signage should be erected at Nolton Haven beach (near the slipway) to discourage the use of fireworks and make known the by-laws associated with such activities, and that NRCC would fund the signage.
 - Action: M. Harries to send signage requirements (content/format) to clerk for procurement.
- **Roch Motel safety concerns** – Clerk confirmed no further update on this matter.
- **Defibrillator training sessions** – Due to R. Thomson's absence it was agreed to move this matter to the March meeting.
- **Queens Jubilee celebrations** – It was discussed amongst the councillors what should be done to support/represent the celebrations as a community. M. Harries confirmed Victoria Hall were exploring the idea of an outdoor cinema to celebrate the occasion and raise funds. Councillors also recalled past celebrations for the monarchy and the production of commemorative coins and mugs for children in the community. It was proposed that community feedback / ideas / thoughts should be enlisted.
 - Action: Clerk to push social media posting on NRCC social media page to call for community feedback and ideas, and M. Harries to share on Roch Village page.
- **WAG Tree Planting Initiative** – It was agreed further time was required to consider suitable locations within the community for tree planting, and this matter should be brought to the March meeting. It was also agreed that the main layby entering Roch village requires attention in terms of scrub management and litter.
 - Action: J. Hancock and clerk agreed to work together on cutting back the scrub on the lay-by area to improve the appearance of the approach into Roch village.

1777 Planning

- **PCNPA proposal: Single storey side extension at East Nolton Farmhouse, Nolton Haven, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA62 3NW (NP/21/0758/FUL)**
Application sent round to all Councillors prior to meeting – No further comments or concerns raised.

- **PCC proposal: Cuffern Garage, Cuffern, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA62 6HB.**
Conversion of outbuildings to create two residential units, including change of use of commercial garage to provide ancillary domestic storage, change of use of agricultural land to domestic curtilage and construction of Bat mitigation buildings (21/0917/PA)
Application sent round to all Councillors prior to meeting – No further comments or concerns raised.
- **PCNPA proposal: Proposed Public Path Diversion Order; Section 119 Highways Act 1980 Public Footpath PP29/30, The Old Barn, Barch Farm, Roch, Pembrokeshire**
Application sent round to all Councillors prior to meeting – No further comments or concerns raised.
- **PCNPA proposal: Proposed change of use, rebuild and extension of existing garage to form a two-bedroom holiday let at Furze Mill, Nolton Haven, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA62 3NH (NP/22/0044/FUL)**
Application sent round to all Councillors prior to meeting – No further comments or concerns raised.
- **PCC proposal: Proposed Conversion of Garage to Studio and Utility Extension at 39, Walnut Close, East Moor Park, Cuffern, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA62 6HR (21/1077/PA)**
Application sent round to all Councillors prior to meeting – No further comments or concerns raised.
- **PCC proposal: Variation of Condition 2 (Plan Specification) and 3 (Disposal of Foul and Surface Water) of planning permission 19/0939/PA (Replacement dwelling and detached garage) at North East of timber yard at Rock Farm, Rock Farm, Roch, Haverfordwest, SA62 6HF (21/0976/PA)**
Application sent round to all Councillors prior to meeting – No further comments or concerns raised.

1778 Finance

- **Requests for donations currently received:**
 - Friends of Roch
 - St Madocs Church, Nolton and St Mary's Church, Roch
 - Nolton Haven Chapel
 - Camrose and Roch Playgroup
 - National Sheepdog Trials Association
 - Marie Curie
 - Welsh Air Ambulance
 - Victoria Hall Roch
 - Nolton and Roch Community Land Trust
- Decision to be made on all donation requests at the March meeting.
- Details of funds held within NRCC bank accounts shared with council.

1779 Correspondence

- Southwood Estate Consultation
- Pembrokeshire County Council Local Development Plan & Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Local Development Plan 2 Joint Supplementary Planning Guidance on the Cumulative Impact of Wind Turbines
- Draft Well-Being Assessment Pembrokeshire Public Services Board's consultation
- The Queen's Platinum Jubilee – National Lottery Awards for All
- PCC Local Development Plan Review LDP2 Timetable and Process Update

1780 Meetings attended by Councillors / forthcoming meetings

1781 Other items

- Excessive water on road by Hillside, Nolton – M. Canton suggested this matter is increasing in severity and requires attention.
 - Action: Clerk to raise issue with PCC highways team.
- Dislodged BT manhole cover by Folkeston Farmhouse has been noted and presents a risk to road users and pedestrians alike.
 - Action: Clerk to raise issue with PCC highways team.

1782 PCC report

- No updates provided.

1783 AOB

- Nothing raised.

1784 Items for the next agenda

Meeting closed at 9.15pm

Next meeting: Monday 7 March 2022

Signed

Chairman