

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

7 March 2022

Members Present

M. Harries, J. Hancock, D. Smith, J. Gale, R. Thomson and D. Weale

Clerk – N. Neumann

1785 Apologies

M. Canton, A. Peach and Cllr. J. Adams

1786 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 Penuel Chapel

D. Smith declared an interest with respect to the CLT

N. Neumann (clerk) declared an interest with respect to planning application NP/21/0632/FUL and Camrose and Roch Playgroup

1787 Minutes of the previous meeting dated 7 February 2022

Proposer R. Thomson, seconder J. Gale

1788 Clerk's report on matters arising

- **Enhancing Pembrokeshire Grant** - M. Harries – No further update to provide at this time.
- **Nolton and Roch Community Land Trust** - D. Smith confirmed the NRCLT AGM will take place on the 5th April 2022 at Victoria Hall, Roch. Preparations are underway for the AGM and posters have been distributed across the community promoting the event which will be run on an F2F format. 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. Harries confirmed that restructuring had been recently completed at Victoria Hall following the stepping down of the booking secretary. New provisions are also being developed to improve the efficiency and management of bookings (online calendar and new generic email box). 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 the “Talking Bench” initiative and outcome imminent. Furthermore, a grant funding application has been submitted to reinvigorate / enlarge the garden area at Victoria Hall; the outcome of the application is imminent with support being provided by Eco Dewi. M. Harries confirmed there had been a recent change in trustees for Nolton Village Hall and Reading Room, and they were starting to formulate a funding raising plan to take forward – No further update for Nolton.
- **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. Clerk also confirmed that this matter had been registered with Natural Resources Wales (NRW), an incident number and email confirmation received however no further response/action had been received from NRW. The clerk proposed to write a letter to the landowner informing them of their responsibilities however support would be required from the local councillors (M. Canton and R. Thomson) to identify the landowners and obtaining their contact details. M. Harries agreed to move this matter to the April NRCC meeting.

- **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. No further update.
- **Digital Pembrokeshire Broadband Programme** – Clerk confirmed no further update on this matter, M. Harries proposed to remove this matter from the agenda but keep abreast of any developments as we move forward.
- **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.
- **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** – M. Harries confirmed no further update on this matter and a response from PCC for extra bins particularly in the lower part of the village was pending.
 - Action: M. Harries to follow-up with PCC.
- **Nolton sign and general gateway improvements** – The clerk confirmed that three highways issues had been raised to PCC (an exposed BT chamber at Folkeston Farm, damaged sign in Nolton Village and blocked gully near Nolton Riding Stables.) R. Thomson confirmed that the blocked gully had been resolved but the two other matters remained unresolved. It is understood that the Nolton sign is in production and that BT have been informed by PCC of the exposed chamber. The clerk committed to further follow up with PCC on the outstanding matters.
 - Action: Clerk to follow-up.
- **Use of impromptu fireworks on local beaches** – M. Harries confirmed that research had been done on signage designs/formats and costs. It was agreed that a clear simple format was the way to move forward. It was also proposed that leaflets could be produced and delivered to holiday homes throughout the village with gentle reminder about the use of fireworks and related by-laws.
 - Action: M. Harries to further discuss signage with M. Canton.
- **Defibrillator training sessions** – R. Thomson confirmed that training could be arranged for June/July at two locations across the community (Potentially Nolton and Roch village Halls).
 - Action: R. Thomson to follow-up on arrangements.
- **Queens Jubilee celebrations** – M. Harries confirmed very little response had been received following the social media campaign via Roch Village, Nolton Village and Community Council channels. Discussion amongst the councillors at the meeting proved productive. Ideas for a beacon event on Rickets Head were proposed. It was decided to move this matter to April NRCC meeting and discuss options for a Rickets Head event with M. Canton.
- **WAG Tree Planting Initiative** – No further update and proposed by M. Harries to remove from matters arising.

1789 Planning

- **PCNPA proposal: [reconsultation] Rainbolts Hill Farm, Roch, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA62 6AF – Expansion and further farm diversification of tourism with 5 self-contained bespoke holiday units, car parking and ecological enhancements NP/21/0632/FUL**
Application sent round to all Councillors prior to meeting – No further comments or concerns raised.

1790 Finance

- **Requests for donations**

- It was resolved to donate £250 to each of the below local organisations:

- Friends of Roch School
- St Mary's Church, Roch
- Nolton Haven Chapel
- Camrose and Roch Playgroup
- Victoria Hall Roch
- Nolton and Roch Community Land Trust
- Penuel Chapel Roch

- It was agreed these organisations were local worthy causes with a positive contribution to our community. The total for all donations would be £1,750. The clerk confirmed letters would be sent to the organisations as above, and donations would be made before yearend (end of March 2022).

1791 Correspondence

- Dwr Cymru Welsh Water's Draft Water Resources Management Plan 2024 - Pre Consultation
- Welsh Government's 'Consultation on how to measure the inclusion of migrants in Wales
- Newgale Coastal Adaption Scheme - Task and Finish Groups
- Tree Planting to Commemorate the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park's 70th Anniversary
- Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales: annual report 2022 to 2023

1792 Meetings attended by Councillors / forthcoming meetings

1793 Other items

- May 2022 Council Elections – Nomination forms circulated to councillors. PCC have requested that all clerks should collate completed forms and submit as batch. Deadline to be confirmed to councillors.
 - Action: Clerk to confirm deadline for completed forms

1794 PCC report

- No updates provided.

1795 AOB

- Nothing raised.

1796 Items for the next agenda

Meeting closed at 8.50pm

Next meeting: Monday 4 April 2022

Signed

Chairman