

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

27 November 2023

Members present

M. Harries, M. Canton, A. Peach, A. Jones, J. Hancock, J. Gale and M. Hammond.
Clerk – N. Neumann

Members of the public – M. Harris & C. Harris, C. Haywood & J. Haywood, G. Main & D. Weale

2011 Apologies

R. Thomson and Cllr. Peter Morgan.

2012 Declaration of interest

M. Harries declared conflict of interest with Victoria Hall Association.

J. Hancock declared conflict of interest with CLT matters.

A. Peach declared conflict of interest with foot / cycle path around dangerous bend in Roch.

2013 Time allocated for members of the public to raise matters

M. Harris – Subject: Planning application NP/23/0527/FUL

M. Harris introduced the background of the building and various planning milestones over recent times. M. Harris went on to outline the revisions made to the proposed scheme and concluded by requesting NRCC to support planning application NP/23/0527/FUL. Following discussion between members, a position of “NO OBJECTION” to the planning application was resolved. Furthermore, whilst members acknowledged the merits of reinstating a public toilet, members did however raise concerns regarding parking, litter and flooding which members felt needed to be taken into consideration when assessing the application and planning conditions which may need to be imposed along with change of use of the building. Furthermore, members felt if approval is granted for change of use, that the public toilet would need to remain free of charge to the general public for perpetuity, and the opening times for the toilet should match those of other public toilets in the vicinity typically a 6 month period.

M. Harris – Subject: Planning application NP/23/0534/FUL

M. Harris introduced Newgale Campsite, the contributions to the local area, business vision, plans for the future. and the various planning milestones over recent times. M. Harris went on to outline the revisions made to the proposed scheme and concluded by requesting NRCC to support planning application NP/23/0534/FUL. Following much discussion between members, a position of “OBJECTION” to the planning application was resolved (3 members against, 2 members support and 1 abstention). Members raised in-principle objections regarding the size, scale and design of the proposed building and the visual impact on the sensitive landscape at Newgale beachfront. Members felt the transient nature of current food and ancillary provisions at the campsite whilst not ideal does have less impact on the sensitive landscape than the proposed building.

D. Weale – Subject: Foot / cycle path around dangerous bend in Roch

Refer below agenda item 2015.

2014 Minutes of the previous meeting dated 6 November 2023
Proposer J. Gale and A. Jones.

2015 Clerk's report on matters arising

- **Nolton and Roch Community Land Trust (CLT)** – No update provided on this occasion.
- **Updates from the Victoria Hall / Nolton Village Hall and Reading Room**
 - Nolton Village Hall: M. Canton confirmed a bingo event had been carried out recently although the attendance was lower than usual possibly due to timing being mid-week in term.
 - Victoria Hall: M. Harries confirmed planning was in full swing for the New Years Day fireworks display planned for the 1st January. Westcoast Fireworks would be providing the display with food being prepared by the hall committee volunteers. M. Harries confirmed this year's event would be donations only to enter with food payable.
- **Public toilet provisions at Newgale South and Nolton Haven** – The clerk reaffirmed a letter had been sent on behalf of Community Council to PCC raising concerns of the closures. An email response was received confirming the letter had been received and would be considered at the next PCC cabinet meeting in December where all exceptions would be considered. No further update provided.
Action: Clerk to follow-up.
- **Newgale Coastal Adaptation Scheme** – Clerk confirmed that no update had been received. M. Harries suggested that a request should be sent to PCC for an update on the scheme; the clerk agreed to action this suggestion.
Action: Clerk to follow-up.
- **Foot / cycle path around dangerous bend in Roch** – M. Harries invited D. Weale to address members. D. Weale felt the virtual kerb / pavement around the bend was not safe (or gives a false sense of security), and the visibility from the give way points poor. D. Weale proposed the priority system and give way should be removed, and replaced with simple caution oncoming traffic signage. It was agreed by members that the concerns raised and suggestions should be forwarded to PCC traffic.
Action: Clerk to follow-up.
- **Policing of double yellow lines in Nolton Haven and Welsh Road (Newgale – Nolton Haven) parking issues and signage** – M. Canton confirmed no issues had been experienced recently.
Action: Cllr. P. Morgan and clerk to follow-up.
- **PV Solar Speed Reduction Signs** – The clerk confirmed an Expression of Interest (EOI) had been put forward for the PCC Enhancing Pembrokeshire grant to fund the traffic safety project for Roch village. The clerk also confirmed that PCC had responded positively to the EOI and welcomed a full application to be submitted which the clerk committed to complete shortly.
Action: Clerk to follow-up.
- **Nolton Haven Japanese knotweed** – M. Harries confirmed no update on this matter.
Action: M. Harries to follow-up with PCC representative.
- **Village footpath and signage for Roch to Newgale new footpath** – Clerk confirmed a letter had been sent to The National Trust asking their intentions for the permissive footpath from Roch to Newgale and whether this would be fully adopted as PRow in the future. No response received.
Action: Clerk to follow-up.
- **Relocation of community notice board** – Clerk confirmed the sign had been paid for, and was in production with delivery imminent.
Action: Clerk to follow-up with the installation of new notice board upon delivery.

- **Speeding vehicles on A487 between Simpsons Cross and Newgale** – Clerk confirmed an email had been sent to PCC traffic / roads department to request a speed survey along the agreed stretch of the A487 and that a response had been received supportive to a survey likely to be carried out in Q1 2024.
Action: Clerk to follow-up.

2016 Planning

- **PCNPA Proposal : Change of use of former public toilets to takeaway ice cream parlour/coffee bar with toilet facility for public use as required by Pembrokeshire County Council.** Redundant Toilet Block, Adjacent to Newgale Campsite, Newgale, Haverfordwest, SA62 6AS. [NP/23/0527/FUL]

Application sent round to all Councillors prior to meeting – Refer to agenda item 2013 for comments.

- **PCNPA Proposal : Demolition of existing toilets/showers/store/laundry & removal of touring caravans for reception & office/meeting room to the nearest alternative site outside the flood zone, with modest expansion for the replacement toilets/showers/store/laundry/reception & office/meeting room; plus integrated modest takeaway food kiosk to replace surrendered certificate of lawfulness via 106 Agreement for mobile catering unit.** Newgale Campsite, Newgale, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA62 6AS. [NP/23/0534/FUL]

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- **Planning Enforcement:**

Former Nolton Riding Stables, Nolton – Alleged unauthorised engineering operations and buildings change of use from agricultural/equestrian to events venue. [Ref: EC23/0065] *Clerk confirmed no update had been received from PCNPA enforcement or PCC licencing on this matter. It was understood that PCNPA were investigating activities in the locality as part of a wider investigation.*

2017 Finance

- Clerk updated the councillors on the state of finances and Community Council bank account balances.
- One request for donation from Urdd Eisteddfod.

2018 Correspondence

- Pembrokeshire Community Review / Adolygiad Cymunedol Sir Benfro
- FW: NATIONAL PAY AGREEMENT 2023/24
- Bwletin CHTh | PCC Bulletin
- Road Safety Strategy Consultation
- REVIEW OF COMMUNITY ARRANGEMENTS OF PEMBROKESHIRE
- Enhancing Pembrokeshire
- Section 137 Expenditure Limit for 2024-25
- Cymru Can – Future Generations Cymru Strategy
- RE: Nolton and Roch Community Council (Megan Pratt)
- Request to address the Nolton & Roch CC (Mike Harris)

2019 Meetings attended by Councillors / forthcoming meetings

- Clerk advised he attended a PCNPA Planning Workshop for city, town and community clerks which was focused on planning policy matters including enforcement.

2020 Other items

Nothing raised.

2021 PCC report

No update provided.

2022 AOB

Nothing raised.

2023 Items for the next agenda

- Simpson Cross 20mph Limit.

Meeting closed at 8.55pm

Next meeting: Monday 5th February 2024 at Victoria Hall, Roch.

Signed

Chairman