

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

11 June 2018

Members Present

D. Smith (Chair), R. Thomson, M. Canton, J. Hancock, A. Peach
Clerk - A. Jones

1394 Apologies

J. Gale, M. Harries, A. Ricketts, Cllr. J. Adams

1395 Declaration of interest

J. Hancock declared an interest with respect to the Roch Gate Motel as he has been contacted re removal work at the site.

A. Peach declared an interest in respect of the new footpath by the Old Post Office as the proposed route goes through land which belongs to A. Peach's mother-in-law, Sue Berry.

1396 Minutes of the previous meeting 14 May 2018

Approved; proposed R. Thomson, seconded M. Canton.

1397 Clerk's report on matters arising

- **Yellow lines at Nolton** - Clerk reported that there had been no update; M. Canton was aware of markings on the road but it's still unclear how far up the road they will go.
 - Action: Clerk to chase Highways re land-ward lines in a few weeks time.
- **Creation of a new footpath by Old Post Office in Church Road, Roch** - D. Smith confirmed that he is meeting with PAVS next week to discuss the Communities Facilities Fund, a government funding pot, and any other available funding advice.
 - Action: D. Smith / Clerk to meet with PAVS.
- **Solar speed signs and traffic calming** - D. Smith produced his completed lottery bid for two speed signs. The Clerk signed the form as RFO. D. Smith is hopeful that the community can create and maintain a little garden and produce new welcome signs. The white picket fence / gate idea seen in other parts of the UK, including Dorset, was supported by the Councillors.
 - Action: D. Smith to submit bid to the National Lottery.
- **Roch Gate Motel** - Clerk reported that R. Bevan is still attempting to contact the neighbouring landowner to remove the roof and has so far been unsuccessful. Clerk asked again if Councillors could ask around for contact details. R. Bevan is sympathetic that this is a frustrating state of affairs but that Building Control at PCC are satisfied that the roof does not pose a safety hazard in its current position. M. Canton raised the concern on behalf of local residents who have seen rats coming from the site. Clerk urged the community to formally write to her with documented complaints which can then be forwarded to the appropriate people.
- **Nolton and Roch Community Action Plan 2018** - date for acceptance meeting will be 3 July 2018 and the flyers and draft action plans are being collected this week for distribution.
- **Nolton Haven beach erosion** - M. Canton confirmed that there has been no progress as yet.
 - Action: M. Harries to speak to the relevant people to find out the plans.

- **Nolton Haven car park** - M. Canton and R. Thomson proposed writing to the National Parks offering an alternative solution, whereby the community of Nolton will take on all responsibility for the maintenance and insurance etc of the car park. All Councillors were in agreement that this was more than a reasonable and acceptable offer and is fully supported by NRCC and that NRCC would be happy to help with insurance costs etc.
 - Action: Clerk to produce first draft of letter and circulate.
- **Nolton bench / sign improvements** - R. Thomson confirmed that the cost of the benches from the company previously used for Roch have gone up considerably in price. It was hoped that NRCC may be able to obtain them for slightly cheaper. All Councillors in favour of purchasing two benches.
 - Action: Clerk / R. Thomson to contact M. Harries to see if he can obtain a cheaper quote.
- **Nolton salt box** - Clerk reported on the email exchanged with PCC re the positioning of the salt box. It was reiterated to PCC that the location at the top of the hill is the most appropriate position. R. Evans is to contact R. Thomson to arrange a site visit.
- **Grass verge by Roch sign / Victoria Inn** - no update.
 - Action: M. Harries to report back at next meeting.
- **Littering by recycling bins at entrance to Ocean Drive** - Councillors still reported a problem with littering in the vicinity.
 - Action: Clerk to ask M. Harries / J. Adams re camera / sign deterrent.

1398 Planning

- Byelaw re Omnibuses - Clerk reported on the changes and was in possession of the document if any Councillor wished to read it.
- Planning application withdrawn: PCNPA Proposal re Takora, Nolton Haven, SA62 3NN (NP/18/0124/FUL)
- Planning applications approved:
 - PCC Proposal: Change of use and renovation of agricultural buildings and yard to form a timber processing enterprise (partially in retrospect). Application: 17/1120/PA. Site Address: Rock Farm, ROCH, Haverfordwest, SA62 6HF

1399 Finance

- **Grant Thornton Audit** - Clerk presented the audit which had now been completed by the internal auditor. All resolved for D. Smith and Clerk to sign the audit.
- **Zurich insurance renewal** - £308.82 paid online.
- **Date Protection Fee** - Clerk presented a direct debit form for payment of the annual £40 fee. Signed by D. Smith, A. Peach and Clerk.
- **Round Up request for donation** - Clerk read out the letter to the Councillors. A £150 donation was proposed by R. Thomson, seconded by J. Hancock. Councillors suggested that it might be helpful for the Round Up to revisit the idea of a regular advertisements page / insert for local businesses as a way of raising income and also considering printing in black and white which might also help reduce costs.
 - Action: Clerk to send cheque with accompanying letter offering the above suggestions.
- **Enhancing Pembrokeshire Grant** - the parish of Nolton and Roch have £10,376 available for projects that have the effect of mitigating against the negative impact of second homes in the community. It was agreed by all that it would be a good idea to mention the EPG at the Action Plan acceptance meeting in order to float ideas on Facebook and in the wider community. A. Peach would also discuss the EPG with the school.

1400 Correspondence

- **Biodiversity Solutions** - Clerk read out the letter from this local company who offer to help research and improve the biodiversity of communities. All agreed that this might be a worthwhile effort if NRCC had a project in mind which looked to improve or work with the natural habitat, i.e. akin to Broadhaven's boardwalk, however it is not applicable to us at this time.

1401 Meetings attended by Councillors / forthcoming meetings

- **Enhancing Pembrokeshire Grant meeting 16 May 2018 County Hall** (Clerk / D. Smith attended)
- **PLANED Community Forum Network - 25 June 2018 between 5:30 and 8:30 pm, at Crundale Hall, Crundale SA62 4DF** (well-being project and transfer of assets discussion) (Clerk / D. Smith attending)

1402 Other items

- **Community Land Trust** - Clerk read out an email she had received re a Community Land Trust scheme in the county, where community owned land and the e.g. respective community council / charity can be supported by an officer working with PLANED over the next 2 years to build affordable homes for local people. Unfortunately, although a great opportunity, it was agreed by all that there was not a suitable community owned site in the Parish in this regard but they wished her well in her endeavours.
 - Action: Clerk to respond to email in this regard.

1403 PCC report

- None.

1404 AOB

1405 Items for the next agenda

Meeting closed at 8.50 pm.

Next meeting: 7.30pm on Monday 2 July 2018 at Nolton Reading Room, Nolton

Signed

Chairman