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FULL COUNCIL MEETING

**3rd March 2026 – IN PERSON AT LITTLE HAVEN VILLAGE HALL, AND ONLINE VIA THE ZOOM
VIDEOCONFERENCING PLATFORM – 7pm**

MINUTES

Present:

Cllrs Howard Jones (Chairman), Chris Oliver, George Bevan, Viv Grey, Liz Forster.

Also in Attendance:

Peter Horton (Clerk); County Cllr. N. Neumann

1) **Comments of welcome by Chairman**

The Chairman welcomed all present to the meeting.

2) **Apologies received**

C'llrs Sally Bell, Andy Devonald, Charlie Alexander.

3) **Opportunity for members of the public to make representations on tabled agenda items**

There were no members of the public present who wished to make representations.

4) **Declarations of known conflicts of interest**

None.

5) **Approval of minutes of the February monthly meeting**

The minutes were approved as drafted (proposer C'llr Chris Oliver, seconder C'llr Liz Forster).

6) **Approval of minutes of the E.G.M. held on Tuesday 17th February**

The minutes were approved as drafted (proposer C'llr George Bevan, seconder C'llr Viv Grey).

7) **Matters Arising from previous meetings, and not covered under tabled agenda items**

- Atlantic Drive update

No update

- Any update on new website provision

It was confirmed that the Fasthosts contract had been terminated.

- Update on situation with long-term parking in Slash Pond Car Park

Members were informed that the van had now been removed. Members agreed to meet in the car park on the morning of Saturday 21st March to carry out a clear up exercise.

- Update on Community Award scheme

Still in hand with C'llr Howard Jones. The initiative was basically ready for launch. Members agreed on an arrangement whereby the deadline for entries would be October 31st, with awards to be presented in December. Members discussed the difference between volunteering and business, and felt it better to target volunteering for the first round of awards. Regular agenda item to be tabled for the next few meetings for any updates on arrangements required.

- Work at The Point.

Members were informed that this was well under way.

8) Accounts

- Payments for approval

Hugo Fox (direct debit)	:	£ 29-99
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Clerk (salary February 2026)	:	As per contract
HMRC (PAYE tax / NI contributions)	:	As per contract
Clerk (incidental expenses, January – March)	:	£ 64-74
B.H. Village Hall Committee (INV-1552 for hall hire)	:	£ 20-00
Cleddau Press (INV-20044 for community diary printing)	:	£ 225-00
Tenby 1 st Responders (new defibrillator and cabinet)	:	£1395-00
Total Tech (INV-17092 for broadband provision)	:	£ 84-00

The above payments were approved (proposer C'llr George Bevan, seconder C'llr Viv Grey).

- Income received

Honesty box income	:	£ 71-90
Community Diary advertisement income	:	£ 400-00

- Balances held in community council accounts on 28th February 2026

Current account	:	£18560-74
Deposit account	:	£25152-77

9) Planning

- Planning consultations for discussion

None.

10) Correspondence received

- 01) Fasthosts – Confirmation of closure of accounts – noted.
- 02) Eaton-Evans and Morris – Confirmation of completion of lease for boules pit land – dealt with in agenda item below.
- 03) Boardwalk Group – Information on recent work carried out at the Boardwalk – noted.
- 04) Bevan Lawncare – Confirmation of acceptance of contract for grass-cutting – noted.
- 05) Raymond Brothers – Response to message sent in about discussions on Slash Pond – dealt with in agenda item below.
- 06) P.P.S. – Quotation for playground inspections for 2026/27 – Approved (proposer C'llr Liz Forster, seconder C'llr Viv Grey).
- 07) P.P.S. Pembrokeshire – Operational playground inspection reports – noted.

11) County Councillor report

Lighting issues – Some issues had arisen during the month, with conflicting accounts of responsibility for the lighting cabling. These had eventually been resolved, with it being confirmed that P.C.N.P.A. had responsibility.

Potholes – ongoing issues, as for elsewhere in the County.

Drain cleaning at Blockett Lane. This had been completed.

Site meeting to discuss water quality issues. A productive site meeting had been held with Henry Tufnell, M.P., to discuss the issues of concern.

School closures. A number of potential school closures around the County were due to be discussed in County Hall, though none that directly affected The Havens community area.

Petitions concerning water quality in the River Cleddau. Some petitions on this issue had been handed in to County Hall.

Electoral changes. The proposed boundary changes / councillor numbers due to take effect in 2027 had been finalised. This would mean a reduction from 10 to 8 councillors in The Havens.

Haven Road speed limit changes. The speed limit was due to be changed from 20mph to 30mph.

Broadway chicane. Some concern about the need for further warning signage was mentioned, with C'llr Nick Neumann undertaking to pursue this as possible.

Broad Haven – Little Haven coast road. Members had again noted occurrences of vans getting stuck on the junction into Little Haven. Agenda item to be tabled for April, to discuss needed measures to address the problem.

- 12) **Any necessary discussion of boules pit land lease, and associated arrangements needed**
It was confirmed that the lease was now complete. It was also confirmed that, at present, there was nothing on the land that would need insuring. Clerk to notify the parties concerned about the lease completion, in order that they could proceed with the grant works.
- 13) **Discussion of appointment of vice-Chairman**
Deferred for future discussion.
- 14) **Discussion of Pride in Place grant scheme**
Deferred for discussion in April. C'llr Chris Oliver undertook to look into the scheme in the meantime.
- 15) **Discussion of possible acquisition of Slash Pond, including any necessary discussion of ongoing actions needed**
The recent message from the Raymond Brothers was discussed.
It was arranged that C'llr George Bevan would approach a local land agent to ask if they would be willing to liaise with the Raymond Brothers on behalf of the community council, in order to advance the transfer process. It was felt appropriate and important for this to be carried out by someone with the requisite knowledge and experience. C'llr Chris Oliver expressed a willingness to liaise with the land agent as necessary, should they be willing to undertake the role.
- 16) **Any necessary discussion of allocation of courses, following recent adoption of Community Council Training Plan**
It was mentioned that the P.C.C. Monitoring Officer had offered to undertake online Code of Conduct training. Clerk to contact her further, to ask if the evening of either Monday 20th April or 27th April could be arranged.
- 17) **Discussion of arrangements for annual asset and financial risk assessments**
Financial risk assessment to be carried out by the Clerk.
Asset risk assessment to be carried out by the Clerk, and reimbursed at time worked (proposer C'llr Viv Grey, seconder C'llr George Bevan).
- 18) **Discussion of situation with invoicing for community diary advertisements**
Members discussed how to address the issue of a small number of non-payers for last year's community diary advertisements. It was decided that the Clerk should notify the community diary team of the parties involved, and ask for their advertisements to be removed from future editions.
Agenda item to be tabled for discussion in April, to consider any necessary changes of approach towards the community diary in general.
- 19) **Discussion of arrangements for replacement of Croft Road bus shelter**
Members were informed that the new bus shelter had been constructed. The windows due to be delivered imminently, and then the old shelter could be removed and replaced.
- 20) **Update on arrangements for installation of noticeboard and defibrillator on Broad Haven Hall, and associated defibrillator training arrangements**
In hand with C'llr Liz Kother to make enquiries with Mr Kother about putting up the noticeboard.
Once the payment for the defibrillator and cabinet had gone through, Clerk to make arrangements with Tony Wall regarding putting these up on the Village Hall.
Clerk to seek to make arrangements with Tony Wall for defibrillator training, on a Saturday morning after 10am, and a weekday evening, with specific dates to be agreed. Clerk to liaise with C'llr Charlie Alexander over hall availability.
- 21) **Discussion of possible need to reschedule April meeting**
Members decided to keep the April meeting date at 7th April, but commencing at 7-15pm, to avoid a clash with another hall user, and to be held in Little Haven Village Hall.

22) Discussion of dog-fouling problems on Broad Haven beach

This was recognised as an ongoing problem, due to inconsiderate and irresponsible dog-owners. C'llr Nick Neumann undertook to enquire with P.C.C. about the extent of patrol coverage by dog wardens. Members also mentioned the possible benefit of more signage, provision of bag dispensers, and the possible mention of a possible total dog ban on the beach if the problem should persist.

23) Any other business (for information only)

Rock fall at Little Haven. A recent cliff rock fall had highlighted the need for people to be aware of the hazards of being too close to the beach cliffs. Agenda item to be tabled in the April meeting, for discussion of ways to publicise the danger. In the meantime, C'llr Nick Neumann undertook to visit the location, photograph the rock fall, and speak to P.C.N.P.A. officers about the matter.

The meeting closed at 8-40 pm. Next scheduled meeting, 7-15pm, Tuesday 7th April 2026, Little Haven Village Hall.