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## **THE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT BROAD HAVEN VILLAGE HALL, 5 MAY 2015, AT 7 PM**

### **PRESENT**

Cllrs Charlotte Alexander, Mark Burch, Nia Davies, David Faulkner, Brian Henderson (Chair), Lawrence Hughes, Peter Morgan (County Cllr), Joan Phillips, Mary Whitewright, Christine Lewis (Clerk).

### **VISITORS**

Richard James, PCNPA, Hayley Barratt, PCNPA.

### **APOLOGIES**

Cllr Matthew Ford, Susan Reynolds

### **ADOPT MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes were signed by Brian Henderson [Chair] as a true record of the meeting held on the 7 April 2015.

### **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest declared.

### **MATTERS ARISING**

#### **Welcome new Councillors**

Cllr Brian Henderson, (Chair) welcomed Charlotte Alexander and Nia Davies to the Council and asked them to complete their Acceptance of Office form.

### **AGENDA ITEMS**

#### **Richard James PCNPA Planning Officer, Renewable Energy**

Richard, from Pembrokeshire Coast National Parks Authority joined the meeting to give us an overview of the PCNPA's approach to Renewable Energy, in particular Wind Turbines. He explained that there were EU targets for Renewable Energy and that Wind Turbines were just one of the technologies being used locally to help meet the targets.

Richard gave a full account of the criteria used to assess an application for Turbines in the area which included visual impact, cumulative impact, environmental and amenities concerns and any compromise they would pose to the special qualities of the National Park.

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The Council felt that it was difficult for them to appraise planning applications for Turbines as they were not in possession of the extensive investigations and technical information the National Parks carried out. Richard appreciated their comments and assured Councillors that should they wish to see the technical data at any time they should contact the Planning Department. He also advised that the incentive payments/tariffs had now been reduced significantly and PCNPA expected to see a reduction in applications in the future.

The Council thanked Richard for his comprehensive presentation.

### **Hayley Barratt, PCNPA Map**

Hayley gave the Council an account of the work carried out by the Pembrokeshire Coast National Parks Authority with regards to local footpaths, bridal paths and the countryside. Issues discussed in detail included when verges would be cut back, when trees would be pruned and areas of particular concern to the Council such as the path up to the Peak.

Hayley advised that there was a Fruit Tree project ongoing at present and asked if the Council wished to put forward an area within the Havens. The Council recommended that the grassed area on the corner of Millmoor Way and Sandyke Road be considered.

The Council thanked Hayley for her comprehensive presentation.

### **Planning Aid Workshop Feedback**

The Clerk gave an account of the Planning Aid Workshop held earlier in the month. Attendees were advised that the Welsh Assembly Government were working towards making Planning a positive activity rather than an obstacle residents had to overcome.

Work is in progress to get local Community and Town Councils more involved in the decision making process and the Welsh Assembly are considering introducing Place Plans which would be developed locally similar to the Neighbourhood Plans in England.

### **Review of Standing Orders/Code of Conduct**

A new guidance on Community Council Code of Conduct was issued by the Ombudsman with a request for councillors to familiarise themselves with.

### **Surgery Date**

The next Surgery Date is Monday, 1 June, 2015 at 6.30 in Broad Haven Village Hall. Councillors on duty will be Cllrs Joan Phillips and Lawrence Hughes.

### **Boardwalk Update**

Work has begun on cutting back the brambles around the fruit trees and Hayley Barratt, PCNPA, will be giving a hand pruning the trees. Some of the old decking boards have been used to make bird boxes and the group were delighted to see that one is already occupied.

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Keep Wales Tidy has issued grant money to purchase wild flower meadow seeds. The meadow area will be marked off and the Clerk will advise Down to Earth Landscaping in order that they do not strim the area.

### Annual Return

The Annual Return was internally audited this month and a copy of the Accounting Statement issued to all Councillors. A Notice has been displayed on the Council website giving information and dates for the Exercise of Electors Rights.

### Register of Member's Interest Form

Councillors were asked to update their Register of Member's Interest for the Council's files.

### Planning Applications

<b>NP/15/0209/FUL</b>	Ext and Alterations to include raising roof, new dormer, roof lights, side extension and alteration to fenestration. Demolish/rebuild of garage. Cliff Cottage, SA62 3JP .	Support
<b>NP/15/0071/FUL</b>	Plot 1 Blocket Lane revised plans.	Support
<b>NP/15/0193/FUL</b>	Single Storey rear/side ext to include rear roof walkway September Cottage, 8 Marine Road,Broad Haven,SA62 3	NB 1

### NP/15/0193/FUL

A number of issues were raised by the Council and adjoining property when this application first came before the Council and provided these have been addressed the Council is happy to support the application.

### Finance

Broad Haven Village Hall Standing Order	180.00
Little Haven Village Hall	180.00
Clerk's salary £291.20 plus expenses	321.73
Sundry Item	21.00
Cleddau Press May Issue	242.50
SWALEC Unmetered Christmas Lighting	8.06
Zurich Municipal Insurance	393.06
Litmania Ltd	67.20
Agriweld - Support the Boardwalk Project	9434.40
Payments authorised by Cllrs Phillips and Whitewright	10,847.95

### END OF MEETING

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 9 pm.

**THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO CONFIRMATION AT THE MEETING TO BE HELD ON 2 JUNE IN THE BOWEN MEMORIAL HALL.**

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Cllr Sue Reynolds [Chair]