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THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT BOWEN MEMORIAL HALL, LITTLE HAVEN, 2 FEBRUARY 2016, AT 7.30 PM

PRESENT

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

VISITORS

Mark Elliott, Head of Public Protection and County Councillor
Huw George, Environmental and Regulatory Services

APOLOGIES

Cllrs Matthew Ford and Ian Whitby,

ADOPT MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes were signed by Susan Reynolds (Chair) as a true record of the meeting held on the 5 January 2016.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest declared.

MATTERS ARISING

Budget Proposal 2016/2017

A Meeting was held on 14 January by the Business Subcommittee in order to identify the Havens commitments and maintenance requirements for April 2016/2017. The Committee proposed that the council continue to fulfil their existing responsibilities by ensuring there were adequate contingency funds available for work identified over the year as follows:

- Play Park maintenance and equipment replacement
- Little Haven Hall maintenance allowance
- Broad Haven Hall maintenance allowance
- Shelter maintenance and/or replacement when necessary
- Boardwalk maintenance allowance
- Community Grass Cutting Areas
- Church Yard Grass Cutting Allowances
- Trafalgar Terrace Car Park maintenance
- Broad Haven/Little Haven Festive Lighting contributions
- The Havens Diary Printing Allowance.

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Plus ring fence funds for critical areas such as the Play Park equipment replacement and the Trafalgar Terrace car park maintenance.

The proposed Budget also recommended that the yearly maintenance allowances for the following should be increased in recognition of increasing costs over the last few years:

- Church Yards Grass Cutting
- Village Halls Maintenance
- Boardwalk Maintenance Contribution.

The subcommittee proposed that the precept for the year should be £24,000 giving an equivalent band D of £30.89 per year. Cllr Sue Reynolds (Chair) proposed the Council accept the recommendations and this was seconded by Cllr Joan Phillips.

The resulting budget for 2016/2017 can be viewed on the Council website.

Support the Boardwalk Cinder Path Proposal

Cllr Mark Burch fed back on the information requested in January. He advised the meeting that the STB Group are in the process of evaluating proposals and quotations for the replacement of the final part of the boardwalk/viewing area and the funds donated by the Raymond Bros will go towards the cost of this work.

In response to the STB Group's proposal for repairs/drainage to the Cinder Path the Council will increase this year's Boardwalk maintenance allowance to £1500 to be used towards these repairs.

AGENDA ITEMS

No Smoking Policy

Cllr Susan Reynolds (Chair) welcomed Mark Elliott, Head of Public Protection and County Councillor and Huw George, Environmental and Regulatory Services from Pembrokeshire County Council to the meeting.

Mark and Huw's objectives are to make the Pembrokeshire population more healthy. They discussed the enormous amount of money taken up plus the burden put on the National Health Service due to lifestyle choices, one of which being smoking. They pointed out that around 21% of the population still smoke and the aim is to reduce this to 5%.

It is estimated that every day the equivalent of one classroom full of youngsters start smoking and if we can change their attitude/views before they are 18 years old they will not start. Stopping youngsters smoke can only be done by showing them it is not normal to smoke.

Mark and Huw feel that to achieve these objectives we need to normalise no smoking and with this in mind they are proposing a pilot 'smoke free policy' in Wales. This will not be law, but a voluntary policy, aimed at making 'no smoking' the norm.

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Mark and Huw put forward Little Haven Beach as a starting point. This would make Little Haven the first beach to adopt a Smoke Free Policy. They pointed out that Brighton had thought about it for some time but had failed to get it off the ground.

Councillors expressed support for the proposal and asked whether it should be applied to both Broad Haven and Little Haven as both beaches fall within the Havens Community. Mark pointed out that Little Haven would be the ideal starting point as it had one access to the beach and people wishing to smoke would not have to go far to leave the beach.

The Council discussed the proposal and are very keen to get involved. They would like the scheme to be marketed as The Havens, and the policy rolled over to Broad Haven once the Little Haven pilot has got off the ground. Pembrokeshire County Council will organise a sign for the slipway and request Theresa Owen, Director of Public Health to do the launch. Mark and Huw told the Council that being the first No Smoking Beach in the UK will attract a lot of publicity for the area and pointed out that following a discussion in the cabinet recently there was a Radio City phone in on the subject.

County Councillor Peter Morgan was asked to feedback to Mark and Huw and ask them to get the policy up and running in Little Haven as soon as possible.

Broad Haven Beach/Predict and Protect Model

The Clerk advised the meeting that the Predict and Protect Model is being run at Poppit Sands and Newport at present. Rod Thomas, Senior Environmental Officer has asked Eleanor Howlett, Natural Resources Wales, if Broad Haven can be included for 2016. If accepted Diana Turbervill, PCC, will arrange a meeting with Councillors to organise the procedures required to implement the model.

Little Haven Flood Alleviation Scheme

Emyr Williams invited members of the Council to visit Amroth to consider an alternative flood alleviation scheme that has been implemented on Amroth beach. The meeting is planned for Monday, 8 February at 2pm.

Broad Haven Hazards/Street Lighting

The Clerk brought to the attention of the meeting that a number of hazards were reported throughout the month as follows

- Flooding in the road outside the Royal Hotel - this problem has existed ever since the Water Board put in a road to the pumping station. This has been reported to the Water Board in the past and will be reported again together with requesting assistance from PCC.
- Danger posed by the split level pavement in Marine Road where white edging lines have worn away - reported to PCC.
- Intermittent failure of lighting to the rear of the Ocean Car Park - unfortunately this lighting is on private land and will have to be dealt with by the Management Co.

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Community Grass Cutting Tender

Tender documents for the Community Grass Cutting areas will be issued on Monday, 8 February 2016. Submissions will be evaluated at the next Council Meeting.

The Clerk advised the Council that notification had been received from Pembrokeshire County Council advising that the number of cuts carried on the PCC Grass Cutting areas may be reduced during 2016.

School Governor

Cllr Susan Reynolds has retired from School Governor (Community Council representative) after eight years on the Board. Cllr Charlotte AlexandER will take over the role at the next Governors' meeting.

Queens 90th Birthday Celebrations

The Council have asked the Clerk to contact both Broad Haven and Little Haven Hall Committees to discuss their plans for the Queens 90th Birthday Celebrations with a view to donating funds to their planned activities.

Planning Applications

NP/16/0019/FUL	Garage conversion and extension 29 Millmoor Way, Broad Haven, SA62 3JJ	Support
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Planning Results

NP/15/0668/FUL	New single storey rear extension including demolition of existing rear conservatory. 4 Strawberry Close, Little Haven, SA62 3US	Granted
NP/15/0625/FUL	Erecting flue on the side of the house for Woodburning stove, 5 Sea Bird Close, St Brides Road, SA62 3UQ	Granted

Finance

Broad Haven Village Hall	180.00	SO
Little Haven Village Hall	180.00	SO
Clerk's salary £291.20 plus expenses	326.94	
Cleddau Press February Issue	200.00	
Playdale Playgrounds	409.80	
Payments authorised by Cllrs Phillips and Whitewright	1296.74	

END OF MEETING

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 9.30 pm.

THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO CONFIRMATION AT THE MEETING TO BE HELD ON 1 MARCH IN BROAD HAVEN VILLAGE HALL AT 7PM.

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