

# THE HAVENS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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## DECISIONS OF THE ANNUAL MEETING HELD IN BOWEN MEMORIAL ON: Tuesday 7 May 2024 AT 7.00 PM

### PRESENT:

**In Person:** Cllrs H Jones (Chair), C Alexander (Vice-Chair), S Bell, G Bevan, V Grey, S Reynolds and C Stephens.

**Online:** Cllr K Sturman

### To accept apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr L Kother

### 1. To receive Chairs report for year ended 31 March 2024

The Chair presented his report for the year ended 31 March 2024 noting that 'Our AGM is a time to reflect on the last year and all we have achieved as a council despite the many challenges we have faced. My first meeting as chair saw our then clerk resign, which saw us work with several temporary clerks before the appointment of Jackie. Sadly, our County Councillor, Peter, Morgan was taken ill which restricted our ability in managing our relationship with Pembrokeshire County Council, whilst long serving councillor Mark Burch also resigned on health lines.

Unusually, we also held 5 public meetings this year, which included the new Mill Bay homes development, Sandbanks 'local lets' policy, Haroldston Woods, St Madocs Church and The Havens Nature Recovery Plan.

Despite the challenges I believe we have worked well as a team to deliver on our promised business plan. Our coffee mornings and community lunches have proved a big hit while the Christmas lights in both Little and Broad Haven continue to attract positive feedback. The Book Share is already being used and the Little Haven Interactive Boards are scheduled to be in place any day.

Thanks to careful financial planning our playpark has undergone a major up-grade and after a number of years of talks we are close to finalising the boules pit.

A highlight of the year for me was the launch of our defib training which was attended by a good number of the community. I believe this is a great initiative, which we should run on an annual basis, as it can only be good for the community.

I would like to thank all councillors for their contribution to this year's work. I hope you take on your responsibilities and roles with as much energy in the coming year as I really think we are building something special.

### 2. To elect a Chair

Nominated by Cllr V Grey; Seconded by Cllr S Bell

Approved by a show of hands

### RESOLVED

That Cllr H Jones be elected as Chair and he subsequently completed a Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

### 3. To elect a Vice-Chair

Nominated by Cllr G Bevan; Seconded by Cllr H Jones

Approved by a show of hands

**RESOLVED**

That Cllr C Alexander be elected as Vice-Chair.

**4. To consider and adopt Standing Orders and Finance Regulations**

Having been circulated in advance of the meeting, it was **RESOLVED** to adopt the Standing Orders and Finance Regulations at this time with a review to take place at a future meeting.

**5. To agree future Council meeting policy**

Cllrs agreed to review holding future meetings via hybrid.

**6. Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest raised.

**7. Any Other Business**

That the following Committees had been set up:

Personnel Committee: Cllrs C Alexander, L Kother and K Sturman.

Appeals Committee: Cllrs A Devonald, V Grey and S Bell.

That the Budget meetings commence in September 2024.

That the Register of Interests and Declarations of Interest be updated.

That the Minutes of the previous Annual meeting held on 2 May 2023 be **APPROVED** as a correct record.

**The Annual Meeting ended at 19:21hrs**