

## **ROSEMARKET COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of meeting held at the Village Hall, Rosemarket on Monday 05/03/07**

**Apologies :** None

**Present :** C'llrs June Crook, Barbara Summons M.B.E., David Barra, David Wildman, Evelyn Poar, Rhys Jones, Tony Young (Chairman), Alan Taylor (Vice-chairman), Peter Horton (Clerk).

#### **Minutes of the February monthly meeting**

**Matters Arising.** These were amended to show that C'lr June Crook had helped with refreshments at the December Community Council meeting, not the Ho-Ho-House competition.

With these amendments, the minutes were agreed as a true record, and signed by the Chairman (Proposer C'lr Barbara Summons, seconder C'lr Evelyn Poar ).

#### **Matters arising**

**Westaway Park.** C'lr David Wildman had met with an officer from P.C.C. about the green area, and explained to him that no action could be taken by the Community Council until control of the land had been transferred. It was hoped that the matter would be resolved soon.

**Beacon trees.** C'lr June Crook had been contacted by the householder on the Beacon, saying that she had contacted the person who had chopped the trees down, and asked them to come and remove them from the hedgerow. However, she had also commented that other people had been dumping material there too. C'lr Barbara Summons mentioned that other trees further down the lane were also causing safety problems, due to overhanging problems. C'lr David Wildman mentioned that P.C.C. could send a letter to the relevant householder about this issue, and agreed to pursue the matter.

**Odd job man.** C'lr Alan Taylor to provide an advertisement draft for the In Touch, and pass this to C'lr David Wildman.

**Village Hall.** C'lr Barbara Summons mentioned the problems with recruiting Members for the Committee, due for consideration at the forthcoming AGM. It was confirmed that C'lr Barbara Summons was the formal representative on the Village Hall Committee for the Community Council. She commented that new individuals were needed on the committee, and asked Members to give this consideration. The separate matter of appointing a Community Council Church representative to be placed on the May 2007 A.G.M. agenda, with a preliminary discussion to be tabled for the April meeting agenda.

**Age Concern.** C'lr Barbara Summons mentioned that some members of the Wednesday Afternoon Club had made entries into the competition arranged by Age Concern, and some winning entries were currently on display in the Haverfordwest Library.

**Dwelling and garage on the Beacon.** C'lr Alan Taylor mentioned that the recent application submitted at The Beacon had been rejected by the Local Planning Authority. Some Members felt that this was indicative of an inconsistent approach towards developments in the locality, with some other larger developments having been granted consent in seemingly similar circumstances.

**Domain name.** C'lr Alan Taylor mentioned that the matter was still in hand.

**Shipping Lane.** Members were informed that it was thought that the lane owner was making some form of payment to P.C.C. for the work being undertaken on the lane. However, no specific details were available. C'lr David Wildman to ask for estimates to

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be provided for remedial works at Bastleford Lane. Members discussed briefly the exact nature of work required, especially in relation to drainage of surface water from the lane, but reached no definite conclusions.

#### **Discussion of problem of litter in village**

C'lr Barbara Summons mentioned the problem of litter picking by P.C.C. not being carried out effectively, with some areas being covered effectively, but others not at all. It was suggested that the boundaries of the areas covered might benefit from an overhaul. C'lr David Wildman distributed copies of a recent Cabinet Notice of Motion relating to litter collection manpower levels. This was intended to show the extent of work already being undertaken by the Authority. C'lr David Wildman drew particular attention to the number of people being used for this work. He also mentioned that an item about the problem was due to be placed into a forthcoming 'Pride in Pembrokeshire' newsletter, and he also suggested placing an item in the In Touch.

C'lr Barbara Summons mentioned a problem with a report made to the P.C.C. about one specific recent incident of illegal littering. She had been told that without an actual photograph of the offence being committed, no action could be taken.

Members agreed that the Clerk should write a letter for inclusion in the In Touch, drawing attention to the problems of roadside dumping, litter thrown from car windows, plastic bottles, etc. Letter to mention that the Community Council is concerned at a seeming lack of concern and pride in the Community. Letter draft to be passed to C'lr David Wildman for the In Touch, with a draft to be sent to C'lr Tony Young for approval. Letter to also mention the vacant odd-job man position.

#### **Discussion of Beacon access**

C'lr David Wildman expressed the view that it might be better to leave the matter in abeyance until such time as an actual problem should arise. C'lr Tony Young felt that the right of access should be used regularly, to avoid possible future problems. The Clerk informed Members of the outcome of his discussion with the Rights of Way Officer. He had confirmed that the route was not currently on the definitive map as a public right of way. He had said that local people would need to submit claims of usage over a long period of time, which claims would then be considered by the Authority. He said that recent legislation made a successful claim for vehicular usage difficult. It would need to be established beyond reasonable doubt that the route had been used by vehicles prior to 1935. C'lr David Barrah mentioned the importance of maintaining the right to vehicular access. It was suggested to recommend that P.C.C. should continue using the access at least a couple of times a year. Members discussed various items of anecdotal evidence that the lane had been used over a long period of time. Members agreed to pursue the official claim for registering a public right of way. Clerk to obtain the necessary forms prior to the next meeting (proposer C'lr Alan Taylor, seconder C'lr David Barrah). Also, Members agreed that C'lr David Barrah would check on the official status of the Beacon, whether classed as a common or a village green.

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#### **Correspondence**

- 1) Planed – Community Draft Action Plan for consideration – Passed to C’lr June Crook for perusal. Matter left in abeyance until further communications received from Planed.
- 2) Pembrokeshire Crossroads – Request for financial assistance – deferred to May 2007 meeting.
- 3) Soil Association – Invitation to a public meeting on reducing carbon footprints, to be held in Lampeter on 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 2007 at 4pm – noted.
- 4) All Pembrokeshire Cruse – Request for financial assistance – deferred until May 2007 meeting.
- 5) W.A.G. – Information on forthcoming legislation banning smoking in public places – noted, and information passed to C’lr Barbara Summons for use in the Village Hall.
- 6) Age Concern / P.C.C. / W.A.G. – Invitation to 50+ conference due to be held in Withybush Pavilion on Friday March 16<sup>th</sup> 2007 at 10am – noted.
- 7) P.A.L.C. – Subscription renewal notice – Deferred to Accounts.
- 8) NatWest Bank – Notification of refunding of bank charges – noted.
- 9) W.A.G. – Information on Strategy for Older People in Wales – noted.
- 10) P.C.C. – Information / invitation to forthcoming training session on playground inspection – noted, as date for training had now passed.
- 11) W.A.G. – Information on regulations governing permissible expenditure sums – noted.
- 12) P.A.V.S. – Volunteer Bulletin – Passed to C’lr Barbara Summons for noticeboard.
- 13) W.A.G. – Information on Fire and Rescue National Framework (Wales) 2005 (Revisions) Order 2007 and Intervention Protocol – noted.
- 14) Clerks & Councils Direct – Magazine - circulated to Members.

#### **Accounts**

##### **Payments**

P.A.L.C. for annual subscription : £25

##### **Funds on hand**

These were £2265 prior to the above payments, including £169-27 in the Children’s fund.

Clerk to explore options regarding insurance of laptop computer.

The above items were approved (Proposer C’lr Alan Taylor, seconder C’lr Rhys Jones).

#### **Plans**

##### **Consents / refusals of consents issued.**

**06/46/PA (Extension for granny flat, Brambles Cottage, Barn Lane, Rosemarket) –**  
Approved subject to conditions.

**06/1204/PA (Outline permission for Plots 11,13,24 The Glades) –** Outline permission granted.

**06/1234/PA (Renovation and extension, Upper Crossing Cottage, Rosemarket) –**  
Permission granted.

**06/1091/PA (Dwelling and garage, Plot at The Beacon, Rosemarket) –** Permission refused.

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#### **Any other business**

**‘Pride in our Community’.** C’lir Barbara Summons mentioned an advertisement placed in the Western Telegraph by P.C.C., offering to place a skip in the community. C’lir David Wildman offered to investigate what it was involved. Matter to be placed on agenda for further discussion in April.

#### **Public Forum**

There were no members of the public present who wished to address the meeting.

The meeting concluded at 8-30pm. Next meeting, Monday April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2007, 7-15pm.