

ROSEMARKET COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held at the Village Hall, Rosemarket on Monday 06/07/09

Apologies : C’lrr Tony Young.

Present : C’llrs Evelyn Poar, Barbara Summons, M.B.E., David Wildman, Alan Taylor (Chairman); Peter Horton (Clerk).

Minutes of the June monthly meeting

The minutes were agreed as an accurate record, and signed by the Chairman (Proposer C’lrr Evelyn Poar, seconder C’lrr Barbara Summons).

Matters arising.

Japanese Knotweed. Members were informed that this was still standing, and questions had been raised about the efficacy of the weedkiller.

Bus shelter. Painting work had been carried out on the bus shelter, but graffiti had been sprayed onto it again only two days afterwards. C’lrr Evelyn Poar suggested that a request to the Community Police Officer to visit those thought to be responsible might be a good idea.

Planned address on Village issues

The Chairman welcomed Miss. Kathy Jones from Planed to the meeting. She addressed the meeting on an initiative called ‘The Community is the Hub’. She mentioned a number of local community councils that formed a ‘hub’ for the purposes of this exercise (i.e. Rosemarket, Burton, Llanstadwell, Llangwm, Hook, Freystrop, Johnston, Neyland). An ‘Area Development Plan’ was under consideration which was hoped to bring benefits to the local communities within the hub by encouraging co-operative projects and initiatives. A meeting was scheduled for 1st Tuesday in October, to be held in Neyland, to discuss possible specific projects for inclusion in this Plan. There had been four other community hub areas covered to date. In previous areas, typical projects had included communication of community activities in various halls into a programme of events, so as to encourage greater use of community halls. Improving access to some public and community footpath routes on an area basis had also been carried out. A Heritage Centre had been created based in Crymych Hall. Members were informed that a formal invitation letter to the planned meeting would be sent out at the beginning of September.

C’lrr David Wildman commented on the formation of the Area Group, and mentioned that it was at odds with the Liaison Forum group, which did not include Johnston. Miss Jones explained briefly how the Group had been formulated, but said that a meeting was scheduled for Johnston in a few weeks time. She felt that there might be a possibility of altering the Group makeup if necessary. Members generally felt that Johnston, Llangwm, Freystrop and Hook might be better served as a Group of their own.

C’lrr Evelyn Poar asked about any links with the Steps project. Miss Jones mentioned that they were in close liaison with a number of other local initiatives, including the Steps Project.

In conclusion Members thanked Miss Jones for attending the meeting, after which she left the meeting.

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Plans

Applications submitted.

09/0101/PA (proposed development at 3, The Beacon, Rosemarket). C’llr Alan Taylor outlined to Members the 17 separate comments that had been made to the L.P.A. on the proposed development, and these comments met with Members’ general approval. Members agreed that the comments should be inserted in the minutes as a permanent record. [Appendix 'A'](#) and [Appendix 'B'](#) Note was made of the failure of the L.P.A. to acknowledge receipt of the consultation response. C’llr David Wildman informed Members that he understood that a further three week consultation period would now be allowed by the L.P.A. for this application due to anomalies in the description of the development on the previous advertisement. C’llr Alan Taylor suggested that a letter be sent to the L.P.A. requesting that future correspondence from them on specific applications should include their e-mail addresses, and asking that consultation responses should be acknowledged. Letter to be copied to C’llr Jamie Adams.

Consents issued.

09-0081/PA (Riding area / ménage, Middle Bastleford, Rosemarket).

09/0073/PA (shed, south of Bastleford Cottage, Rosemarket).

09/0142/AG (Barn, field at Furze Farm, Rosemarket).

Accounts

Internal audit

Members were informed that the internal audit had been satisfactorily completed by Mrs. Gill Gill. Members approved a £25 payment to Mrs. Gill for the work undertaken.

Audit form

Members approved the completed Statement of Accounts (section 1), and the completed Annual Governance Statement (section 2). The form was signed and dated by the Chairman and Clerk in the requisite places.

Exercise of Electors’ rights. The form advertising the right of Electors to view the completed accounts was passed to the Chairman for display in the Noticeboard from 17th-30th August 2009.

Payments

Stephen Thomas (for school playground)	:	£690-00
Clara.net	:	£ 63-85
Gill Gill (for internal audit)	:	£ 25-00
Clerk (expenses)	:	£ 35-00
Diana Taylor (For new Council Administration book)	:	£ 56-95
Home Maintenance Services (for bus shelter repairs)	:	£228-15
In Touch	:	£300-00

The above items were approved by Members (Proposer C’llr Evelyn Poar, seconder Barbara Summons).

Correspondence

- 1) Clerks & Councils Direct magazine – Circulated to Members.
- 2) Ombudsman – Report 2008/09 – noted.

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- 3) P.A.L.C. – Welsh Language Scheme – Clerk to arrange translation of the scheme.
- 4) C’lr David Wildman – Notification of forthcoming meeting of S.W. Area Liaison Forum, to be held at Milford Haven Town Hall, 21st September, 7pm – noted.
- 5) P.C.C. – Notification of Cabinet decisions on proposed boundary changes, to include the annexation of Jordanston into Rosemarket C.C. area, but not to include the amalgamation of Llanstadwell and Neyland – noted. Members were informed that a map would follow in due course.
- 6) Stephen Thomas (solicitor) – Draft transfer for school playground, and request for £690 to cover administrative and legal costs – Members approved the payment.

Discussion of speeding and footpath issues on The Beacon

C’lr David Wildman informed Members that he had been approached by a local resident concerned about speeding along the road from the Beacon, and the possible danger to pedestrians, such as children walking for the school bus. Members agreed that a speed check be requested from P.C.C. C’lr David Wildman undertook to ask for this to be done. C’lr Barbara Summons thought that a warning sign might be a good idea, though it was not sure where it could readily be sited. Members decided to await the results of the speed survey before considering any further recommendations.

Discussion of timing of donations to In Touch

Members were agreed that the £300 precepted figure should be paid immediately (approved under ‘Accounts’).

Any other business

Bridge on Neyland Road. C’lr Barbara Summons commented on the overgrown bridge and surrounding areas.

C’lr Barbara Summons. Congratulations were offered to C’lr Summons on her recent birthday, as highlighted in ‘In Touch’.

Website. Members were reminded of the existence of the website, the information thereon, and the associated e-mail addresses available for the use of Members and the Clerk.

Public forum

There were no members of the public present.

The meeting concluded at 8-10pm. Next meeting, Monday 7th September, 2009, 7pm.