

CAREW COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Carew Community Council held on Wednesday 13th October 2021 at 7 pm in the Meetings Room of Carew Memorial Hall

Present: Cllr Marina Griffiths (Chair) Cllr Trevor Goodman
County Councillor Paul Rapi Cllr Vanessa Thomas
Cllr Pat Gibby Cllr Gwenllian Head

Apologies: Cllr Rev Joel Barder Cllr Sarah Benbow
Cllr Andrew Blayney Cllr Marcia Allen

Minutes of the last meeting - It was proposed by Cllr Head and seconded by County Councillor Rapi that the minutes were a true record and they were duly signed.

Matters Arising:

1. White line painting appears to have been completed in the Village along with double yellow lines reapplication.
2. Outstanding is the sign at Knapp Lane – to be kept under review.
3. Surface redressing erosion reported to PCC at Carew Inn Junction.
Also PCC to be informed that following surface redressing grass is growing up through the tarmac in Redberth Village.
4. County Councillor Rapi to pursue an update on the dog foul/litter bins from PCC and when the Community Council can expect delivery.
5. Councillor Brock's piece to Tenby Observer and Clerks & Councils direct has been submitted
6. Play Areas – PCC has confirmed receipt of the Service Level Agreement for the Play Areas. In response to the Community Council's enquiry as to whether any further documentation will be required this will be addressed by the relevant officers when they return from annual leave. The Community Council have also asked if planning permission would be required for any replacement play equipment if necessary.
7. Enhancing Pembrokeshire Grant – Following successfully passing the Expression of Interest phase for this Grant it is noted that the time frame for submitting the full application (22nd November) is very tight. Following discussion it was agreed to continue to work through the full grant application but to submit it next year with a roll over of three years 2nd home tax in the Parish after the May election. During the time from now til end of January Councillors asked to make a start on the application.
8. Benches & Planters received.
9. Welsh Water/Dwr Cymru contacted regarding the discharge into drain by Sageston Water Works and are looking into it.
10. Also the fence at the boundary of the leased land with Dwr Cymru at Milton Marsh Walk has been assigned to their Estates Department to look into.

Queens Platinum Anniversary Celebrations –

Awaiting confirmation from Band & caterers for evening of Saturday 4th June 2020 evening to confirm they will “Save the Date” .

Casual Vacancies - PCC contacted as to whether any applications have been made. If no Casual Vacancies applications received then it is understood that the next step is to fill the posts via Co-option.

Planning: The following planning applications were received from PCNPA:

NP/21/0448/FUL - Creation of opening to allow access into field for farming machinery – Field at Rosemary Lane, Cresselly, Kilgetty, SA68 0TA. Councillors had reviewed the application and there were no adverse comments made nor any obvious grounds for refusal identified. Councillors to recommend to PCNPA that this application be granted.

21/0268/PA - Two storey side extension comprising a garage and two bedrooms above and within roof space at 29 Bartletts Well Road, Carew Park, Sageston, Tenby SA708SW , Councillors noted that notification had been received by PCC that this application has been refused by PCC.

Correspondence – Clerk confirmed that she has forwarded to Councillors the OVW Training dates for October, Solva Care Annual Report, OVW Newsbrief/Newsletter, Good Administration & Good record management from OVW, Consultation on local 2nd homes & self catering accommodation from OVW, Establishing a Community Fridge via OVW.

Bank Balances - Current account £8884.42 (includes Precept of £4,000 received from PCC on 8th September 2021).

Business Premium account £4719.04

Invoices for payment:

- i) Cllr Goodman’s invoice for replacement chain saw chain & wheelbarrow wheel. £21.
- ii) Website Annual Hosting Fee- £60
- iii) All the Seasons Garden Services - £70 (cutting back Milton Marsh walk path)
- iv) Carew Castle Estates ½ year field rent - £750. (clerk confirmed that the invoice had been sent to Carew Sports Club as this half year payment falls to Carew Sports Club)
- v) Hall Fees from Carew Memorial Hall Committee - £98.

It was proposed by Cllr Thomas and seconded by Cllr Head that the above invoices be paid.

Communication received from Carew Senior Citizens Committee who , following a meeting, have once again decided that holding the Carew Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch in Carew Memorial Hall is not feasible given the current climate. Therefore the Committee has agreed to provide a ‘Take away’ meal as last year to the senior citizens in the Parish who request it. This will take place on Saturday 27th November. The Committee ask for a donation towards the cost of providing the meal which last year catered for 98 residents. Noted is that the help of Community Councillors in deliveries of the meals would be appreciated.

Following discussion it was proposed by County Councillor Paul Rapi that £350 be paid (the same as last year) and this was seconded by Cllr Goodman. All present agreed

Payments made via monthly Standing Order and Direct Debit - West Wales Systems £40.80 & Clerks Salary £162.74. Noted.

Communication received from Site Manager at Carew Castle asking for the Community Council's observations on PCNPA removing the bins from the picnic site over the winter to try to deter vermin. The Site Manager and staff will monitor the litter situation and put the bins back as needed.

Councillors discussed this at length. The following observations made are -

1. The "Round the Mill" walk is used extensively throughout the year and not just in the tourist season and it is very popular with residents and visitors alike.
2. The bins are well used and the likelihood of littering of the picnic area through lack of refuse bins is high.

Work completed on the Carding Mill in Milton Marsh Walk. Invoice awaited.

Christmas Dinner - Councillors discussed Community Council Christmas dinner. Clerk to obtain menus of venues doing Christmas dinners for next meeting.

Telephone Boxes – West Williamson & Whitehill

Communication received from resident in West Williamson asking whether the kiosk can be used for a swap box for books and if they can repaint the telephone box. Following discussion Community Councillors have no objection to the kiosk being used for this purpose. Also in the first instance Clerk to ascertain whether the paint can be obtained from BT free or to purchase following the paint specifications already received from BT.

Also the kiosk in Whitehill which accommodates the defibrillator is in need of repainting. Similarly Clerk to ascertain whether paint can be obtained free or purchased from BT.

Both these telephone kiosks have been acquired from BT via the Adopt-A-Kiosk scheme.

Next Parish Environment Group meeting: Following discussion the following was agreed:

To meet at War Memorial in Carew on Saturday 16th October at 10 am to clear up around the Cenotaph.

Also agreed was to meet on Saturday 23rd October 2021 at 10 am to put together the planters and benches in readiness for placing in their permanent position.

County Councillors Report:

County Councillor Rapi provided information on the Boundary Commission Report and the joining of the two Wards of Carew and Jeffreyton. He also outlined the impact on the further work this would involve. He also outlined how other local Town and Community Council Wards are being divided and joined up.

County Councillor Rapi provided information on the tremendous work being done at Sageston School and he looks forward to visiting the School very soon.

County Councillor informed of items in the meeting of Schools & Learning he attended and the problems with school numbers in communities near to Carew and the reasons for falling figures.

County Councillor Rapi will continue to pursue the provision of the two dual purpose dog & litter bins with PCC.

He will also pursue with PCC measures to address the Milton Traffic Concerns as outlined by PCC in March this year which have not yet been initiated.

Carew Newton Quarry - County Councillor Rapi was made aware that residents had not received notification of the recent major works at the Quarry. He will continue to obtain updates from the Minerals Officer and ensure that the Right of Way around the Quarry has not been impeded.

County Councillor Rapi was also made aware of the difference in water charges in Carew Park. Monthly rates differ greatly in an estate of the same Council Tax banding and without water metres. Further information to be obtained from Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water.

Remembrance Services - Councillors were informed that the Remembrance Service at the War Memorial will be at 11 am on Sunday 14th November 2021. There will then be a service at St Marys Church, Carew Cheriton afterwards at 11.45.

Date and Time of next meeting - The date and time of next meeting will be Wednesday 10th November 2021 at 7 pm in the Committee Room of Carew Memorial Hall.

Chair thanked all for attending and declared the meeting closed .

Signed:

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The next meeting of Carew Community Council will be held on Wednesday 10th November 2021 at 7 pm in the Meetings Room of Carew Memorial Hall.

AGENDA

1. Apologies for absence
2. Minutes of the last meeting – October 2021
3. Matters Arising
4. Casual Vacancies – Co-option
5. Play Areas
6. Community Council Christmas Dinner – Carew Inn probably not doing Christmas dinner menu
7. Planning
8. Carew Newton Cemetery revision of brochure & regulations.
9. Correspondence
10. County Councillors Report
11. Parish Environment Group meeting - Saturday 13th November 2021
12. Date and Time of next meeting - Wednesday 8th December 2021 at 7 pm.

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Matters Arising & “What’s Been Happening”

Following meeting of 13th October 2021

Item 4 on Agenda - Casual Vacancies – Email from PCC stating there have been no request has been made to hold an election within the prescribed time period which expired on 14th October. Go to Co-option now. The email has been forwarded.

As no response from Dwr Cymru I contacted Natural Resources Wales about the Drain Force vans discharging their tanks into the drain at the Ford by the Sewerage works who are looking into this and ask for any photos of the actions. They advise not to approach the operatives directly !!

update - an officer from Natural Resources Wales visited the area on 3rd November to investigate the issue. I doubt he would have found any evidence so Councillors please be vigilant and send me photos if you can. Be mindful not to approach the operatives as directed above.

Redberth - Darren Thomas has forwarded to Area Maintenance Team to investigate the grass growing through the surface redressing at Redberth Village.

There are currently two speed surveys through Redberth to Sageston junction. The equipment will be in place until 11th November.

Information forwarded to Councillors :-

One Voice Wales Pembrokeshire Community and Town Council Projects Officer

Queens Platinum Anniversary Jubilee Beacons

Pembrokeshire Coastal Forum

Fields in Trust

Emails from Dave Astins on Carew Play Area

CWBR Project Update for T&CC's - Youth Resources and 2022 from Abi Marriott

Welsh Government Defibrillator fund – OVW

Active Travel Plans - OVW

Item 5 on Agenda - Play areas update circulate email from Dave Astins re SLA. Invoice awaited. I have asked Tony Dunn to look at fixing the fence in the Carew Play Area.

Enhancement Grant - Email from PCC confirming that the next submission date for full applications after November 2021 will be after the elections in May. I have circulated this email to Councillors.

Carew Newton Cemetery - There has been a request for reopening of grave of Mr Kretschmar as his wife has recently died and wished to be buried with him . This has been agreed. EC Thomas undertaking the funeral arrangements. The burial will take place on Monday 8th November 2021. A test will be made on the grave by the funeral directors to ascertain whether this is a single or double depth grave. If single depth then a fresh grave will be opened in a next-in-line basis to the right of the Cemetery path.

All the Seasons Garden Services have confirmed that the last cut of the season in the three sites with in the Parish has been done. The hedges in Carew Newton Cemetery will be cut on or around 2nd November weather permitting. The invoice for this plus grass cutting from August to October and the Milton Marsh walk cutting back of the paths will be submitted in time for the next meeting on 10th November. (Update as of 3 11 21 - Cutting back hedges at Carew Newton Cemetery delayed due to works vehicle issues).

to be continued when further information available -

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as at 3rd November 2021