

BURTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the monthly meeting held at the Jubilee Hall, Houghton on Wednesday 5th September 2018

Present: Cllrs Alun Williams, Robin Howells, Derek Jones, John Evans, Laurence Price, Iain Wood, Michael Pettit, Scott Sinclair (vice-Chair), John Mathias; Peter Horton (Clerk).
Apologies: C'llrs Paddy McNamara, Nia Phillips

In the absence of the Chairman, the meeting was chaired by the vice-Chair, C'lr Scott Sinclair.

Declarations of known interests

C'lr Robin Howells declared a personal but non-prejudicial interest in the agenda item on parking problems in New Wells Road.

Minutes of July 2018 monthly meeting

The minutes were agreed as an accurate record, and signed by the Chairman (proposer C'lr John Evans, seconder C'lr Michael Pettit).

Matters Arising

Signage. C'lr John Mathias had obtained five signs, some of which had been put up on the playing field and playpark. He had given a further one to C'lr Nia Phillips to put up in Hill Mountain.

Sandy Bear. Information still awaited from C'lr Nia Phillips.

Toby Price Plaque. This was with C'lr Laurence Price to be sited.

Sign, wall of Trinity House. The Clerk informed Members that this had been chased up with Highways, and a holding response received. Clerk to chase up again.

Ashdale Lane speed monitoring. Members were informed that the results were still awaited from the survey in July outside 15b Ashdale Lane. Results of both Ashdale Lane surveys to be circulated, and the results from the previous one carried out between Hill Mountain and Sardis to be chased up. Matter to be placed on October meeting agenda for discussion.

Houghton Green bollards. The Clerk confirmed that re-seeding had not been included in the price quoted by P.C.C., but that a revised quotation was still awaited. Matter to be re-visited in October. Matter to be placed on October agenda for discussion.

Vale Road development. C'lr Laurence Price informed Members that the developers had carried out some work on removal of a boundary hedge, and its replacement with a Pembrokeshire hedgebank fronting the development.

Noticeboard maintenance/ repairs. Mr. Clive Walters had put some catches on the noticeboard in Houghton as an interim measure. C'lr Laurence Price to continue liaising with Mr. Walters to complete this work, including work to the Bowling's Corner noticeboard too. All quotations to be cleared with the Council via the Clerk.

Plans

Applications

18/0412/PA - Extensions and alterations, 1 Glenfield Park, Burton SA73 1PG – No comment.

18/0299/PA - Conversion of a garage into living room & 1st floor extension above, High Winds, 61, HILL MOUNTAIN, Milford Haven, Pembrokeshire, SA73 1NB – No comment.

18/0512/DC (Discharge of condition 4 of planning permission 09/0556/PA - Phase 2, Barnlake Point, Burton Ferry, Milford Haven, Pembrokeshire, SA73 1PF) – deferred to agenda item below.

18/0511/PA - Residential development (determination of reserved matters of access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale to outline planning permission 09/0556/PA) - Phase 2, Barnlake Point, Burton Ferry, Milford Haven, SA73 1PF – deferred to agenda item below.

Consents issued

18/0219/PA - Variation of condition 7 (scale parameters) of planning permission 09/0556/PA (Residential Development) - Land to west of Phase 1, Phase 2, Barnlake Point, Burton, Milford Haven

18/0252/PA - Alterations & extensions, Robin Hill, 15, Ashdale Lane, LLANGWM, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA62 4NU

18/0299/PA - Conversion of a garage into living room & 1st floor extension above , High Winds, 61, HILL MOUNTAIN, Milford Haven, Pembrokeshire, SA73 1NB

NP/18/0245 - Extension, Hillside Cottage, Burton Road, Hill Mountain SA73 1NH

Correspondence

- 1) P.C.C. – L.D.P.2 informal consultation – noted.
- 2) Pembs. Coastal Forum – newsletter – noted.
- 3) P.C.C. – notification of problem with swings in Houghton Playpark – Noted. Members thought the matter had now been resolved.
- 4) W.G. – Consultation on use of cladding materials in high rise buildings – noted.
- 5) W.G. – Consultation on sustainable housing provision – noted.
- 6) Paul Davies, A.M. – July newsletter – noted.
- 7) Llangwm C.C. – Problems with fly-tipping at Nash Recycling Point – noted.
- 8) P.C.C. – Feedback on recent survey of residents in New Wells Road – dealt with in agenda item below.
- 9) Hywel Dda C.H.C. – N.H.S. report – noted.
- 10) Independent Review Panel – August newsletter – noted.
- 11) W.G. – Consultation on petroleum extraction licencing – noted.
- 12) P.C.C. – Consultation on gambling policy – noted.
- 13) Planed – Invitation to forthcoming rural communities event, Narberth, 11th September – noted.
- 14) P.C.C. – Off street parking variation order consultation – noted.
- 15) Paul Davies – August newsletter – noted.
- 16) St. Mary’s Church, Burton – Request for maintenance works to area around baptismal well – Letter passed to C’lir John Mathias to follow up with the Parochial Church Council, and with One Stop Property Development for another quotation for the needed work, liaising with other members via Clerk as necessary regarding approval for any quotation obtained.
- 17) Hywel Dda C.H.C. – Request for volunteers – noted.
- 18) P.C.C. – Draft charter – Agenda item for October. Clerk to contact P.C.C. to inform them of the need to defer detailed discussion until October, and check with them that this timetable would be acceptable.
- 19) Mrs. Sheila Camplin – Letter re. sewage disposal infrastructure, Houghton & copy of letter sent by her to Stephen Crabb, M.P. – C’lir Laurence Price agreed to undertake necessary clearance of the common land to enable better monitoring of the outfall. Clerk to write to N.R.W. to inform them of the complaints received regarding discharges of sewage into the stream, and ask them for their comments on the legal situation regarding these occurrences. Letter to be copied to Mrs. Camplin, D.C.W.W., County Councillor Rob Summons and Stephen Crabb, M.P.. Matter to be placed on October agenda for discussion.

Accounts

Payments

H.M.R.C. (P.A.Y.E. tax July – September 2018)	:	£195-14
C’lrr John Mathias	:	£90

Precept review

There was a consensus that the matter needed careful examination. The Clerk confirmed that there was no imminent problem, but more long term, the matter needed looking at. It was noted that there would be a regular quarterly budget review in October, and full precept discussion in January.

The above payments were approved by Members (proposer C’lrr Alun Williams, seconder C’lrr John Evans).

Discussion of parking problems, New Wells Road

The survey response from Mr. Rob. Evans of P.C.C. had been circulated round in advance of the meeting. Members felt that there was nothing more that could be done at this time. Matter left in abeyance. Clerk to respond to Rob. Evans to inform him of this decision.

Discussion of new data protection legislation

The Clerk informed Members that he had been unable to register the Community Council as a data controller to date, due to issues with the I.C.O. website.

Discussion of situation with land at Barnlake

Members discussed the two planning consultations relating to the Phase 2 Barnlake development. Clerk to respond to these, emphasising the importance of preserving the public right of access to the recreational area and ensuring that the right of way is maintained at the full width required for vehicular access. Response to also welcome the inclusion in the scheme of a public access to the foreshore.

Regarding the amenity land owned by P.C.C., Clerk to discuss with the Planning Officer handling the Barnlake applications the possibility of exploring some kind of arrangement whereby the developer could be made to upgrade / maintain this area as part of the development proposals currently under consideration.

Discussion of common land issues

Houghton Green.

Covered in Matters Arising above.

Church Lane, Sardis.

It was noted that the common land had been cleared, and Members welcomed this result. C’lrr Iain Wood mentioned that there had been a knock-on effect of much of the removed items now being stored along the roadway. There was a question over whether or not the lane is an adopted highway. Clerk to check on this. It was generally felt that this matter would not be one for the Community Council to involve itself in. Clerk to write to P.C.C. to thank them for the efforts made by the Common Land Officer in achieving a good outcome. Members briefly discussed the possibility of fencing or bollards to prevent a recurrence of the previous problems, and also potential work on the land to create an amenity area for public use. Matter to be placed on the October agenda for discussion of the options.

Discussion of ‘Enhancing Pembrokeshire’ grant funding arrangement

No progress had been made. Matter deferred for consideration in October.

Discussion of highway maintenance issues in Community

The following issues were raised as matters of concern :

Vale Road. C’lr Laurence Price mentioned a subsidence problem in the carriageway opposite the entrance to the new development.

New Wells Road. C’lr Robin Howells mentioned a problem with the roadside ditch having been obliterated by vehicles parking on the roadside area at the Ashdale Lane end of New Wells Road.

Footpath between Hill Mountain and Sardis. C’lr Alun Williams raised an issue with the recurrence of previous problems of encroaching growth and mud obstructing the footpath.

Main Burton Road verge by Houghton playing field. C’lr Derek Jones mentioned a problem with the drop off of the verge at the roadside creating a hazard for road users.

30mph sign at Burton by Brompton Park. C’lr Michael Pettit reported that this sign had still not been replaced.

Clerk to report these issues to P.C.C. for attention.

Discussion of needed maintenance for noticeboards

Covered in ‘Matters Arising’ above.

Public Forum

There were no members of the public present.

Any other business

Bowling’s Corner Postbox. Matter to be placed on October meeting agenda for discussion.

2019 Summer fete in playing field. Matter to be placed on October agenda for discussion.

The meeting ended at 8-50pm. Next meeting, Wednesday 3rd October 2018