



Solva Community Council Cyngor Cymuned Solfach

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 8th April at
6 p.m. via Video Conferencing (Zoom)

Attended by:

Community Councillor's Josh Phillips (Chair), Ifor Thomas, Joe Griffin,
Colin Reynolds.

County Councillor Mark Carter

Clerk & RFO: Bruce Payne

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1. **Welcome and Introduction.** The Chair confirmed a quorum was present and welcomed Mollie Roach, Sandra Young and Lena Dixon to the meeting.
 - a. **The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and the Local Government Act 1972.** The Chair IAW the Act's confirmed that members of the local community had been invited to join the meeting via social media.
 2. **Apologies.** Peter Wilde (Newsletter Editor), Community Councillor's Vicky Barker, John Price, Wendy Wright, Jo Gibbins.
 3. **Declarations of interest - Personal or Prejudicial.** None.

Matters Arising

4. **Agree the Minutes of the meeting held on 4th March 2020.** Agreed and signed.
 - a. All actions were reviewed.
5. **Coronavirus Community Support.**
 - a. **Solva Care & SCC Update.** Lena informed members that Solva Care was working with the Community Council over the lockdown period. Over 50 new volunteers had come forward and Lena had contacted each one to let them know how they could help. These volunteers together with Solva Care volunteers were delivering support (dog walking, collection of prescriptions etc.) over the lockdown period.



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Lena had asked all volunteers to phone those who may be lonely for a chat and ensure they had everything they needed. Hand sanitizer in reusable plastic bottles was available to all volunteers. The Bay View Stores were providing an excellent home delivery service and this was greatly appreciated by residents. Lesley was also providing support to Lena over the lockdown period and all volunteers had both Lena and Lesley's telephone numbers. Mollie informed members she had thanked the Bay View Stores for the outstanding work they were doing to deliver home shopping orders to homes in Solva and St Davids. They also planned to introduce cwtch boxes containing basic groceries with fresh fruit and veg. These would be delivered free of charge (on Monday's and Thursday's) to those who may be vulnerable. Nominations for individuals delivering outstanding achievements during the lockdown would also be invited and presented with a cwtch box. Donations would be requested from local residents (and third sector organisations) to help with the cwtch boxes. Mollie would ask for the number of boxes delivered and if Solva Care could be informed of those who may be vulnerable. **Action Mollie**

- i. **FareShare.** Homeless Pembrokeshire was currently collecting FareShare produce from Tesco in Haverfordwest and asking if Solva would like any. The information was to be passed to the Bay View Stores. **Action Lena/Mollie**
 - ii. **Prescriptions.** Josh had spoken with Solva Surgery who said the Bay View Stores Home delivery service was also helping with the delivery of prescriptions. The surgery praised the Bay View Stores for their work during this crisis.
- b. **Pembrokeshire Incident Management Centre.** Josh confirmed that data/reports requested was and would continue to be passed to the centre.
- i. **Impacts of COVID-19 on Voluntary sector in Pembrokeshire.** PAVS were also questing information and any such reporting should be aligned with the Pembrokeshire Incident Management Centre.
- c. **Local Concerns.**
- i. 2nd home owners and people travelling to Solva over the Easter period – restrictions, compliance & enforcement.



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- ii. Local Footpaths & coastal path - clarity on what was open.
 - iii. Airfield (Whitchurch) – restrictions, compliance & enforcement.
 - iv. Light pollution from Chapel Lane floodlights.
- d. **Report from County Councillor.** Mark spoke about Pembrokeshire concerns with visitors over Easter and:
- i. Challenging 2nd home owners in Solva.
 - ii. Police enforcement.
 - iii. Local concerns reported to Police.
 - iv. Council and Senedd engagement re Easter & beyond.
 - v. Ensure Solva has a filter and protocol systems to ensure Police are not overstretched.
 - vi. Ensure local residents do not deal with matters direct with visitors and 2nd home owners.
 - vii. Consult direct with land owner/s (re confrontation) – **Action Mark**
 - viii. Business relief grants.
 - ix. Recycling collections.
- e. **Chair Report.** Josh spoke about the following:
- i. The issue of 2nd home owners who were already here (in Solva).
 - ii. That community and SCC members must remain vigilant and report and breaches etc. to the Police.
 - iii. **Production of a leaflet** that clearly shows where residents can walk – what paths are open/closed (both public and coastal paths). Clear messages for 2nd home owners, how breaches are reported with contact details. Messages to welcome back visitors and 2nd home owners once the crisis is over. SCC contact details to provide mediation over any such compliance concerns. **Action Josh** (incorporated into Crisis Newsletter – vii)
 - iv. **Production of notices** for noticeboards, Bay View Stores etc. **Action Josh**
 - v. **Clear path signage.** To be posted across private land where appropriate. **Action Josh**
 - vi. **Points of Path access.** To be clarified published and signage posted. **Action Josh**
 - vii. **Crisis Newsletter.** Consolidate all WG messages etc. and other vital information into a newsletter (plus good news stories i.e. Cwtch Boxes) plus links to Solva blog - to be delivered to



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- ever house (including 2nd homes) in Solva ward ASAP. **Action Josh, Ifor & Mollie**
- viii. **Interpretation/Noticeboards.** PCNPA/National Trust to be approached re new boards to be position on carpark footbridge. Dog Fouling information. **Action Josh** (volunteer/s)
- f. **Communications.** Points of contact (Solva Care and SCC) and clear messages re visitors to be published on Social Media and on the SCC website.
6. **Planning.** NTR
7. **Clerk & RFO Report.**
- a. **SCC Bank Balance at end of March 2020.** The balance at 31st March was £21,736.48. Income & Expenditure (actual) for February was presented and agreed by Councillors.
- b. **Budget Review 2019/20.** Expenditure was reviewed against the agreed budget.
- c. **2019/20 Audit & Annual Return.** Audit pack received from Welsh Audit Office. Internal audit to commence on 17 April 2020. External audit to be complete by June 2020.
- d. **Correspondence.** All correspondence had been distributed to members by email.
8. **Public Open Forum.** NTR
9. **AOB.** Nil
10. Date of next meeting.
- a. Wednesday 22nd April 2020 at 6 p.m. via video conferencing (Zoom)

Compiled by:

Bruce Payne (Clerk) 17th April 2020

Signed by: Josh Phillips (Chair)