

## Solva Community Council Cyngor Cymuned Solfach

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2020 at 6 p.m. via Video Conferencing (Zoom)

#### Attended by:

Community Councillor's Josh Phillips (Chair), Ifor Thomas, Vicky Barker, Colin Reynolds,

County Councillor Mark Carter

Clerk & RFO: Bruce Payne

- 1. **Welcome and Introduction**. The Chair welcomed Mollie Roach, Lena Dixon and Sandra Young to the meeting. Josh reminded everyone to mute their audio until they wished to speak.
  - 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 John Price, Wendy Wright, Jo Gibbins, Joe Griffin
- 3. **Declarations of interest Personal or Prejudicial**. None.

#### **Matters Arising**

- 4. **Agree the Minutes of the meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> May 2020**. Agreed and signed.
  - a. All actions were reviewed.
- 5. **Chair Report**. Since the last meeting Josh had chaired a number of SNAKE meetings and met with representatives of the Business Group and other local organisations to discuss WG plans to move out of lockdown using a traffic light guide local meetings would continue to ensure Solva was ready. PCC would be consulted to ensure alignment of such local planning.

On Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> May Josh also attended a Police and Crime Commissioner virtual Public Meeting with other Pembrokeshire residents as part of a virtual community engagement day. A number of current issues were



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discussed including second home owners, travel to Pembrokeshire during lockdown, roadside checks and fines.

Regular liaison with the St Davids Food Bank continued - local residents needing help would be referred to food bank volunteers who were currently providing 80 food parcels per week. Presently, no vetting process was in place and food parcels were sanctioned by those administrating the food bank. Mollie requested the question of vetting was raised and if future vetting was confirmed, the recommended was that it should be carried out by an independent organisation. Action Josh

### 6. Coronavirus Community Support.

- a. **SNAKE update**. Josh spoke about SNAKE responsibilities to clarify any confusion with the remit of Solva Care. Solva Care was a key contributor to SNAKE which had been established by SCC to fulfil their legal obligation as a community council. SNAKE would respond to local needs but did not have the resources to proactively identify specific needs of individuals. Establishing local needs would therefore be supported by establishing the following network:
  - i. **Solva Community Connectors Information Network**. The draft document was complete and would be circulated for comment prior to distribution in the June Newsletter. Action Josh

#### b. Local Concerns.

- i. Lower Solva Carpark Slipway. Concern had been raised that the slipway could be used to launch kayaks or small boats contrary to lockdown policy. PCNPA were consulted and advised that individuals who witness such behaviour to report it to the police ASAP by either calling 101 or going on the relevant police reporting web page. PCNPA would also alert the local PCSO and PCC enforcement officers to conduct spot checks of the car park over the B/H weekend.
- c. **Communications**. Regular updates on Facebook continued with daily updates from PCC, WG and other statutory organisations. Websites were up to date and the June Newsletter was underway.
- 7. **Local Place Packs for Nature**. Funded by Welsh Government, the aim was to create, restore and enhance hundreds of habitats across the country.



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Applications were now open to community groups and organisations looking to help reverse nature's decline. Starter packages for town and community councils (1 each) were available - Choose from; a) Butterfly Garden, b) Fruit Garden or c) Wildlife Garden. SCC would examine the pros and cons before making any decision to proceed. Action Vicky

- 8. **Report from County Councillor**. Mark spoke about the PCC public eye network and his training for licencing and planning. He updated members on the General meeting of PCC councillors on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May which focussed on "recovery" including how schools would operate when restrictions were lifted. Mark concluded with an update on the civic amenity and recycling centres and possible solutions for their reopening.
- 9. Report from Community Councillor's. NTR
- 10. **AOB**. Lena raised the possible donation of household items (crockery, cutlery, hoover etc.) to the community hub. The offer had been made by the family of Lady who had resided in Solva, but sadly had passed away. She was a regular supporter of the Friday Club and coffee mornings. Josh thanked the family for this very kind offer an inventory of items would be prepared. Action Lena
- 11. Date of next meeting.
- a. Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2020 at 6 p.m. via video conferencing (Zoom)

Compiled by:

Bruce Payne (Clerk) 26th May 2020

Signed by: Josh Phillips (Chair)