



Solva Community Council Cyngor Cymuned Solfach

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 17th June 2020 at
6 p.m. via Video Conferencing (Zoom)

Attended by:

Community Councillor's Josh Phillips (Chair), Ifor Thomas, Vicky Barker,
Colin Reynolds, John Price, Wendy Wright, Jo Gibbins, Joe Griffin

County Councillor Mark Carter

Clerk & RFO: Bruce Payne

1. **Welcome and Introduction.** The Chair welcomed Mollie Roach, Sandra Young, Lena Dixon and Enid Morgan 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).

3. **Declarations of interest - Personal or Prejudicial.** None declared.

Matters Arising

4. **Agree the Minutes of the meeting held on 3rd June 2020.** Agreed and signed.

a. All actions were reviewed.

5. **Chair Report.** Josh had written to Eluned Morgan MS to raise the question of tourism, when this sector would be re-opened and related local business concerns.

a. **Green Agenda.** Distribution of 400 glass milk bottles to houses in Solva supporting the SCC Green Agenda and Climate Emergency would take place in July. Delivery date/s to be agreed. **Action Bruce**

b. **Town and Community councils Video.** Coordinated and led by PLANED, members agree SCC would support the initiative which would



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showcase the work of Town and Community councils in Pembrokeshire. The SCC logo and photos of Solva (and of a Cwtch Box) would be forwarded to the video editor for inclusion. **Action Bruce**

c. **The Welsh Government Coastal Communities Fund.** Josh spoke the fund and the opportunities it could enable to help promote sustainable economic growth and jobs in Solva – the focus could be the Community Hub, how it would support Solva Care, local businesses and the community in a safe and post COVID-19 environment. Members agreed to convene a separate Zoom meeting with local stakeholders to scope ideas etc. **Action Bruce**

<https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/coastal-communities-fund#section-2>

6. **Coronavirus Community Support.**

a. **SNAKE update.** Weekly meetings continued and remained an excellent forum to review and monitor the community response. Two additional activities were planned led by Solva Care:

i. **Community Books.** Weatherproof containers offering books to community members were planned in the Memorial Hall entrance and on Parc y Capel – information on the scheme would be published on FB and in the July Newsletter. Appropriate signage would be placed on each container.

ii. **Mouse Trail.** Community members would be invited to paint mice onto garden walls, bricks or tiles (size restrictions and permissions apply). Once complete a mouse trail map would be produced for local people and visitors to follow. The idea originated from a similar scheme in Aberporth.

b. **Solva Tinny Tuesday.** The initiative led by SCC and taken from a similar and successful scheme in Narberth would operate in Solva from 7th July supporting the St Davids Food Hub. Details would be published on FB and in the July Newsletter. **Action Ifor**

c. **St Davids Food Pod.** The food hub continued to provide a much needed and valued service to many families on the peninsula, including families in Solva and the immediate area.



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- i. **Donation.** Member's agreed to a donation of up to £200.
Action Bruce

- d. **Covid-19 general workplace safety risk assessment.** Members agreed the assessments for the Hall and Hub must be carried out by a qualified person. Target date to complete both assessments was Wednesday 1st July. **Action Josh** (Level 3 H&S qualified).

- e. **COVID-19 Budget to address risk assessment items identified.** Members agree a budget of £500 with an agreed contribution from the Hall. **Action Bruce**

- f. **Local Concerns.** Easement of lockdown restrictions and the impact on Solva was a concern. Members acknowledged the reopening of tourism would be vital for the Solva economy. WG guidelines on social distancing, hand washing and all other preventative measures must though be adhered to by everyone and robustly promoted by SCC. All businesses including the Hall and Hub must be COVID-19 ready.
 - i. **Lower Car Park Toilets.** Was the opening of the PCC toilets aligned with the opening of the carpark? **Action Mark**

- c. **Communications.** Regular updates on Facebook continued with daily updates from PCC, WG and other statutory organisations.
 - i. **Pembrokeshire Community Support Network (PCSN).** Weekly reports were to be circulated to all SCC members. **Action Bruce** (Latest PCSN report attached to these Minutes).
 - ii. **Independent Advisory Group (IAG).** Reports were to be circulated to all SCC members. **Action Bruce** (Latest IAG report attached to these Minutes).

Sandra, Enid and Lean departed the meeting

7. **Solva Care report.** Mollie spoke about how communities such as Solva operated in a COVID-19 environment and beyond; COVID-19 was not going away anytime soon – a number of key meetings with external stakeholders were scheduled to help mobilise a coproduced project led by Solva Care named "Together for Change". Communities had a vital role to play in supporting their populations and Solva Care had the opportunity to influence WG policy.



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Mollie also spoke about a scheme to help address loneliness – school children in Narberth were writing letters to those affected and this scheme was currently being trialed. If successful in Narberth, a similar scheme that addressed safeguarding concerns raised by SCC members could be repeated in Solva.

Mollie concluded her report talking about the next biennial community survey. Mollie suggested this should be a combined effort with SCC and Solva Care – other local third sector organisations could also be included.

Mollie departed the meeting

8. Applications received and reviewed.

Application No: NP/20/0276/FUL

Proposal: Alterations & extensions to house & detached garage

Location: Craiglan, 20 Glanhafan, Solva, SA62 6TA

Application Type: Full

Comments awaited from SCC Planning Committee

9. **Clerk & RFO Report.**

a. **Annual Return.** The accounting statements and Annual Governance Statement were approved by members. The Annual Return for the year ended 31st March 2020 was signed by the Chair.

b. **Correspondence.** All correspondence had been circulated by email.

10. **Report from County Councillor.** Mark informed members the Trecadwgan farm sale review was scheduled for September. The process to appoint a new PCC Director of Education had also commenced. Mark concluded with an update on the proposal at Newgale for a new road.

11. **Report from Community Councillors.**

a. **Youth / Community Event.** Josh spoke about events previously discussed and suggested a weekend in July to host team events such as:

- i. Orienteering competition.
- ii. Cycling competition.
- iii. Scavenger hunt.



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iv. On-line quiz.

The weekend would require lots of planning and help from community councillors. Date, timetable and draft plan to be presented at the SCC July meeting. An initial planning meeting would convene on Thursday 18th June at 11a.m. via Zoom and aim to agree event details in time for the July Newsletter. **Action Josh**

b. Pebble Snake. Josh spoke about an idea to create a painted pebble snake on the pathway from the car park to the harbour. Members supported the idea and details would be agreed at the July meeting. **Action Josh**

12. **AOB.**

a. **Dog Poo.** Joe highlighted the growing problem of irresponsible dog owners (locals not visitors) who allowed their pets to foul pavements, paths and walkways and fail to clear up the mess. The problem also remained prevalent on the sport pitches and airfield. Member's agreed this was a serious health hazard and an offence. The softly softly approach had failed and members agreed Enforcement Action was required. **Action Mark**

13. Date of next meeting.

a. Wednesday 1st July 2020 at 6 p.m. via video conferencing (Zoom)

Compiled by:

Bruce Payne (Clerk) 23rd June 2020

Signed by: Josh Phillips (Chair)