

Solva Community Council Cyngor Cymuned Solfach

Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting (EOM) held on Tuesday 20th July 2021 at 6 p.m. in Solva Community Clubhouse (Attendance via Zoom was available).

Attended by:

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

County Councillor Mark Carter

Clerk & RFO: Bruce Payne

- 1. Welcome and Introduction. The Chair welcomed everyone to the EOM.
- 2. **Apologies**. Community Councillor John Price.
- 3. **Declarations of interest Personal or Prejudicial**. None.
- 4. **EOM overview**. The EOM had been convened by the Chair of Solva Community Council to discuss Headlands construction traffic and a recent proposal from the developer to use a new route over land owned and managed by SCC. The EOM would also consider the community meeting on 27th July.

Matters Arising

5. **The Pengraig / Headlands Development**. Community Councillors had submitted written questions to raise their concerns over any proposal to allow construction traffic to use a route which would infringe on the play and skate park in upper Solva. All made it clear that the overriding need was the fundamental importance to protect the children and young people of Solva who had the right to play, always, in a safe and secure environment.

The 1964 Deed of Gift was discussed concerning any proposal for construction traffic to use the land. Responsibility for managing the land which incorporated the playing field and the play and skate parks adjacent to the Clubhouse had been the responsibility of the Solva Recreational Ground charity. This no longer existed and was deregistered as a charity on 29th November 2019. SCC was now engaged in the legal transfer of that land to the community council with the approval of the Deed's family. The family had stated to SCC they would enforce the covenant should any proposal be made for construction traffic to use the land in question.



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Previous planning applications were reviewed by members who acknowledge, SCC as a statutory consultee, had previously commented to the Planning Authority on the Headlands development. A further planning application had recently been submitted by the developer to revise the Traffic Management Plan. SCC would comment on the application to allow large vehicles with a net weight of 3.5 tonnes when unladen to use the narrow roads of St Brides View and Glanhafan. SCC concerns where the current and approved route had no pavements and if large vehicles were permitted to use it, there would be a significant threat to the safety of pedestrians as well as causing considerable disruption to residents. Access for blue light services was also a major concern.

Members agreed the responsibility for identifying any alternative to the approved St Brides View route rested with the developer. The meeting moved against a community meeting and discussion solely on the ground that the proposed route was barred by a legal covenant and the benefactors of the covenant were not minded to remove it.

- 6. **Cancellation Motion**. The following motion was tabled. Proposed by Community Councillor Ifor Thomas, seconded by Community Councillor Joe Griffin. That the community meeting on 27th July 2021 was cancelled. All members present voted in favour of the proposal.
 - a. Cancellation details would be posted on village notice boards and social media. Information would also be published in the August Newsletter.
- 7. **Community meetings convened by local government electors**. Should a sufficient number of residents require SCC to hold a meeting there were regulations set out in the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011 that allow for this. It states:
 - a. A community meeting may also be convened at any time by not less than 50 Solva electors. Such a meeting must be chaired by the existing chair of the community council.
 - b. The convenors of the meeting are required to give notice of the meeting to Solva Community Council. The notice must include the name, signature, and address of each of the individuals who assert that they have convened a community meeting, and,
 - The business which is proposed to be transacted at the meeting
 - The proposed time and place at which the meeting is to be held



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- c. If the business of the community meeting is a general issue, at least seven clear days' notice of the meeting must be given.
- 8. AOB. None.

Date of next meeting.

a. SCC Meeting Wednesday 1st September 2021

Compiled by:

Bruce Payne (Clerk) 26th July 2021

Signed by: Josh Phillips (Chair)