Minutes of a Meeting of the Milford Haven Town Council

Planning, Policy & Community Committee

held electronically via the Zoom software

on Thursday 15th July, 2021 at 6:00 pm

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PRESENT

The Mayor (Councillor Miss K. F. Gray)

The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Mrs C. Stevens)

Councillors: R. Williams (Chairman)

C. A. Sharp (Vice Chairman)

T. J. Davies B. Phillips

Ms F. K. Galliford, Town Council Secretary

J. Riley, Western Telegraph Reporter

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58. APOLOGIES:

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors P. Coe, E. R. Harries, and the Town Clerk, Mrs B. J. Fitzgerald.

59. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor T. J. Davies declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 7(a) and (b), Milford Haven Cemetery, as he is employed by a local Funeral Director. Councillor Davies has received dispensation to speak on this matter but not vote.

60. ROAD SAFETY IN MILFORD HAVEN

Members considered the attached Report, which stated that contact had been made with Pembrokeshire County Council Traffic and Road Safety Department regarding road safety issues in Milford Haven. The most prominent complaint has been in relation to speeding on the Dale Road in Hubberston, but other areas are causing concern, such as Lower Priory (Hubberston Ward), where a resident has requested a speed limit review; parking matters in the vicinity of Gelliswick School (Hakin/Hubberston); Picton Road (Hakin Ward), where speeding concerns have been raised by a resident, and Cutty Sark Drive in Steynton (North Ward), where residents have expressed concern over breaching of their 20mph speed limit.

The Chairman, Councillor R. Williams, asked the Mayor, Councillor Miss K. F. Gray, if she had an update regarding the bid for vehicle activated signage to be placed on the Dale Road. This bid has been made through a community works fund that is currently open.

The Mayor advised that the Town Clerk, Mrs B. J. Fitzgerald, had met officers from the fund and that the Town Clerk had been most proactive.

Discussion followed and it was **RESOLVED THAT:**

(i) the Town Clerk be complimented on her initiative

and hard work;

(ii) possible match funding for the vehicle activated

signage at Dale Road continue to be explored

through such channels as Valero Energy and South

Hook LNG;

(iii) consideration be given to precepting money for

such signage in future.

61. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Members recommended that a couple of outstanding planning applications be approved:

20/1027/PA – Proposed Covered Walkway at “Foam”, Unit 2, Barrallier House, Nelson Quay, Milford Haven

21/0121/PA – Proposed Driving Range Shelter with Associated Golf Simulator and Proposed Extension to Golf Pro Shop at Milford Haven Golf Club, Clay Lane, Hubberston, Milford Haven

A Member requested clarification as to 21/0226/PA – Variation of condition 3 (time limit) of planning permission 16/0409/PA (Variation/Removal of conditions 3, 4, 14 and 16 of ref: 12/0685/PA (to allow for an extension of time for the submission of reserved matters and the removal of the requirements for the code for sustainable homes)) to allow for an extension of time for submission of reserve matters at Land South of the Meads, Milford Haven. It was stressed that the request for an extension of time had been made to ensure that the application could proceed at the optimum level. The Member was most grateful to receive this clarification.

Concern was expressed over application 21/0248/PA – Convert existing five- bedroom semi-detached house into four no. one-bedroom studio flats together with associated works at The Crest, 26 Priory Road, Milford Haven. Members commented that a similar application had been previously received and a Member for the West Ward, where this application is situated, advised that this had been a problem area. The Member stated that he wished to be in a position to fully answer his constituents with any questions they may have relating to this application.

Members also expressed concern over the erection of an increasing number of gazebos on the Milford Marina. While resolute in their support for the businesses involved, Members spoke of the importance of applying for planning permission in advance and of adhering to correct procedures.

**RESOLVED THAT:**

(a) the Planning Support Team at Pembrokeshire

County Council is to be contacted to further

establish the background behind application

21/0248/PA;

(b) the outstanding applications 20/1027/PA and

21/0121/PA be approved;

(c) applications 21/0079/PA, 21/0098/PA, 21/0099/LB,

21/0107/PA, 21/0110/PA, 21/0124/PA, 21/0133/PA,

21/0141/PA, 21/0186/DC, 21/0226/PA and 21/0256/AD

be approved.

62. PLANNING NOTIFICATIONS

Members noted the record of planning notifications received by the Pembrokeshire County Council.

A Member queried whether it would be possible to receive a reasoning of the Pembrokeshire County Council’s decision.

Another Member asked whether a hyperlink to the application could be included.

Subject to the above, it was **RESOLVED THAT** the

Planning Notifications be received.

63. LICENSING APPLICATION – CUB3D APPAREL

A number of Members expressed concern that a clothing establishment should require a licence to serve alcohol on its premises.

**RESOLVED THAT** the Pembrokeshire County Council

Licensing Department be contacted requesting further

information regarding this application.

64. MILFORD HAVEN CEMETERY

(a) Minutes of a Meeting of the Cemetery Maintenance and Land Acquisition Group held on 29th June 2021

The Chairman of the Cemetery Maintenance and Land Acquisition Group, Councillor C. A. Sharp, advised Members that there had already been significant developments since this Meeting, and that there was due to be another Meeting of the Group on Tuesday 27th July.

Minute no. 45 – Demolition of Toilet Block and Fitting of Gas Tank

A Member asked whether the toilet at the Cemetery House would be available to the public.

Another Member advised that the toilet at the Cemetery House would have to comply with Covid-19 regulations. Once fully compliant with these regulations, the toilet would be available to members of the public during staff working hours.

**RESOLVED THAT** the Minutes of the Meeting of the

Cemetery Maintenance and Land Acquisition Group

h held on 29th June 2021 be accepted and that

they be signed as a true record.

(b) Cemetery Reports – May and June 2021

Members considered the Cemetery Reports for May and June 2021.

A Member asked whether a breakdown for the “Additional Expenditure” column could be provided.

**RESOLVED THAT** the Cemetery Reports,

as presented by the Clerk for the months

of May and June 2021 be accepted.

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