

KILGETTY - BEGELLY COMMUNITY COUNCIL (KBCC)

Minutes of the General Meeting of The Kilgetty -Begelly Community Council on Thursday, 14th November 2024 at 6.30pm, at the Community Centre Kilgetty.

Present: Cllrs Jerry Long, Diane Lockley. Brenda Jones, Peter Adams, Beryl Quigley, John Whitby, and County Cllr Alistair Cameron

Also, Present – Clerk Gary Price.

Meeting Opened by the Chair Cllr Jerry Long at 18.46pm.

1. To receive any apologies for absence

Apologies received from Cllrs Thomas and Davies

2. To receive any Declarations of Interest

None

3. To consider and approve as a true and correct record the draft Minutes of the General Council meeting held on 10th October 2024.

Cllr Adams proposed that the Minutes presented, of the meeting held on 10th October 2024 be signed as a true and accurate record of the meeting; Cllr Jones seconded the proposal with a majority of Cllrs in agreement.

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes of the General Council meeting held on 10th October 2024, not covered elsewhere on the agenda.

None

5. Action tracking

Proposed closure of Kilgetty Public Toilets

Cllr Long reported that in a recent meeting with representatives from the Co-Op they stated they would not agree to the transfer of the lease from PCC to KBCC however they would consider setting up a new lease for KBCC with the terms being that KBCC would contribute to the maintenance costs of the car park. The Clerk to arrange a further meeting to discuss proposal further.

6. County Councillor's Report

Report to Kilgetty and Begelly Community Council from County Councillor Alistair Cameron - November 2024

Future Housing for Begelly and Kilgetty

Pembrokeshire County Council is consulting on its Local Development Plan which sets out the framework for determining future planning applications (known as Local Development Plan 2). It contains proposals for forty-six affordable homes in Begelly to be accessed off the main road and nineteen homes in Kilgetty to be accessed off Rock Park.

The consultation period ends on midnight on 16 December and any comments must be sent to the Council by that deadline. Following this consultation period there will be a public examination next year conducted by the Welsh Government. Anyone wishing to speak at the public examination needs to have first of all responded to the consultation by 16 December.

You can see the plans online by looking at https://www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk/local-development-plan-review/deposit. This includes information about how to submit your comments.

Once Local Development Plan 2 is finally approved, it will form the framework for determining planning applications.

Road and Pavement Safety in Begelly

I met with county council highways officers last Monday to discuss what improvements can be made to improve the pavements and road safety in Begelly. As previously reported, an application for funding for road safety measures was turned down by the Welsh Government.

There has been longstanding concern from local residents about traffic speeds and pavement safety as well as entering and exiting the junctions for Broom Lane, Fir Grove, and Parsonage Lane. Petitions have been submitted in the past to the Council calling for measures to make the road safer.

There have been differing views amongst some residents over what should be done. I would therefore like to set up a working group of local residents to discuss in detail the various options to make this road safer and easier to walk along the pavement. Ideally, I would like this working group to report to the Community Council.

Does the Community Council support this and would any members wish to join the working group? Cllr Long added that a Task & Finish group could be set up to include local residents.

What is the demand for a youth club in Kilgetty and Begelly?

The school-based youth worker at Greenhill School conducted a survey of children in this area in September to see what the demand is for a youth club in Kilgetty / Begelly.

Of the 109 responses, forty-six said they would attend a youth club in Kilgetty / Begelly. As previously advised, the county council does not have the resources to fund a youth worker for this area. However, we should be pursuing other funding to try to get youth provision set up for this area.

I have forwarded to the Council's Chief Officer for Youth and Community Education details of the roundhouse and small woods project as that might serve as a youth shelter. There could be an opportunity for young people to be involved in this project in either volunteering or skills development sections of the Duke of Edinburgh Award for example.

Saundersfoot Medical Centre and Kilgetty Surgery

Saundersfoot South County Councillor Chris Williams and I recently met with staff at Saundersfoot Medical Centre as part of our regular meetings with the centre.

We discussed the appointments system at the centre and were advised that a GP triage system has been introduced. This will mean that if you need to contact a GP on the same day you will at least get a phone call from a doctor on that day. If a face-to-face meeting is appropriate, then this will be arranged.

The medical centre is installing a new enhanced computer system known as EMIS. This system will enable the centre to send important text messages to patients for instance advising them when flu and covid jabs will be provided. It is hoped that this new system will be in place by next April / May.

The medical centre asked us to advise patients that if they are in the centre car park for over an hour then they must inform reception on that day (either in person or by phone) and give them their vehicle registration number in order to avoid getting a fine. Unfortunately, if they inform the reception a day later or longer it is not possible to stop the car park enforcement firm from issuing a fine.

Chris and I appreciate the hard work carried out by the staff at the centre during what is a challenging time for the NHS. If there are serious issues which you feel need to be raised with the medical centre, I would be happy to pass them on.

County Mobile Library Service

The mobile library service visits the area every 4 weeks. It will visit on Friday 6th December, Friday 10th January and every 4 weeks thereafter. The visit includes the following locations:-

Friday 6 th December		Times
Jeffreyston (30)	Churchill Park	9.30-10.00
East Williamston (30)	Village Hall	10.10-10.40
Begelly (30)	Fir Grove	10.50-11.20
Kilgetty (60)	Car Park	11.30-12.30
Templeton (30)	Playground Car Park	13.15-13.45
Ludchurch (30)	Egypt Meadow	14.00-14.30
Amroth (30)	Bus Stop	14.45-15.15

7. Reports from Council representatives including:

a) Begelly Kilgetty Community Association

Cllr Quigley reported.

Remembrance Service on the 10^{th of} Nov.

The Service was well attended with the local scout group well represented.

We arranged for the Lindsay Harries to play the Last Post and National anthems on her mobile and speakers.

New Volunteers Needed.

We have lost four members in the last 2 months and really need new volunteers as we only have six remaining.

Solar Panels impact, below:

Sustainable Development Fund

In March 2023 the Community Association received a grant to install Solar Panels to the Community Centre. The Grant was for 80% of the cost. The Aim is to encourage the community to think about the benefits of solar panels and the difference they make to your Energy Costs and the Benefit to the Planet. Set out below is the impact the panels have made each Month. The system also has a 14kw battery. The Panels went live in April 23

Month	From the Solar Panels	From the Battery	Total	From the Grid	Avg per MTH. Solar & Battery Since April 23
Jan-24	6%	12%	18%	82%	59%
Feb-24	9%	9%	18%	82%	55%
Mar-24	20%	21%	41%	59%	54%
Apr-24	22%	23%	45%	55%	53%
May-24	38%	24%	62%	38%	54%
Jun-24	65%	27%	92%	8%	57%
Jul-24	64%	28%	92%	8%	59%
Aug-24	58%	34%	92%	8%	61%
Sep-24	43%	42%	85%	15%	62%
Oct-24	26%	37%	63%	37%	61%
Nov-24			0%	100%	
Dec-24			0%	100%	
Jan-25			0%	100%	

b) Rural Futures Group

Cllr Lockley reported the Rural Futures Group met with representatives from the Co-Op to resolve issue on connection of utilities to the Community Centre. Permission not given to make connection, alternative options are being explored, this will be at an additional cost to the project. The funding body are aware of the situation and supporting the need.

c) One Voice Wales

Cllr Adams reported that One Voice Wales promoting a further initiative of the 'warm spaces' involving local communities. OVW are holding an online seminar on the 'cost of living crisis' Cllr Adams will attend.

d) Kilgetty Play Park

Cllr Long reported It has been confirmed that our application for funding has been successful and we have been granted up to £100k.

The Clerk has already met with the contactor to confirm the measurements of the site.

We have prepared a draft 'press / social media" statement to go out ASAP once confirmed by full council.

We want to buy some large banners to go on the fence around then site showing people what is coming once we confirm the layout etc.

The plan is to arrange meeting with the contractor to finalise the equipment, to include some of the suggestions we heard during the public confirmation.

e) Disability Access in the Community

Nothing to report.

f) Health and Safety in the Community

Nothing to report.

g) Finance group

Cllr Jones reported the group had recently met; the Clerk had presented a new statement format which held same detail on the accounts but simpler reading. The Clerk also presented a model from One Voice Wales for the Councils Financial Regulations, KBCC will adopt the model.

8. Consideration of Correspondence:

The Clerk read an email received from Station Garage Kilgetty advising the Community Council they had conducted minor repairs to the Car Park in Kilgetty.

The Clerk confirmed that repairs to the signpost in the lane leading to the miner's field have been completed.

9. To consider payment of any invoices received

BACS 1. Clerk	Salary incl w/h	£518.96
	Wreath	£19.99
BACS 2. All Seasons	Grass contract	£655.00
BACS 3. Ian Morris	Kaspersky	£38.99

Invoices received for payment total of £1232.94 Cllr Jones proposed payment be made, seconded by Cllr Adams all Cllrs in agreement.

10. To consider guarter one and guarter two financial statements

The Clerk presented quarter 1 and quarter 2 accounts to the Council together with supporting bank statements, Cllr Whitby proposed that they are accepted as true and correct, Cllr Cameron seconded the proposal, all Cllrs in agreement.

11. Consideration of Planning Applications received:

Reference 24/0555/PA Langdon Farm, Begelly, Kilgetty, Pembrokeshire, SA68 0NJ Conversion of barn to dwelling, following consideration of all the information provided by the Planning Authority, Cllr Whitby proposed that Kilgetty-Begelly Community Council support the application. Cllr Quigley seconded the proposal all Cllrs in agreement.

Reference 24/0705/PA Tregallet Farm, Templeton, Narberth, Pembrokeshire, SA67 8SN Demolition of existing house and construction of a replacement dwelling on the site Following consideration of all the information provided by the Planning Authority, Cllr Whitby proposed that Kilgetty-Begelly Community Council support the application. Cllr Quigley seconded the proposal all Cllrs in agreement.

Reference 24/0660/PA Land at New Road, Begelly, Kilgetty, Pembrokeshire, SA68 0YF Creation of touring caravan/tent site with new toilet block together with ecological enhancements Following consideration of all the information provided by the Planning Authority, Cllr Jones proposed that Kilgetty-Begelly Community Council support the application. Cllr Quigley seconded the proposal a majority of Cllrs in agreement.

Reference 24/0658/PA Land West of Barley Park, New Road, Begelly, SA68 0YF Variation of Condition 1 (Approved Plans) of Planning Consent 23/1037/PA (Residential development) to allow amendments to approved plans. Following consideration of all the information provided by the Planning Authority, Cllr Whitby proposed that Kilgetty-Begelly Community Council support the application. Cllr Adams seconded the proposal all Cllrs in agreement.

Reference 24/0677/PA Conch Cottage, Carmarthen Road, Kilgetty, SA68 0UJ Alterations and extensions to dwelling. Following consideration of all the information provided by the Planning Authority, Cllr Cameron proposed that Kilgetty-Begelly Community Council support the application. Cllr Quigley seconded the proposal all Cllrs in agreement.

Reference 24/0664/PA Carne Park, Begelly, Kilgetty, Pembrokeshire, SA68 0PB Replacement Dwelling and Car Port. Following consideration of all the information provided by the Planning Authority, Cllr Quigley proposed that Kilgetty-Begelly Community Council support the application. Cllr Cameron seconded the proposal all Cllrs in agreement.

Reference 24/0636/PA23, Ryelands Place, Kilgetty, Pembrokeshire, SA68 0UX Two storey side extension Following consideration of all the information provided by the Planning Authority, Cllr Whitby proposed that Kilgetty-Begelly Community Council support the application. Cllr Quigley seconded the proposal all Cllrs in agreement.

12. Consideration of Planning Applications received after publication of the agenda

None

13. Notification of Planning Decision/s

24/0525/DC Land at Station Road, Kilgetty Conditionally approved

14. To consider quotation for essential repairs/upgrade to Christmas lighting.

Cllr Cameron proposed that the quotation for works be approved, Cllr Adams seconded the proposal all Cllrs in agreement.

15. To consider Local government services pay agreement 2024/25

Cllr Adams proposed the pay agreement be accepted; Cllr Quigley seconded the proposal all Cllrs in agreement.

16. To consider change in start time of General meetings.

Cllr Cameron proposed that the new start time for monthly General meetings will be 6pm, Cllr Lockley seconded the proposal, all Cllrs in agreement.

17. Update on construction of new KBCC website.

Cllr Adams presented the new website, explaining various functions, Cllrs encouraged to explore the latest version and forward any suggestions on as feedback will be welcomed.

18. To consider donation towards Xmas lighting on Begelly roundabout

Cllr Adams reported that Begelly roundabout Christmas lighting will be present again this year, additional costs will be incurred, Cllr Jones proposed a donation be made to cover additional costs, Cllr Quigley seconded the proposal all Cllrs in agreement.

19. To consider project plan for Kilgetty Park

The Clerk reported he had met with the contractor, a meeting will be arranged with the Task and Finish group to discuss any alterations or additions to the original plan, once finalised an order will be placed, deposit will be payable as per agreement. Equipment will be manufactured ready for assembly early Spring weather permitting.

20. To consider any emergency items and/or outstanding issues before Full Council none

21. Any Other Business – please note this item is strictly for information only.

Cllr Quigley reported that there is an ongoing issue at the school crossing, parked cars obstructing view. This will be discussed with the School and PCC.

Meeting closed at 9.24pm

18) Date of next meeting

Thursday 12th December 2024, 6.00pm at the Community Centre