



KILGETTY - BEGELLY COMMUNITY COUNCIL (KBCC)

Minutes of the General Meeting of The Kilgetty -Begelly Community Council on Thursday, 13th March 2025 at 6.00pm, at the Community Centre Kilgetty.

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

Also, Present – Clerk Gary Price.

Meeting Opened by the Chair Cllr Jerry Long at 18.05pm.

1. To receive any apologies for absence

None

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 13th February 2025.

Cllr Lockley proposed that the Minutes presented, of the meeting held on 13th February 2025 be signed as a true and accurate record of the meeting; Cllr Davies seconded the proposal with a majority of Cllrs in agreement.

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes of the General Council meeting held on 13th February 2025, not covered elsewhere on the agenda.

None

5. Action tracking

Proposed closure of Kilgetty Public Toilets

Cllr Cameron reported he has spoken to the PCC officer and is requesting a site meeting to resolve issues, whereas it is the intention of KBCC to take responsibility for the Toilet block, the lease between PCC and the Co-Op will need to be terminated and promised works to the toilet block will need to be completed.

6. County Councillor's Report

Cllr Cameron reported:

Report to Kilgetty and Begelly Community Council from County Councillor Alistair Cameron
- March 2025

Kilgetty Dispensary Service

As you will be aware, Kilgetty and Saundersfoot Dispensary Service (which are part of Kilgetty and Saundersfoot Health Centres) will now close permanently. This means that local patients need to get their medication from Kilgetty Pharmacy.

I have corresponded with the Surgery's Business Manager; I am strongly reassured that there is no intention to close Kilgetty Surgery. Indeed, the decision to discontinue with the Dispensary Service was one of a number of measures to help to ensure the viability of Kilgetty Surgery.

With regards to staffing, I understand the Practice try to provide HCA / nursing cover at Kilgetty everyday (bearing in mind they have to cope with staff sickness like everyone else). They are obliged to offer GP service for 20 hours per week which I am told is exceeded (generally there is no GP on a Friday).

I also understand the intention is to provide better GP access for appointments which I strongly welcome.

Meeting with Parsonage Lane Residents on 1 April at 7 pm in St Marys Church Parish Hall to discuss local flooding issues

I am organising the above meeting to discuss flooding issues in Parsonage Lane, Begelly

7. Reports from Council representatives including:

a) Begelly Kilgetty Community Association

Cllr Long reported:

At our February meeting we agreed to do the following:

Two Litter Picks in Kilgetty & Begelly –16th March and September (Date TBC)

Hold monthly meetings to organise the summer fete on Sunday August 24th

Christmas Family Event - Date TBC

We decided to raise funds for community projects across the two villages, one suggestion is towards a small basketball court on the rec for the youths of the area. We could work with community council, so we are not duplicating any projects.

One of the new volunteers has experience to writing grant applications and offered to look into this for us.

Solar Panels Update:

The panels are proving effective, Average. per month, Solar & Battery power used 54%

b) Rural Futures Group

Cllr Lockley reported:

The Rural Futures Group met yesterday evening (12th March 2025) via zoom. Six members attended the meeting.

Discussion topics are as follows:

Electric Connection – as reported to Council last month the electric connection work was due to start on the 10th of March. This work has not taken place and will have to be rescheduled.

The secretary of the RF's group was contacted by the National Grid to say that as they had not received the necessary paperwork from the Coop regarding the wayleave agreement. The Coop property management group was contacted, and RF's group was informed that the person dealing with this matter had been on leave for 2 weeks and in addition to that they required further information from the National Grid. This will put a further delay on getting this work done. The electric company have also been contacted as they were due to do the final connection so that the cabins would finally have power.

The National Grid have been very helpful all through this process, the Coop less so. The RF's group are requesting that both parties provide updates on any progress.

With the frustration felt by the group on yet further delays there was discussion about the installation of solar panels and being self-sufficient. It was decided that this would be a supportive feature in the future but not suitable at this time due to the size of installation needed to be 'off grid' and related costs.

Water Connection by Dŵr Cymru – the first proposal by Dŵr Cymru would have been acceptable, but the site plans sent by Dŵr Cymru were wrong. The revised quote has quadrupled the quote. After a great deal of discussion, it was felt by the group that a site meeting should be requested so that the group can better understand why such a difference and also how much work the group is expected to do at yet further cost.

Cabins – the group are also looking at ways to save expenditure by considering the height of the cabins and the need for the raised decking. Advice is going to be sort from the Building Control Officer.

Men's Shed – members of the Men's Shed have been helping the Garden Club who care for the Community Garden, to clear fallen trees and branches.

c) One Voice Wales
Nothing to report.

d) Kilgetty Play Park

Cllr Long reported:

Contactors are due on-site next week, the park equipment to be delivered on the 20th of March with work to commence preparing site prior.

The banners erected but due to the high winds they were damaged, so removed. New ones have been requested!

The park project is hopefully to be complete around Easter.

e) Disability Access in the Community

Nothing to report.

f) Health and Safety in the Community

Nothing to report.

g) Finance group

Nothing to report.

8. Consideration of Correspondence:

Cllr Long reported a request has been received from Kilgetty Football Club, to use the Common area for car parking when they hold the Junior Football tournaments, Cllr Davies proposed permission be granted on the condition marshals are in place, Cllr Adams seconded the proposal all Cllrs in agreement.

9. To consider payment of any invoices received

Payments made:

BACS 1. Lee Burton	Gates	£667.00
BACS 2. Ben Griffiths	Rural Futures	£1618.45

Invoices paid total £2285.45 Cllr Cameron proposed payment accepted, seconded by Cllr Jones majority of Cllrs in agreement.

March payments:

BACS 1. Clerk	Salary incl w/h	£549.50
BACS 2. HMRC	Tax	£132.80
BACS 3. PPS	Park Inspections	£50.00
BACS 4. One Voice Wales	Membership	£498.00

Invoices processed for payment total of £1230.30 Cllr Cameron proposed payment be made, seconded by Cllr Jones all Cllrs in agreement.

10. To consider payment of invoices received after publication of agenda.

All Seasons contractor, cutting of Park area	£50.00
Beryl Quigley remuneration payment	£120.00
HMRC	£30.00

Invoices to be processed for payment total of £200.00 Cllr Cameron proposed payment be made, seconded by Cllr Jones a majority of Cllrs in agreement.

19.03pm Cllr Davies left the meeting.

11. Consideration of Planning Applications received:

Reference 24/1089/PA 2, Parsonage Green, Parsonage Lane, BEGELLY, Kilgetty, Pembrokeshire, SA68 0YN, Variation/Removal of conditions following consideration of all the information provided by the Planning Authority, Cllr Cameron proposed that Kilgetty-Begelly Community Council support the application, Cllr Jones seconded the proposal all Cllrs in agreement.

Reference 24/1026/PA Chronicle Park, Parsonage Lane, BEGELLY, Kilgetty, Pembrokeshire, SA68 0YL Replacement of Storage Building (Change of use and Conversion of Outbuilding (currently used as storage) for holiday let previously approved under 21/0828/PA (CAS-01966 L8J0P9) with erection of new building for holiday use. 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 24/1086/PA 3, Crossland, REYNALTON, Kilgetty, Pembrokeshire, SA68 0PH Dormer / roof extension as part of loft conversion 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.

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

None

13. Notification of Planning Decision/s

24/0657/PA Cartref, REYNALTON, SA68 0PE **Conditionally approved**

24/0658/PA Land West of Barley Park, Begelly, SA68 0YF **Conditionally approved**

14. To consider quotation for park inspections for 2025-26

The Clerk presented quotation received from the Play Park inspector, Cllr Davies proposed the new price schedule be accepted, Cllr Lockley seconded the proposal all Cllrs in agreement.

15. To consider quotation for grass cutting contract for 2025-26

The Clerk presented quotation received from the Grass cutting contractor, Cllr Quigley proposed the new price schedule be accepted, Cllr Jones seconded the proposal all Cllrs in agreement.

16. To consider any emergency items and/or outstanding issues before Full Council

Cllr Long presented photographs of the fence alongside the car park adjoining the Scout Hut, the fence being the responsibility of the Scout Association and the inner wire fence erected by PCC, Cllr Cameron to contact PCC in regard to the inner boundary fence, Cllr Long to inform the Scouts on their responsibility having erected the fence originally.

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

Cllr Long presented an option to sell advertising space along the park fence, advertising space potentially giving the Council an income source.

Cllr Long received an enquiry regarding a previous sign that was situated at the miner's field entrance, detail on what was written and its purpose to be looked into further.

18) Date of next meeting

Thursday 10th April 2025, 6.00pm at the Community Centre

Meeting closed at 7.50pm

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