**CAREW COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Carew Community Council meeting held on Wednesday 9th July 2025 at 7 pm in Committee Room of Carew Memorial Hall.

Present: Cllr Simon Hosker-Hicks (Chair) Cllr Marina Griffiths(Vice Chair)

 Cllr Madeleine Bland Cllr Linda Dennis

 Cllr Marcia Allen Cllr Alison Folder

 Cllr Trevor Goodman

**Apologies:** County Councillor Vanessa Thomas Cllr Sarah Benbow,

 Councillors Present accepted their reasons for being unable to attend.

In Attendance: PCSO Emma Hayward

Chair welcomed all to the meeting. It had been two months since the last meeting and Councillors all agreed to try to hold meetings monthly if quorum achieved.

Requests for remote attendance - There were no requests for remote attendance received.

Declarations of Interest - From the information sent by the Clerk to Councillors , there were declarations of interest which are indicated thus (\*) in the following minutes.

Minutes of the AGM on 14th May 2025 - It was proposed by Cllr Bland and seconded by Cllr Goodman that the minutes were a true record and they were duly signed.

**Matters Arising:**

* Clerk has contacted PCC regarding the resignation of two Councillors to confirm that three vacancies can now be applied for by co-option. This information will be available on the website and CCC FB page.
* Noticeboards - Cllr Griffiths had undertaken research into the provision of noticeboards for the villages of West Williamston, Carew Cheriton, Carew Newton, Whitehill , Sageston and for replacements in Carew and Redberth. It is understood that funding for the provision of these could be obtained from the Section 106 monies.

Noticeboard Company Ltd - £580.98 + VAT (Noticeboard in Milton was purchased from this company) . Total cost would be £4880.32 (including VAT) . Fixing costs to be added.

It was agreed to clarify with PCC that the Section 106 monies could be used for these purchases and Agenda for next meeting.

* Christmas Event 29th November 2025 . Discussion on this ensued and a childrens entertainer to be contacted . Agenda for next meeting with full check list for the event.
* Play Areas in Milton & Carew - Inspection Reports and quarterly reports had been distributed to Councillors prior to the meeting. The urgent need to upgrade the play areas is confirmed as the current prime focus of the Community Council at present.

Following discussion it was agreed to meet separately in a sub committee to go through funding options and this date will be Tuesday 19th August at 7 pm in the Committee Room of Carew Memorial Hall. Minerals Officer at Pembrokeshire/Carmarthenshire to be contacted regarding Minerals Sustainability Fund . Councillors to be encouraged to gather photographic evidence of the new play area in the area with a view to putting together equipment a plan for equipment in Carew and Milton. Enhancing Pembrokeshire Team to be asked about the Funding for Play Areas initiative from Welsh Government believed to be £5m for Wales. PAVS also to be asked for their advice and input, National Lottery , etc.

Play Areas Maintenance - The repair of existing equipment to be undertaken in the meantime and a list had been compiled previously by Cllr Griffiths. It was agreed to work through the list prioritising the most urgent.

* Donations - At the AGM three small grants applications were received granted However, the remaining outside Parish applications were not discussed. Following review of the list the following was proposed by Cllr Goodman and seconded by Cllr Bland and all present agreed :

Donation to Sandy Bears Childrens Bereavement Charity - £100

Donation to Paul Sartori Cancer Charity - £50

Donation of £50 to Hope MS Centre - £50

Donation of £50 to Citizens Advice - £50

* Redberth and Milton Footbridges updates-

Redberth - Chair reported on a meeting of residents in Redberth . The residents had expressed a wish to replace the footbridge and following sourcing of local timber a cost of £400 would be required to replace using local workforce of residents in Redberth. (\*) Chair and (\*) Vice Chair expressed an interest and withdrew from the vote. Following discussion and review of the budget it was proposed by Cllr Folder and seconded by Cllr Bland that the Community Council provide the funds up to and no more than £400 towards the replacement of the footbridge.

Milton - This footbridge had been looked at with the Community Payback Team with a view to this organisation repairing the footbridge. Clerk to meet with the Team shortly and this would be discussed further with them. An account with local Builders Merchants will be opened if that is the case to allow access by CPT for the supplies. Failing that Cllr Goodman felt that he might be able to repair the footbridge in the near future.

* Milton Play Area – Exercise Equipment delivery and installation -
* Metal Shed, Carew Hall - This shed is now beyond repair and it’s disposal was discussed. Local scrap merchants to be contacted to collect
* Clerks Salary Review update - Following discussion it was agreed to finalise the notes of the meetings and undertake the Clerks Informal Review prior to the next meeting.

**Planning :**

NP/25/0079/FUL

Proposal       Reconstruction of shed adjacent to chapel & construction of ramp within cemetery.   Pisgah Baptist Chapel, Cresswell Quay, Cresselly, Pembrokeshire, SA68 0TD

The above application was approved at the Development Control Committee at its meeting on 21-May-2025

New - 25/0118/PA - The erection of one wind turbine of up to 76m to tip height and associated infrastructure. Summerton Farm, SAGESTON, Tenby, Pembrokeshire, SA70 8NS Last date for determination 2/7/25. Comments sent.

New - 25/014/1/PA - Variation of Conditions 2 (approved plans) and 3 (planning justification statement) and Removal of Condition 4 (waste/recycling collection) of planning permission 23/1080/PA (Subdivision of A3 unit (fish & chips) approved under 21/0946/PA to create a second A3 unit (stack shack) - partly in retrospect).Site Address: Old Mill, MILTON, Tenby, Pembrokeshire, SA70 8PH - Last date of determination 3/7/25. Decided upon and conditionally approved by PCC on 25/6/25. Community Council unable to comment.

New - 25/0094/PA - Portal framed agricultural building for calf housing and associated works.

 Poyerston, COSHESTON, Pembroke Dock, Pembrokeshire, SA72 4SJ.

Last Date for Determination: 07-Jul-2025. Now conditionally approved by PCC on 26/6/25.

Community Council unable to comment.

New - 25/0155/PA - Residential Development, Site Address: South of Sageston County Primary School, Sageston, Tenby, SA70 8SH. Last Date for Determination: 10-Jul-2025. Comments sent.

Decision - 25/0034/PA Rear single storey extension , South Lodge, Deer Park Lane, Milton Pembrokeshire - Refused by PCC.

Decision - 24/1147/PA Grate at Carreg Lwyd, Llandigwynett. Conditionally approved by PCC.

New from PCNPA - NP/25/0297/CLE -      Residential dwellinghouse (Use Class C3)

Cross Cottage, Carew Newton, Kilgetty, Pembrokeshire, SA68 0TP

Cert of Lawfulness Existing Use. Comments sent.

New – 25/0079/PA - Variation of conditions 2 (reserved matters) and 3 (time limit) of planning permission 21/1220/PA ( Outline application for erection of one dwelling (Access & Layout sought for approval only). Milton Manor , Milton, Tenby Pembrokeshire LDD 8/7/25

Milton Manor, MILTON, Tenby, Pembrokeshire, SA70 8PG

New – Notice of Appeal Hearing

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|  Land Adjacent to Pincheston Farm Complex, Sageston Pembrokeshire, SA70 8SG **Proposed Development:** Provision of two additional family pitches with shared day room, new hay shed/store and update of layout approved under 13/0429/PA. (New Document) **Application Reference:** 24/0061/PA **Planning Inspectorate Appeal Reference:** CAS-04100-Q9H1V1  |

If interested parties wish to make additional comments, they must be received by PEDW within 4 weeks of the starting date by **16/07/2025.**

At Cllr Griffiths’ request Planning Support dept contacted to see if they do training in planning applications.

**INVOICES FOR PAYMENT**

Invoices for payment - SLA for Carew Play area £654.

Invoice for Milton play area SLA £300.

Invoice for payment - Zurich Insurance £612.86

Invoice for payment - Chair travelling expenses to Buckingham Palace £211.05 (\*) Chair declared an interest and withdrew from deliberation.

Invoice for payment - Milton Play Area rent £25.

VAT refund £1324.74 received 19/5/25

Celtic Catch £90 received 22/5/25

Zurich Insurance for West Williamston phone box door received £1399.82 received 5/6/25

West Wales Systems £51 WiFi DD

Easywebsite DD £36.96

Information received from Realfinancial Services re Clerks’ Salary and Standing Order needs amending. Clerk’s Salary increase from £222.55 to £294.80. New Standing Order has been made to reflect this increase (done in the presence of Cllr Marina Griffiths) .

OUT OF MEETING PAYMENT - £107.57 Clerks Salary arrears (by cheque)

Out of Meeting Payment - £312 HMRC

Proposed by Clr Goodman and seconded by Cllr Folder that the above invoices be paid and Councillors agreed to the out of meeting payments.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

* Confirmation from Carew Castle Estates that following conclusion of the probate the new landlord for the Milton Play Area and Gerald Hicks Memorial Ground will

Trollope-Bellow Estates Ltd and will continue to be managed by Edward H Perkins Chartered Surveyors as previously . Noted

* Biodiversity Training dates from OVW
* OVW Social Farms and Gardens Management awards 2026.
* OVW (Llais) Newsletter for May
* LCW Bike Course Maps and Event Update from PCC.
* Planning Aid Wales Annual Training Programme from PAW.
* Webinar Keep Wales Tidy Grant - 2nd June.
* OVW Training Dates -
* OVW - proposals to improve the administration and enforcement of Council Tax in Wales.
* Visit Pembrokeshire.com - 3 x £1000 grants available.
* OVW - Community Mentors to work with Welsh Government on childcare and playwork actions - 2 Bridging the Gap : Tackling the cost of Rural Living Challenges together.
* OVW - 24th June Deafaware eLearning Package free webinar on 23rd June.
* PCC - 8 week programme of Creative Health probably only for Tenby Doctors Surgery patients. On the website .
* OVW - National Awards Conference 2025 Report.
* Chair has sent the Training Handout noes from his “The Council as an Employer – Module 3”.
* Road closure notice Thursday 19/6/25 Carew Newton On website.
* Chair sent the Hywel Dda Community Engagement information on Clinical Services in our Hospitals.
* Llais Newsletter for June (OVW)
* OVW -Cost of Living Crisis Project – upcoming Events - Bridging the Gap : Tackling the cost of Rural Living Challenges together.
* OVW - representatives at Area Liaison meetings. Chair had composed a response to OVW . Chief Exec will hopefully respond also.
* SLCC – Information on “Bootcamp” at Llandrindod Wells 16th July .
* OVW Innovative Practice Seminar in Builth Wells .
* Training Opportunities for Communities – information from Coleg Sir Gar.
* OVW - Consolidation of Planning Law in Wales – Publication of Draft Planning Bill for Wales
* PCC – Working Better Together - Tuesday 23rd September “In Person” at County Hall.
* OVW Constitution and Governance framework.
* PCC - information on avian flu outbreak in Roch, Haverfordwest.On the website
* PCNPA Site Ranger - update on Milton Wild Project.
* Pembrokeshire People First - Drop in event at Haverhub 17th July
* Email (via the website) from residents in Picton Terrace on the proposed Caravan site behind Picton Terrace. Reply has been sent.
* Email from Michael resident re overgrowth of public footpath at Carew Quarry. Quarry Liaison group to meet shortly and this will be raised then
* Pre-Planning application consultation – Cresselly Cricket Club . Councillors agreed that this is not in the Carew community Council area.
* Email from resident re bonfires near Carew Sports Club. A reply has been sent

Website -- Three photos of Councillors have now been posted on the website.

**AUDIT RETURN OF ANNUAL ACCOUNTS** - Due to no meeting in June and Internal Auditor on holiday this item will be put on the Agenda for the August meeting .

**POLICING MATTERS**:

* PCSO Hayward informed that the incidents of gun noise in Sageston presumably a bird scarer is being looked into .
* She provided information on the Herbert Protocol which is information that will be held by DPP on dementia persons in the event that they go missing. Councillors agreed that this was a necessary initiative and the information would be posted on website and the Community Council Facebook page and local community pages also.
* Cllr Dennis informed that thankfully the instances of youths running around Carew Park Estate in the early hours of the morning has decreased due to the high profile police presence and this patrol plan is ongoing.
* PCSO Hayward informed that the incidents of car vandalism in the Parish have been collated and looked into further
* The Go Safe statistics and survey information have been collated by DPP with a view to looking into a further site for the Speed van along 20 mph routs in the Parish.
* PCSO Hayward received information on suspected burglary as reported on community page and will look into this further.
* She will also investigate alleged Finger Post Traffic Light infringements.

**COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT -**  Due to her absence from the meeting County Councillor Thomas provided the following report :-

* Important Reminder - There is a Code of Conduct Training session planned for 14th July at 6 pm with the Monitoring Officer. This session will be held via Teams. Councillors reminded of the importance to attend this event if not already done so.
* Welsh Water – no update . She had sent an email but only recently received the email chain. She will follow this up.
* County Councillor Thomas asked for feedback from the Long Course Weekend. She has a debrief at PCC on 16th July so any feedback to be sent before then.

(Councillors encouraged to contact County Councillor Thomas direct , Chair has also sent his response).

* County Councillor Thomas will join remotely for the August meeting.

“What’s Been Happening, General Discussion, & Items for Agenda for next meeting. -

* + Cllr Goodman asked that hedgerow between phone box in Carew and Flemish Chimney be cut back urgently . PCC has already been asked to do this previously but Clerk will chase up.
	+ Items for Agenda - Informal discussion with Clerk and review

Biodiversity Sub Committee Update.

**Date and time of next meeting**  - The next meeting will be on Wednesday 13th August 2025 at 7 pm in the Committee Room of Carew Memorial Hall.

Clerk informed she would not be able to attend the 10th September meeting. Following discussion it was agreed that this meeting be postponed to 17th September. Website meeting dates to be amended to reflect this.

Chair thanked all for attending and declared the meeting closed.

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