MINUTES OF NOLTON AND ROCH COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT VICTORIA HALL ROCH

6 October 2025

Members present

M. Harries, M. Canton, M. Hammond, J. Hancock, J. Gale and A. Jones. Clerk and County Councillor – N. Neumann.

- 2242 <u>Chairman's welcome and opening remarks</u>
 - M. Harries welcomed all members to the meeting.
- 2243 Apologies
 - T. Jones and A. Peach
- 2244 Declaration of interest
 - J. Hancock declared a personal interest in agenda item pertaining to CLT.
- 2245 Minutes of the previous meetings dated 1 September 2025

Proposer M. Canton and seconded by J. Gale.

M. Harries signed minutes as true record.

- 2246 Clerk's report on matters arising
 - Nolton and Roch Community Land Trust (CLT) No update on this occasion.
 - Updates from the Victoria Hall / Nolton Village Hall and Reading Room
 - Nolton Village Hall: M. Canton confirmed the next fundraiser for the hall will be a
 Halloween event which has been shared via social media. There have been some
 plumbing related issues with the hall which have now been resolved.
 - Victoria Hall: M. Harries confirmed the most recent fundraising event was the Autmn Fair which was well attended. The next fundraiser will be the Rochgate Revival Night scheduled for the 1st November with other events planned throughout November and December to include turkey darts and jive night.
 - Public toilet provisions at Nolton Haven M. Canton updated members on operational matters which in summary were positive with consistent level of donations received. M. Hammond updated members on the building maintenance requirements: All soffits, facias and rainwater goods need replacing. In some places the timberwork is missing/rotten and also needs replacing. The estimated cost would be between £2,000 £3,000. Members felt this work should be done to preserve the building and stop further deterioration, and asked the clerk to tender for the work and gather quotations for members to consider at November's meeting. The clerk updated members on the cost for painting the exterior of the building: £70.00 for two tubs of Weathershield paint, £35.00 for one pot of Hammerite and £25.00 for one pot of green gloss. £130.00 in total for materials, and the clerk committed to undertaking the painting himself at no cost. Members agreed with this spend.
 - Action: Clerk to follow-up.
 - Newgale Coastal Adaptation Scheme The clerk confirmed no update on the occasion.
 - Action: The clerk to follow-up.

- Foot / cycle path around dangerous bend in Roch The clerk confirmed that PCC officers had responded to a most recent enquiry on this matter. PCC are currently working through a feasibility study looking at a new cycle route from Roch to Newgale, and as part of these proposals, funding could be made available to implement the required changes to Church Road highway format around the dangerous bend.
 - o Action: Clerk to follow-up.
- Policing of double yellow lines in Nolton Haven and Welsh Road (Newgale Nolton Haven) parking issues and signage M. Canton confirmed no issues currently. The clerk commented that PCC officers had confirmed no trading licence had been issued at Nolton Haven for 2025. Members felt that given the ice cream vendor had been trading unlawfully throughout the season that the vendor should not be permitted to occupy the location in the future with or without a licence. Members requested that the clerk write to PCC to reinforce this position and to explore the possibility of a disabled parking bay at the location.
 - o Action: Clerk to follow-up.
- Village footpath and signage for Roch to Newgale new footpath The clerk confirmed no update available on this occasion.
 - Action: Clerk to follow-up.
- **Welsh Road Traffic Order** The clerk confirmed no proposal had been received from PCC on this matter. The clerk agreed to follow-up with the traffic team at PCC.
 - o Action: Clerk to follow-up.
- **Defib battery replacement** The clerk confirmed the cost of a new replacement battery for the defib would be £275.00 inc. vat. Alternatively the cost of a new AED Zoll defib would be £950.00 inc. vat. Members agreed to purchase a replacement battery on this occasion at cost £275.00 inc. vat.
 - Action: Clerk to follow-up.

2247 Planning

- PCNPA Proposal: Variation of condition No. 4 of NP/23/0527/FUL for food outlet to ice-cream/coffee bar/sandwich/hot food(not fried) & alcohol sales (Partly Retrospective)
 The Landsker Line, Adjoining Newgale Camping Site, Newgale, Haverfordwest,
 Pembrokeshire, SA62 6AS [NP/25/0483/S73] Application sent round to all Councillors prior to meeting and position formed offline between members. A response submitted to PCNPA on the 26th September to ensure deadline was met.
- PCNPA Proposal: Demolition of existing kitchen & replace with single storey extension and associated external works. Rising Sun, Nolton Haven, Haverfordwest,
 Pembrokeshire, SA62 3NN [NP/25/0497/FUL] Application sent round to all Councillors prior to meeting – Members support the proposed scheme and felt suitable concessions had been provided by the applicants in the new proposal. Response to be submitted to PCNPA.

2248 Finance and Legal Matters

• The clerk updated members on enquiries regarding the cost and availability of a new bench seat at Nolton Haven beach: Online quotes for a similar recycled plastic bench range between £450 - £800 plus vat. A response from PCC (the supplier of the previous benches) was pending. The clerk agreed to update members at the November meeting.

- The clerk updated members on enquiries regarding the cost and availability of a new noticeboard at Nolton: It was previously agreed that the current noticeboard (in very poor condition) located outside the Old Post Office should be replaced and relocated to the Nolton Haven Public Toilet building. The cost of a new customised high quality aluminium noticeboard would be £785 plus vat. This would provide an identical noticeboard to that located on Church Road Roch. Members agreed to the spend and the matter was resolved.
- The clerk requested approval for the following expenditure: £732.00 Eaton-Evans and Morris Solicitors (CAT legal fees), £192.00 C. Jones (toilet cleaning fees), £4.25 Lloyds Bank (banking fees) and £11.99 Hugo Fox (website hosting); members approved and the matter was resolved.
- The clerk updated the councillors on the state of finances and bank account balances.

2249 Correspondence

- Coastal Lighting and Manx Shearwaters
- Emergency Road Closure 2025/562 Class III (C3042) road at Cuffern
- Enhancing Pembrokeshire Invitation for Expressions of Interest
- Victim-Survivor Engagement Network
- Newyddion Bwysig! / Important News! Eich Tîm Bioamrywiaeth yn Un Llais Cymru / Your Biodiversity Team at One Voice Wales
- Pembrokeshire Spotlight Awards 2025
- Autumn News from Pembrokeshire Coast
- Pembrokeshire needs YOUR help now
- Submission of the Draft Annual Remuneration Report 2026–27
- Community Facilities Programme

2250 <u>Meetings attended by Councillors / forthcoming meetings</u>

None.

2251 Other items

- Community Walk at Southwood (Organised by National Trust (NT)) The walk will take place on Sunday 12th October and NT had asked for assistance in promoting the event.
 - o Action: Clerk to follow-up.

2252 PCC report

• Cllr. Neumann updated members on several matters throughout the meeting which are outlined in the meeting minutes herewith.

2253 AOB

- Wood Farm Field and Firebreak Maintenance J. Gale confirmed she had received complaints from residents in Wood Village regarding the lack of firebreaks and maintenance of fields surrounding the village.
- **Hedgerow Encroachment** M. Canton reiterated the issues with the hedgerow encroachment on the Folkestone and Bathersland Roads, and lack of action from the NT.
 - o Action: Clerk to follow-up with PCC.

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None.

Meeting closed at 8.33pm

Next meeting: Monday $\mathbf{3}^{\text{rd}}$ November 2025 at Nolton Village Hall and Reading Room.

Chairman

Signed

Members Attendance FY25-26

Member	Attendance										
	07-04	05-05	02-06	07-07	01-09	6-10					Total
M. Harries	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ					6
A. Peach	Υ	Υ	N	Υ	Υ	N					4
A. Jones	Υ	N	Υ	N	Υ	Υ					4
J. Hancock	N	N	N	Υ	Υ	Υ					3
J. Gale	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ					6
M. Hammond	Υ	Υ	N	Υ	Υ	Υ					5
M. Canton	Υ	N	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ					5
T. Jones	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Υ	N					1
Total	6	4	4	6	8	6					34