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

5 October 2026

Members present
M. Harries, J. Gale, M. Canton, J. Hancock, L. Hancock, A. Peach and T. Jones.
Clerk and County Councillor – N. Neumann.

2376 Chairman's welcome and opening remarks
M. Harries welcomed all members to the meeting.

2377 Apologies
M. Hammond.

2378 Declaration of interest
None.

2379 Minutes of the previous meetings dated 7 September 2026
Proposer J. Gale and seconded by J. Hancock.
M. Harries signed minutes as true record.

2380 Clerk's report on matters arising

- **Updates from the Victoria Hall / Nolton Village Hall and Reading Room**
  - Nolton Village Hall: M. Canton confirmed that more bookings have been secured more recently for the use of the hall. No confirmed events in the calendar as yet.
  - Victoria Hall: M. Harries confirmed the most recent event was the Harvest Fair which was well attended by traders and buyers alike. Coming up there is a Turkey Bingo in collaboration with Camrose and Roch Playgroup in November, and New Years Day Fireworks.
- **Public toilet provisions at Nolton Haven** – M. Canton provided a brief update on recent operational matters. The clerk thanked M. Hammond for helping with recent plumbing repairs. The clerk went on to update members on grant funding progress:
  - PCC officers have confirmed that NRCC have been awarded in principle the sum of £70,000 for a new Changing Places and Unisex Toilets facility at Nolton Haven. The grant funding would come from the Pride in Place Impact Fund (PiPIF).
  - PCC officers have confirmed that a commitment to proceed with the project was needed by March 2027, with the money needed to be drawn down by March 2028.
  - NRCC would need to secure a minimum of £15,000 in match funding, and clerk confirmed he had sent out several enquires for funding from various sources.
  - PCC officers have confirmed the Enhancing Pembrokeshire Fund could be used to match fund the project therefore the clerk will put forward an EOI.
  - PCNPA have confirmed that no planning permission would be required.
  - The clerk confirmed he has meetings arranged with PCNPA and PCC to learn from other changing places projects recently delivered in Pembrokeshire by local authorities, principally, Newport/Treath Mawr and the new Transport Interchange.
  - The clerk confirmed he had emailed PCC Property team to gain landlords consent.

J. Hancock and M. Harries both thanked the clerk for the countless hours already spent obtaining grant funding and pushing the project forward with such vigour. The clerk thanked members for their kind words and reiterated that "the 'Nolton Changing Places Project' is a great opportunity to deliver a fully inclusive facility within our community, and everything should be done to deliver it and make it a success".

  - Action: Clerk to follow-up.

- **Foot / cycle path around dangerous bend in Roch** – The clerk confirmed there was no further update. The clerk agreed to contact PCC highways team to seek update.
  - Action: Clerk / A. Peach to follow-up.
- **Nolton Haven beachfront matters** – M. Canton confirmed the beachfront had been swept but recent strong winds had blown more sand onto the highway. The clerk agreed to follow-up accordingly.
  - Action: Clerk to follow-up.
- **Village footpath and signage for Roch to Newgale new footpath** – The clerk confirmed there was no further update. The clerk agreed to contact PCC highways team to seek update.
  - Action: Clerk to follow-up.
- **NRCC website and addition of local directory** – The clerk confirmed that an extra page had now be added to the existing website at no extra cost. Matter considered as resolved.

2381 Planning

- **PCNPA Proposal: Proposed Single Storey Gym and Garage Extension.**
  Longhill, Roch, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA62 6AW [NP/26/0477/FUL].
  Application sent round to all Councillors prior to meeting. Members have no concerns and support the proposal.

2382 Finance and Legal Matters

- The clerk updated the councillors on the state of finances and bank account balances.
- Expenditure requests:
  - Charlotte Jones (NH toilets cleaning): £192.00
  - PAYE Contributions: £241.91
- Requests for donations FY26/27: None.

2383 Correspondence

- REF: - 6274929 - New supply @ NOLTON HAVEN PUBLIC TOILETS, Nolton Haven Carpark, Nolton Haven
- 'Let's Talk: Living in Pembrokeshire' Survey
- Roch lay-by/picnic area
- Nolton & Roch Community Council meeting - wildflower meadows
- Clinical Services Plan – Stroke Services: conscientious consideration of feedback
- Arolwg 2030 Review
- Working Better Together
- FW: Grantiau Perthyn i Gymunedau/ Perthyn Grants for Communities
- Temporary Road Closure Notification - 2026/764 Class III (C3042) road at Cuffern
- Publication of the Draft Annual Remuneration Report 2026–27

2384 Meetings attended by Councillors / forthcoming meetings

- None.

2385 Other items

- None.

2386 PCC report

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

2387 AOB

- **Defibrillators** – The clerk confirmed he had received an email from a local resident and former member that the defib at Nolton Village Hall and Reading needed replacing. The clerk agreed to check the facility and revert back at the next meeting. M. Harries confirmed he had received a circuit message notifying that the pads are to expire shortly. M. Harries agreed to send the clerk details of the pads to ensure pads are procured in time.
    - Action: M. Harries and the clerk to follow-up.
- **Verge trimming** – M. Canton asked why the verge trimming was delayed this season. The clerk confirmed that PCC had taken the decision to manage more of this service in-house, and the authority had suffered multiple breakdowns and staff sickness, which has led to verge trimming being delayed this season. PCC have committed to all trimming being completed before the end of October.
- **Parking on double yellow lines in Nolton** – M. Canton commented that his observations led him to believe more people are getting parking tickets for parking in the space near The Mariners Inn. The clerk confirmed this was a historic issue and one NRCC had tried to change on several occasions, to include requests for a disabled bay and signage, both refused by the LHA PCC. It was agreed that M. Canton would meet the clerk on site to review options and revert to members at the next meeting.
    - Action: M. Canton and the clerk to follow-up.
- **Hedgerow Encroachment** – J. Hancock raised the historical issue of hedgerow encroachment on our county highways. All members empathised with the issue, one that has been debated many times. J. Hancock felt the lack of action from PCC on this matter was worrying and asked whether this could be raised again with the LHA PCC. J. Hancock questioned whether NRCC could connect with other Community Councils in the area to raise the profile of this issue and to maybe prepare a joint or combined lobbying effort.
    - Action: M. Harries to communicate with both Camrose and Brawdy CC members, and clerk to raise the profile of this issue with LHA PCC.
- **School Catchment Area and School Transport** – M. Harries raised concerns regarding the secondary school catchment area and transport arrangements for pupils from Roch Primary School. He noted that changes to historical arrangements now meant that the catchment secondary school for Roch is now deemed as St Davids, and that transport to Haverfordwest High was not guaranteed if parents decided to send their children to Haverfordwest High now deemed outside the catchment area. M. Harries asked the clerk in his capacity of local councillor to intervene.
    - Action: The clerk to follow-up and assert current policy position.

2388 Items for the next agenda

- None.

Meeting closed at 9.02 pm.

Next meeting: Monday 2nd November 2026 at Nolton Village Hall and Reading Room.

Signed Chairman

Members Attendance FY26-27

Member	Attendance											
	13-04	11-05	01-06	06-07	07-09	05-10	02-11	07-12	01-02	08-03	-	Total
M. Harries	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y						5
A. Peach	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y						4
L. Hancock	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N	Y						1
J. Hancock	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y						6
J. Gale	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y						6
M. Hammond	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N						4
M. Canton	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y						5
T. Jones	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y						6
Total	**7**	**6**	**5**	**6**	**6**	**7**						**37**