

Town Hall Pembroke

7th May 2020

REPORT TO THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING 14th MAY 2020

Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Note from the Clerk.....

Once again as still in lockdown, this report will be sent out to all Pembroke Town Councillors via email. All responses required, please reply individually so I will have a paper trail of decisions made. Just to inform you a little of what has been happening, as you were aware the Welsh Blood Service was in the Town Hall from the 14th to the 17th April. I have spoken to the Planning Manager from the Blood Service and it was well attended and they are holding another session in 2nd week in July and maybe in June also. Kaylee has been into the Hall and has given a good deep clean. As informed by email the leak in the roof has now been fixed and am awaiting quotations to complete the job which is advertised in the Observer on the 8th May 2020. Hill Farm Nurseries have taken the baskets for the flowers, which are hoping to go up early June, and have spoken to PCC (Mark Wright) who is on track for the rest of the flowers to be planted. As per the Library costs which I also sent out by email I am still waiting to hear as to whether the staff have been furloughed.

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

2. TO SIGN AND CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 16th APRIL 2020

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES (for information only)

As per our last report, this date/meeting should be Council's AGM but will be deferred with the current Mayor and Deputy Mayor staying the same position until further notice.

4. PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

20/0038/PA

Proposal: : Alteration and extension to dwelling, along with erection of

a car port

Site Address: Burnside, Norgans Hill, Pembroke, Pembrokeshire, SA71

5EP

20/0050/PA

Proposal: Alterations and Extension

Site Address: Trefusis, Buttermilk Lane, Pembroke, Pembrokeshire, SA71

4TL

19/1218/PA

Proposal: Erection of a single storey timber clad level access cabin

Site Address: Well Hill, Pembroke, SA71 4DJ

5. LICENSING

None

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS DETERMINED

19/1036/PA

Proposal: Erection of Bat House

Site Address: Richmond, 7, Castle Terrace, Pembroke, Pembrokeshire,

SA71 4LA

Decision: Condtionally Approved

7. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Set out below is the list of bills for payment and confirmation:

1	Wages	Week Ending 6/4/2020	572.10
2	Zurich Insurance	Yearly Insurance	6360.44
3	Wages	Week Ending 13/04/2020	572.10

4	Wages	Week Ending 20/04/2020	572.10
5	Wages	Week Ending 27/04/2020	572.10
6	Salaries	April - Monthly	2456.34
7	Carmarthenshire CC	Pensions April	1974.84
8	Total Tech	Wifi Dongles	81.00
9	Total Tech	Telephone Calls	11.47
10	Natwest	Bank Charges	24.45

8. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Regular updates from Pembrokeshire County Council are updated on the Town Council's facebook page.

The following correspondence has been received from Mr Richard Little, Pembroke Power Station Manager of RWE

Dear Councillor Evans,

I thought it appropriate to provide a quick update on Pembroke Power Station and the months ahead.

The Current Covid-19 pandemic has required an urgent response from many organisations, from the National Health Service through to our food supply chains. We are all adapting fast and the electricity supply industry is one of the critical national infrastructures that must do it all it can to ensure continuity of service.

None of us know how long the current restrictions may last, and Pembroke Power station is planning to ensure that it is able to support the security of electricity supply through the summer and coming winter.

Every year we invest millions of pounds in maintenance of the power station to ensure that we can maintain the high levels of safety and reliability that are essential for our operation, and in 2020, we had major maintenance programmes planned on our generating units. This would normally mean somewhere in excess of 300 additional maintenance staff to the area for several months over the summer, an activity that normally contributes significant value to the region through accommodation and local suppliers.

However, in these current circumstances we no longer feel that our base plan is appropriate, so we have adjusted our strategy to minimise the additional risks to both our workforce and the community. The result of this initiative has been a

drastic reduction in the scope of the work we will attempt later this year, now beginning 31st May for 3 months, and with far fewer heavy load movements required.

We will only carry our essential safety works to give us another year of safe operation, and we will minimise the workforce to a smaller (70-100), mostly internal, team of employees. We are working with local providers and Pembrokeshire County Council to establish controlled accommodation and catering for these staff, and in this way seek to minimise the risks associated with moving a workforce from one power station to another.

The Station team take great pride in their role in providing a resource that society depends upon so highly, and I would like to reassure you that we will do all we can to ensure that we carry out these essential works with the highest regard for the safety of the people involved and the community around us.

I will be in touch again with more information as things develop and, in the meantime, if you have any questions or concerns please do get in touch.

9. MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS :-

No official Appointments

10. AGENDA ITEMS

- A) To approve the Minutes of the 16th April 2020
- B) To give a decision on the 3 Planning Applications above
- C) To approve the list of Accounts for Payments
- D) To review and Approve the internal Audit for 2019/20
- D) Any other comments regarding the Report of 14th May 2020