At a Meeting of Pembroke Dock Town Council held at Pater Hall, Pembroke Dock on Thursday, 1st April, 2004 at 6.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

CouncillorMrs. P.E.M.Folland, Mayor Councillors D.T. Esmond, Mrs. C. Fortune, Mrs. P.E. George, P.G. Gwyther, K.C. Higgs, D.L. Jones, S. Perkins, W.S.Rees, Mrs. V.M.J. Roach, R. Watts.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr. T.R. Edwards, Town Clerk Mrs. P.E. Prout, Secretary

The Meeting was opened with Prayer.

1. RETIREMENT – MR. P. TALLETT

The Mayor had invited Mr.P. Tallett to the Chamber to express the Council's appreciation for his assistance to the Town Council over the years both individually and as Chair Person for the Pembroke Dock Chamber of Trade. To mark his retirement after 27 years of trading as Pembroke Fruiterers Mr. Tallett was presented with a Town plaque and a head square for his wife.

Councillor Mrs. P.E. George, Chairman of the Tourism Committee presented Mr. Tallett with a Sunderland plate on behalf of the Tourism Committee as a token of appreciation for the help and assistance he had given during theme weeks and the winter carnivals.

2. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Councillor P. Weatherall.

3. MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor, Councillor Mrs. P.E.M. Folland informed the Council of her engagements since the last meeting.

4. MINUTES

PROPOSED by Councillor Mrs. C. Fortune SECONDED by Councillor R.G. Watts

RESOLVED -

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 11th March, 2004 be adopted as circulated subject to the following amendments:-

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

(a) Minute 197(b) – Laws Street/High Street – Bus Shelter

The Town Clerk stated that he had received an acknowledgement from Pembrokeshire County Council in respect of the above matter.

(b) Minute 197(e) – Crossing Island – Bush Street

Councillor Mrs. V.M.J. Roach stated that this minute was incorrect in that reference was being made to the proposal to provide a crossing island on Bush Street, near the junction with Charlton Place and Albion Square School and not the two existing road crossing on the east end of Bush Street near the new School.

(c) Minute 197(1) – Market – Refurbishment

Councillor Mrs. V.M.J. Roach reported that a protection cover had now been inserted in the frame surrounding the Postage Machine.

It was requested that the press give coverage to the fact that the Friday Market still exists and is open from 7.30 a.m. - 2.00 p.m.

(d) Minute 198(225) – Residents Parking – Meyrick Street

Councillor Mrs. V.M.J. Roach referred to the fact that Council had agreed in principle to the setting up of a scheme in the street, if this was desired by the property holders following consultation by Pembrokeshire County Council.

The Town Clerk stated that at Appendix "A" of his report Pembrokeshire County Council had stated that they had requested the Council's views on the principle of setting up a scheme in this street. If the Council were in agreement they would then consult with the property holders.

RESOLVED –

That the Council agree in principle of setting up a scheme subject to consultation with the property holders.

(e) Minute 231 – Tax Relief Proposals on Second Homes

The Town Clerk had circulated a copy of a letter received from the Inland Revenue for the information of Members on the above subject.

(f) Minute 198(232) – Planning Applications
Planning Application No. 1349/03 – Land at London Road
Morbaine Ltd. – Removal of Condition 7 and Variation
of Condition 8 of Planning Permission No. 98/0010/PA

Councillor Mrs. V.M.J. Roach stated that the two objectors to the above planning matter, Lorettas Fashions and Parrys Shoes should be advised that the Council had decided to approve the application due to the public people requesting that larger stores should be encouraged into the Town.

RESOLVED -

That the Town Clerk write to Lorettas Fashions and Parrys Shoes in respect of the above matter.

(g) Minute 199(236) – Pater Hall – Hire Charges

Councillor Mrs. V.M.J. Roach stated that the final sentence in the second paragraph of this Minute did not read correctly.

RESOLVED -

That the word "which" be omitted from the final sentence in the second paragraph of the preamble of the above Minute.

(h) <u>Minute 201 – South Pembrokeshire Hospital</u>

Councillor S. Perkins stated that she had attended a recent meeting and had expressed the Council's concerns in respect of the progress of the above project.

Councillor S. Perkins stated that with regard to the proposed new Health Centre in Argyle Street she had been advised that this would take some time to proceed.

(i) Minute 203(31) – Payment of Accounts

Councillor Mrs. V.M.J. Roach stated that the names of the proposer and seconder had been omitted.

PROPOSED by Councillor K.C. Higgs SECONDED by Councillor D.L. Jones

RESOLVED -

That the above Minute be amended to include the above proposer and seconder.

(j) Minute 204(a) – Pater Hall – Organisations – ONE9T Events

Councillor Mrs. P.E. George stated that the enquiry with regard to the Albion Square School had been made direct to her and not to the Town Clerk.

(k) Minute 204(b) – Bicycle Riding – Pavements

Councillor Mrs. V.M.J. Roach stated that she had observed two instances of persons riding bicycles on pavements as well as skateboarding on the slate platform, exhibiting the anchor on Western Way.

The Town Clerk reported that he had received a letter from Dyfed-Powys Police regarding the above matter. The Local Beat Officer and Traffic Warden had been advised of the Council's concerns and the problem will be monitored.

(l) Minute 204(c) – Pennar Area – Unsalted Roads

The Town Clerk reported that a letter had been received from Pembrokeshire County Council regarding the above matter which stated that the period of snow was very severe and their resources were fully occupied treating priority routes. It had not been possible to treat local residential roads until all the main roads were safe.

The roads in Pennar were treated after the higher priority routes and every effort was made to make the road network as safe as possible.

(m) Minute 204(g) – Mount/Prospect Place – Sign

Councillor Mrs. V.M.J. Roach stated that the sign had now been removed.

(n) Minute 204(i) Admiralty Way, The Dockyard - Bollard

Councillor Mrs. V.M.J. Roach stated that the bollard had now been refixed in the paving area.

6. REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

1. Pater Hall Community Trust

The Town Clerk advised that at the Public Meeting held in the Pater Hall on the 24th March, 2004 eighteen persons representing nine organisations in the Town attended.

Only two of the four trustees from the community were elected. These were Mrs. Janet Mary Rees and Ms. Ursula Lucinda Carroll. The remaining two community trustees could be appointed by the subscribers to the Memorandum of Association.

Declarations would have to be signed by all the Trustees prior to the application for registration as a charity.

The Town Clerk reported that the following matters were also now proceeding:-

- (a) Opening of a Bank Account.
- (b) Guidance on V.A.T. registration requirement.
- (c) Pembroke Design have been requested to contact the previous lowest tenderer to obtain a revised price for the proposed works.
- (d) The Council's Solicitor has been requested to draft the lease requirements for consideration.
- (e) Letters of support from Hall users and other organisations.

All these matters would have to be dealt with before grant applications are made.

The Town Clerk drew to the attention of Council Members who are Trustees, of the possibility of obtaining dispensation from the Standards Committee to vote on matters concerning the Pater Hall Community Trust.

RESOLVED -

That the Town Clerk make enquiries with the Monitoring Officer regarding the procedure to be followed by the six Council Trustees in applying for dispensation.

2. ONE9T Event

The Town Clerk referred to the request from the ONE9T Event Committee at the last Council Meeting for a further donation of £2,500 in the next financial year, plus the costs of room hire for young peoples' events, which was deferred to this meeting. A copy of the request was enclosed at Appendix "A."

At the meeting on the 25th September, 2003 Council resolved:-

- (1) That the Council make a donation of £2,500 from the Tourism Account to the Pembroke Dock ONE9T Event.
- (2) That a further donation be considered at the budget making meeting for 2004.

The Town Clerk stated that he had been requested by Councillor P. Weatherall to enquire with the Monitoring Officer whether he had to declare his interest and not vote on this matter

The Monitoring Officer had advised that like the other Committee Members, he appeared to have an interest, and could speak but not vote on matters concerning the event.

Councillor K.C. Higgs stated that sponsorship would be forthcoming from many sources but the timescale was uncertain. The ONE9T Committee were concerned that they had to make payments for acts booked later in the month.

It was

PROPOSED by Councillor W.S. Rees SECONDED by Councillor D.T. Esmond

That the Council make a further donation of £2,500 being the total contribution to the ONE9T event.

A recorded vote having been requested the following votes were recorded:-

For the Proposition

Councillor D.T. Esmond
Councillor Mrs. C. Fortune
Councillor P.G. Gwyther
Councillor S. Perkins
Councillor W.S. Rees
Councillor R.G. Watts

6 votes

Against the Proposition

NIL

Abstention

Councillor Mrs. V.M. J. Roach

Councillors Declared Interest Unable to vote

Councillor Mrs. P.E.M. Folland Councillor Mrs. P.E. George Councillor K.C. Higgs Councillor D.L. Jones

The Mayor thereupon declared that the proposition was CARRIED.

RESOLVED -

That the Council make a further donation of £2,500 being the total contribution to the ONE9T event.

Discussion ensued with regard to the room hire of Pater Hall for the young peoples' events and it was

FURTHER RESOLVED –

That the ONE9T Committee be requested to provide further information on hiring of Pater Hall for consideration at the next Council Meeting.

3. Floral Baskets

The Town Clerk reported that two tenders had been received for the filling of 70 floral baskets for display in the Town during the coming season. As resolved at the last Council Meeting, two tower displays will be placed in Edinburgh Square. Consent had been received from Pembrokeshire County Council.

The Town Clerk suggested that a price for filling these new displays be negotiated with the lowest tenderer. The quotations were:-

Pembroke Nurseries, Slade Cross

Price for filling	-	£10	per basket
Labour for fixing	-	£6	per hour per person
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Bush School Nurse	<u>ries</u>		
Price for filling	-	£15	per basket
Labour for fixing	-	£7	per hour per person

The Town Clerk reported that a letter had been received from Pembroke Nurseries which stated that if they were the selected tenderer for the filling of the floral baskets for the display in the Town they wish to register their concern that the plants would only last two-three months on the present system of watering once a week.

RESOLVED –

- (1) That the lowest tender submitted by Pembroke Nurseries be accepted for the floral displays in the Town for 2004.
- (2) That the Town Clerk negotiate with Pembroke Nurseries a price for the filling of the two new "tower" displays.

4. Pembrokeshire Coast National Park

The Town Clerk enclosed at Appendix "B" a letter from the National Park Officer which invited Members to have an informal look around the refurbished offices at Llanion Park on 1^{st} April, 2004 between 2.00 p.m. -4.00 p.m. The Offices will be operational from the 20^{th} April, 2004.

The Town Clerk stated that as per Council decision he had contacted Pembrokeshire County Council regarding the relocation of the cannon back to its former position at Llanion Park. Pembrokeshire County Council had intimated that no decision had yet been made regarding the relocation of the cannon but advised that the mater was being kept under review.

5. Play Areas In Pembrokeshire

The Town Clerk enclosed at Appendix "C" a letter from the Leader of Pembrokeshire County Council regarding a revised play area strategy. The existing scheme had been amended following two meetings with the Pembrokeshire Association of Local Councils.

Before a final decision was taken on the amended scheme, observations were requested by the 5th April, 2004.

RESOLVED -

That the Leader of Pembrokeshire County Council be advised that the Council had resolved to inform him that the maintenance of existing and new play areas must remain the responsibility of Pembrokeshire County Council.

6. Waiting Restriction – Bush Street (East End)

The Town Clerk referred to the concerns regarding the parking of vehicles in this area at peak school times and enclosed at Appendix "D"a letter from Pembrokeshire County Council which detailed a proposal to introduce further double yellow lines on the south side, near the chichanes.

RESOLVED -

That Pembrokeshire County Council be requested not to introduce further double yellow lines at the above location as this is unnecessary as vehicles do not park there.

7. <u>Draft Fire and Rescue Service National Framework for Wales</u>

The Town Clerk reported that a copy of the above draft had been received and was available for Members' perusal. Comments were invited by the 3rd May, 2004.

8. Lewis Street – Traffic Flow

The Town Clerk enclosed at Appendix "E" a letter from the local Traffic Warden which contained a proposal to reverse the current one-way traffic flow in Lewis Street.

RESOLVED -

- (1) That the letter from the Traffic Warden be forwarded to Pembrokeshire County Council for their administrative attention with no comment being submitted from the Town Council.
- (2) That the Traffic Warden be advised that his concerns on traffic flows and waiting restrictions should firstly be submitted to Pembrokeshire County Council.

9. Landscape Enhancement at Waterloo Roundabout

The Town Clerk referred to the debate at the last Council Meeting, regarding the future planting of shrubs on roundabouts and enclosed at Appendix "F" details of the proposals for the landscape enhancement at Waterloo Roundabout, received from Pembrokeshire County Council. It was hoped to start the work before May, 2004. Comments on the design were invited.

RESOLVED -

That the Council advise Pembrokeshire County Council that they wish the Waterloo roundabout to remain planted as at present i.e. bedding plants, as other roundabouts planted with shrubs had become neglected due to poor maintenance.

10. Planning Applications

The following applications had been received and were submitted for consideration by Council:-

1423/03 Mr. & Mrs. Roberts Plot 1, Fairways –

79 Park Street Dwelling and attached double

Pembroke Dock garage

Councillor Mrs. V.M.J. Roach referred to the applications for Fairways development to be considered and reminded Members of the Petition which had been received from residents who wished to lodge a formal claim to a footpath across the site. The Town Clerk had forwarded the Petition but delays had been experienced in obtaining additional information and the claim forms.

PROPOSED by Councillor Mrs. V.M.J. Roach SECONDED by Councillor R.G. Watts

RESOLVED –

That the Council defer the application until the claims that there is a footpath across the site is investigated.

Councillor S. Perkins referred to the mistaken address which appears in some of the applications being considered as Old Llanion Barracks

RESOLVED -

That Pembrokeshire County Council's attention be drawn to the mistaken address referred to above.

1446/03 Mr. & Mrs. T.M. Phillips Plot 13, The Fairways, Old Llanion

6 Connaught Place Barracks –

Llanion Park Residential House

Pembroke Dock

PROPOSED by Councillor Mrs. V.M.J. Roach SECONDED by Councillor K.C. Higgs

RESOLVED -

That the Council have no objection to the application subject to claims that there is a footpath across the site being investigated. 1448/03 Mr. G.E. Brown 3 Belle Vue Street

Neyland

Plot 16, Fairways, Barrack Hill – One Dwelling

One Dwelling

PROPOSED by Councillor D.T. Esmond SECONDED by Councillor Mrs. P.E. George

RESOLVED -

That the Council have no objection to the application. subject to claims that there is a footpath across the site being investigated

1451/03 Mr. & Mrs. F. Brown Plot 15, The Fairways, Old Llanion

4 The Parade Barracks –

Pembroke Dock Detached bungalow and garage

PROPOSED by Councillor K.C. Higgs SECONDED by Councillor P.G. Gwyther

RESOLVED -

That the Council have no objection to the application. subject to claims that there is a footpath across the site being investigated.

1453/03 Mr. & Mrs. P. Brown Plot 12, The Fairways, Old Llanion

6 St. Michaels Road Barracks –

Pembroke Erection of Dwelling

PROPOSED by Councillor D.T. Esmond SECONDED by Councillor R.G. Watts

RESOLVED -

That the Council have no objection to the application. subject to claims that there is a footpath across the site being investigated.

1463/03 Mr. D. Hallett 4 Front Street

Pembroke Dock

Plot 3, Fairways, Barrack Hill – Bungalow and garage

PROPOSED by Councillor Mrs. V.M.J. Roach SECONDED by Councillor R.G. Watts

That the application be deferred until the claims that there is a footpath across the site is investigated.

An Amendment was

PROPOSED by Councillor D.T. Esmond SECONDED by Councillor W.S. Rees

That the Council have no objection to the application. subject to claims that there is a footpath across the site being investigated.

The Mayor thereupon put the Amendment to the Meeting and the following voting was recorded:-

For the Amendment 7 votes Against the Amendment NIL

The Mayor thereupon declared the Amendment CARRIED.

RESOLVED -

That the Council have no objection to the application. subject to claims that there is a footpath across the site being investigated.

1468/03 Mr. S. Todd 8 Stranraer Avenue, Pennar –

8 Stranraer Avenue Garage/Workshop

Pennar

Pembroke Dock

PROPOSED by Councillor Mrs. C. Fortune SECONDED by Councillor P.G. Gwyther

RESOLVED -

That the Council have no objection to the application.

1470/03 Mr. S. Davidson Land adjacent to 82, Stranraer Road,

c/o Ken Morgan Ltd. Pennar –

The Studio Erection of one pair of semi-

Little Greenway detached houses

Narberth

PROPOSED by Councillor P.G. Gwyther SECONDED by Councillor Mrs. C. Fortune

RESOLVED -

That the Council have no objection to the application.

1471/03 Mr. A. Davies Plot 9, Land to rear of Essex Road,

South Haven Construction Llanion –

Stockwell Road Residential Dwelling

Pembroke Dock

PROPOSED by Councillor K.C. Higgs SECONDED by Councillor D.T. Esmond

RESOLVED -

That the Council have no objection to the application subject to height of the dwelling being restricted in accordance with the height restriction of other dwellings on the estate. Confirmation in writing that this will be undertaken was requested. It was reported that the statutory notice was not placed on the correct parcel of land.

1472/03 St. Johns Community Hall St. Johns Community Hall, Bush

Management Committee Street –

c/o 31 Devonshire Road Proposed glazed porch extension

Llanion Park Pembroke Dock

PROPOSED by Councillor R.G. Watts SECONDED by Councillor S. Perkins

RESOLVED -

That the Council have no objection to the application

1474/03 South Meadow Homes Ltd. Plots 18, 20 & 22, Hampshire Drive,

1 Gibbas Way Llanion –

Pembroke 3 No. Residential Buingalows

PROPOSED by Councillor K.C. Higgs SECONDED by Councillor D.T. Esmond

RESOLVED -

That the Council have no objection to the application.

1475/03 Mr. & Mrs. D. James Kingswood Farm, London Road –

139 Main Street Partial reconstruction as amendment to outbuilding conversion to single

dwelling

PROPOSED by Councillor S. Perkins SECONDED by Councillor R.G. Watts

RESOLVED -

That the Council have no objection to the application

1486/03 Pembrokehire County Council Cleddau Bridge Business Park –

County Hall Pembroke Technium comprising
Haverfordwest B1office use to start up business
with university research facilities

PROPOSED by Councillor S. Perkins SECONDED by Councillor R.G. Watts

RESOLVED -

That the Council have no objection to the application.

7. BUS SHELTER OUTSIDE FORMER GAS SHOWROOMS, BUSH STREET

The Town Clerk reported that he had received a complaint that the bus shelter outside the former Gas showrooms had been removed and enquired as to whether it would be replaced. Pembrokeshire County Council had advised that the Adshel shelter had been provided some year ago and had been removed because it was unsafe. Replacement had not be considered.

8. FLOWER FESTIVAL $-9^{TH} - 15^{TH}$ AUGUST, 2004

The Town Clerk reported that a letter had been received from St. John's Church which advised that as part of the ONE9T celebrations a flower festival would be held and requested that the Council would participate in the event.

RESOLVED –

That the Council support the event.

9. SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE – FRESHWATER WEST

The Town Clerk reported that the Mayor and Councillors had received an invitation to attend the Service of Remembrance to H.M. Landing Craft's (L) 15 and 16 and H.M.S. Rosemary on Sunday, 25th April, 2004 at 3.00 p.m.

The Mayor stated that she would be laying a wreath on behalf of the Town Council at the above ceremony.

10. MEMORIAL PARK – COUNCIL PLAQUE

The Town Clerk reported that he had been advised by a member of the public that one of the Council plaques was missing in the Memorial Park. The Town Clerk stated that the plaque which was missing had been to celebrate the anniversary of V.J. Day when Councillor Mrs. P.E. George was Mayor in 1995.

RESOLVED -

That the Town Clerk be authorised to arrange for a replacement plaque in the Memorial Park.

11. NOTICE OF MOTION

The Town Clerk reported that he had received the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillors S. Perkins, R. Watts, P. Weatherall and K. Higgs with reference to Minute 207 of the meeting held on the 19th February, 2004

"The four Councillors listed would like to discuss with fellow Councillors again at our next Council Meeting, the proposed new one-way system in Dimond Street, Pembroke Dock."

The Town Clerk stated that the Chamber of Trade had undertaken a survey and more than half had preferred the one way system to be the opposite way to the proposal accepted by the Council i.e. to make Dimond Street (west) one way from Meyrick Street to Lewis Street.

After detailed consideration it was

RESOLVED -

That Minute 181(207) be rescinded and that Pembrokeshire County Council be advised of the Council's decision that the proposal to make Dimond Street (west) one way from east to west from Laws Street to Meyrick Street, be approved.

12. REPORT OF FINANCIAL OFFICER

1. Payment of Accounts

The following accounts were submitted for approval of payment:-

1.	Jewson – Materials	£13.30
2.	Hagemeyer – Lamps	£21.19
3.	The Consortium – Stationery	£32.72
4.	Pitney Bowes – Postage	£50.00
5.	Pembroke Dock Karate Club – Donation	£100.00
6.	M. Katra – Computer Support	£105.00
7.	Kalamazoo – Wages Stationery	£183.09
8.	SWALEC – Electricity – Christmas Lighting	£637.07

The Town Clerk requested that account No. 3 The Consortium be increased to £64.91.

The Town Clerk requested that the following accounts be included for approval of payment:-

9. SWALEC – Electricity – Albion Square Cenetenary Lamp	£10.31
10. British Gas – Gas – Pater Hall	£1,183.40
11. Konica Minolta Business Solutions – Photocopying	£69.30

PROPOSED by Councillor D.T. Esmond SECONDED by Councillor R.G. Watts

RESOLVED –

That account nos. 1 - 11 be approved for payment.

13. MATTERS RAISED VERBALLY

(a) <u>Upper Gwyther Street/The Mount – Stone Block</u>

Councillor Mrs. V.M.J. Roach reported that there was a large stone block which had become dislodged out of the wall, lying by the side of the road at the location.

RESOLVED -

That Pembrokeshire County Council be requested to investigate this complaint and take appropriate action.

(b) Train Service

Councillor Mrs. V.M.J. Roach referred to the proposed train services being offered to passengers from this area which included changing trains at Carmarthen on most services together with the long wait for connecting services eastwards.

RESOLVED -

That the Town Clerk write to Arriva Trains Wales expressing the Council's concern regarding the poor standard of service to passengers travelling from this area eastwards.

(c) Former DPS Composite – Ferry Lane

Councillor Mrs. V.M.J. Roach referred to the Management buy-out of former DPS Composites at Ferry Lane.

RESOLVED -

That a letter of support and good wishes be sent to United Aerospace Ltd.

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