

TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR PERKY AGM TO BE HELD ON MONDAY 22ND JANUARY 2024 AT 6:30 PM BY ZOOM

PERKY has in effect lain dormant over the past year. As reported at the AGM in January 2023 the funds had reduced to £200. At this meeting it was decided that we should not wind up PERKY but should remain in existence, in case, as a local charity with a wide objective, we could assist any worthwhile projects being planned in Dale or the surrounding area.

The Trustees have been approached by Sarah Bagley of Windswept CIC with a proposal that PERKY joins forces with Windswept to apply for grants to fund a "Changing Places" facility in Dale. As many of you will be aware Windswept is doing fantastic work with people with disabilities enabling them to get on the water in various different craft. It is wonderful to see the enjoyment this provides. These activities are very much hampered by the fact that there is no place for carers to assist those participating to change before and after their sessions. The Local Authority has provided this kind of facility at Whitesands Bay. A similar facility in Haverfordwest is owned by Voluntary Organisation (Value Independence) and is primarily for use by its disabled clients. However Value Independence also allows local people with disabled relatives who have no suitable bathing/showering facilities to use it. So we think a Changing Place in Dale would also be a hugely useful resource for the Peninsula for this reason as well. Another possible idea would be to site a public access but paid for shower for the increasing number of people coming to Dale to swim.

The Community Council and Pembrokeshire County Council are both supportive of the disabled changing places facility. The planning authority has given advice which indicates there would be no great difficulty in obtaining planning permission for this building. The siting of the building, running costs and various other issues still have to be discussed and agreed. Then the business of applying for grants to fund the project begins.

The Trustees have met and have decided they would like to join Windswept in this project.

Treasurer's report

PERKY ACCOUNTS JANUARY 2023 - JANUARY 2024			
		Income	Expenditure
Start Bank Balance	£224.16		
Easy Fundraising		£15.56	
PAVS membership			£30.00
Closing Bank Balance	£209.72		

The members of the now wound up WWAG Committee – John Reynolds, Sue Twidale and John Mecklenburgh have agreed that funds they were keeping for the upkeep of craft previously owned by WWAG - £976.20 – should be passed to PERKY.

John Bramley
Chair of PERKY Trustees
18/1/24