Application Type: Full
Reference: 10/510
Applicant: Dr K Chesworth,
Agent: Dr Chesworth
Proposal: Replacement Notice Board
Site Location: Village Car Park, Moylegrove

Description:
Approval is sought for a replacement notice board in the public car park at Moylegrove in North Pembrokeshire. This application comes before the committee as it relates to land owned by the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority. The existing notice board has deteriorated with age with rotting timber compromising its integrity. The proposed notice board is located in the same location as the existing, close to the entrance to the car park on the Eastern side. It will be slightly larger in scale and will comprise a simple and traditional design approach. The proposal is considered to remain in-keeping with the existing rural village character of Moylegrove whilst improving the levels of amenity enjoyed. The application is recommended for approval by the Authority.

Consultee Response:
NEVERN COMMUNITY COUNCIL: Approved.

Public Response:
None to date.

Officers Appraisal:
Policies:
LDP Policies –
1. National Park Purposes and Duty
15. Conservation of the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park
29. Sustainable Design
30. Amenity

PPW 3 chapters -
4. Planning for Sustainability

Technical Advice Notes -
12. Design

Supplementary Planning Guidance –
Guidance for Sustainable Design in the National Parks of Wales
Validation of Planning Applications

Officers Appraisal:
Background & Description – The site is located within the rural village of Moylegrove in North Pembrokeshire. The car park has 11 spaces and is accessed from the North. At the North West corner there is a public telephone box. Two small buildings are located in the South Eastern corner, one comprising public toilets and the other comprising a Coast Guard building. In the North Eastern corner, on the grass verge, there is a PCNPA sign, the existing timber notice board and a post box. Neighbouring properties surround the site with a stream running adjacent to the Eastern boundary.

The timber notice board is located 3m in from the Northern boundary of the car park. It is supported by two vertical posts and is 1.35m wide. It represents a simple design approach with double glazed
cabinet doors for access to and protection of the board and an overhanging ridged top rail. This notice board has been in place for 25 years and is now showing signs of weathering and decay, compromising its structural integrity and visual appearance.

Current proposal – The proposal seeks to replace this notice board with a new, timber frame combination board in the same position. The application is on the agenda as the land is owned by the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park.

Key Issues:
- The acceptability of the proposed design in respect of the existing character of the local area
- The impact of the proposal on the existing amenity levels of the local area.

Analysis:

The new board, like the existing, will be supported by two vertical posts, although it will be 0.5m wider than the existing. Excluding the supporting posts, the board will measure 1.85m wide by 1m high. The new board will be slightly lower than the existing as it will have a flat timber rail along the top instead of the existing ridged design. It will have a permanent display section for visitor information and an opening (lockable) glazed cabinet for village notices. The board will be constructed using Welsh Oak for the frame and safety glass for the glazed panels. The new design introduces the ability to display permanent visitor information whilst maintaining a section for village notices.

The proposed notice board takes on a simple and functional design approach, following on from the existing notice board. It is considered to remain in keeping with the existing rural village character of Moylegrove and provide a more visually attractive alternative to the existing notice board. The new design enhances the ability to display local and visitor information and as such is considered to improve the level of local knowledge and visitor understanding of the area, having a positive impact upon existing amenity levels.

The proposed location for the notice board is located within a TAN 15 Flood Zone, however given the nature of the proposal, the principal of development within this zone is considered acceptable.

As such, it is considered that the application is acceptable..

Recommendation:

That full consent be granted.
Moylegrove Village - Proposed New Notice Board

- Combination unit
- Permanent display for visitors with information about the village and local walks
- Village notices
- Made out of Welsh oak by local joiner
- Proposal agreed with both Eliane Jones & Geraint Harries of the National Park Authority
- We will improve access to the notice board by removing the concrete step that is currently in place.
Road through village

Proposed village notice board to replace existing old board.

Dimensions of new board:
- 1.85m
- 1.0m

Consisting board: 1.35m

Concrete step to be removed to allow for wheelchair access.

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