
**CYNGOR CYMUNED
PENYRHEOL TRECENYDD ENERGLYN
COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT PENYRHEOL COMMUNITY CENTRE
ON THURSDAY, 16th FEBRUARY 2017**

Present :

Chair

Cllr T ap Hywel

Community Councillors

W H Allen, H R Davies, Mrs S ap Hywel, Cllr Mrs M E Sargent, J Scriven, S Skivens

Clerk to the Council - Mrs Helen Treherne

Youth Ambassador – Meg Owen

143. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The Chairman welcomed members to the meeting. Apologies had been received from Cllrs Ms M Britton, C Coombes and P Slarke.

The Chairman then introduced Mr Merkel, a Trecenydd resident, who wanted to speak to Councillors about speeding and using his street as a shortcut from First Avenue to Second Avenue. A number of site visits had been held with Councillors, former AM Lindsay Whittle and CCBC officers and it had been decided that, following some near-misses, including involving children and also subject to funding, a bollard would be placed at the end of the street, to prevent drivers from using this street as a shortcut. Mr Merkel said that nothing had yet been done. Following discussion it was resolved that the Clerk would contact CCBC for an update on when the bollard would be erected. Mr Merkel also reported that drivers were parking on pavements in Trecenydd, which caused an obstruction for pushchairs and wheelchairs. Although this concern had been raised in the past by the Community Council, it was resolved that the Clerk would contact CCBC's Safety Warden and the Police.

RESOLVED – Clerk to contact CCBC re : bollard and parking
on pavements in Trecenydd

144. MINUTES OF MEETING

It was brought to the Clerk's attention that under minute number 139 (a) of the minutes of 19th January 2017, the Clerk had referred to Cllr Terry ap Hywel and Cllr Mrs Sue ap Hywel as 'ap Holvey'. The Clerk apologised for this typographical error. It was then moved to accept the minutes by Cllr W H Allen and seconded by Cllr H R Davies.

145. **MATTERS ARISING**

- (a) The Clerk gave an update on the list of items from the previous meeting that she had been asked to raise with Caerphilly County Borough Council.

146. **CODE OF CONDUCT FOR MEMBERS**

Declarations of Interest – Public Register

The Clerk reminded Members that it is their responsibility and duty to declare any interest they may have in matters that come before meetings of the Community Council.

RESOLVED – Noted (to comply with requirements of the Local Government Act 2000)

147. **POLICE AND RELATED MATTERS**

There was no Police representation at the meeting. There were no items to bring to the attention of the Police.

RESOLVED : Noted

148. **WHQS ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMME**

Cllr J Scriven asked for Bethan Smith's contact details to discuss a walkabout in Treceenydd.

RESOLVED – Noted

149. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The following planning applications were considered :

- (a) 17/0030/FULL – 2 Ty Nant, Penyrheol, Caerphilly CF83 2RA
- Create parking space and turning facility
- (b) 17/0031/FULL – 11 Maes-y-Drudwen, Caerphilly CF83 2QG
- Erect two-storey extension to side of property

The above planning applications were considered by the Council.

RESOLVED – in the general interest of the community that :

having been previously circulated to Members and having received no comments or objections in respect of application (a) and (b), the Clerk's action in informing the Planning Authority that the Council does not wish to make any comments or raise any objections to the application be noted.

RESOLVED – Noted

150. **MEMBERS ITEMS**

(a) **Various**

The Clerk gave an update of matters that have been resolved and matters that are still under discussion with CCBC.

RESOLVED – Noted

(b) **Various**

The Clerk requested Members to advise her of any matters they have previously requested to be raised with CCBC that are still unresolved or outstanding.

The Clerk advised Members that if they report any matters to the Customer Care Line of CCBC that they obtain the log number as this is very important in following up matters.

RESOLVED – Noted

- (c) Cllr J Scriven reported that litter was being dropped at the bottom of First Avenue in Trecenydd, on the spare bit of land. He requested that a bin be placed there.

PTE02/2017
– litter First Avenue

RESOLVED – Clerk to contact CCBC

- (d) Cllr J Scriven reported that the bench in Trecenydd Park had been burnt down by vandals. It was resolved that the Clerk would contact CCBC to see if this could be replaced with a metal bench.

PTE02/2017
– bench
Trecenydd
Park

RESOLVED – Clerk to contact CCBC

- (e) Cllr J Scriven reported that the road leading to the snooker club in Trecenydd, leading down to the bridge, was full of potholes. It was resolved that the Clerk would contact CCBC.

PTE02/2017
– Trecenydd
potholes

RESOLVED – Clerk to contact CCBC

- (f) Cllr H R Davies asked about the bursary for St Cenydd Community School. The Clerk informed him that the bursary was available whenever they needed it. Cllr Davies said that he would inform the school.

RESOLVED – Cllr H R Davies to contact St Cenydd

151. **REPORTS ON MISCELLANEOUS MEETINGS**

a) **Various**

Cllr W H Allen reported that he had attended :

CCBC Liaison meeting;

CAT meeting at St Andrew's Church.

b) **Various**

Cllr H R Davies reported that he had attended :

Hendredenny Primary School Governors' meeting;

St Cenydd Community School meeting.

c) **Various**

Cllr Mrs S ap Hywel reported that he had attended :

Community Christmas Concert review meeting.

b) **Various**

Cllr T ap Hywel reported that she had attended :

Community Christmas Concert review meeting.

c) **Various**

Cllr S Skivens reported that he had attended :

Meeting with St John's Ambulance regarding defibrillators. It was resolved that he would ask them to attend a future meeting to discuss.

152. **YOUTH AMBASSADOR**

The Youth Ambassador reported that she had attended three classrooms to discuss the proposed skate park and that 39 pupils out of those three classrooms had expressed an interest in attending consultations etc to discuss further. Three pupils would be asked to attend the Skate Park Working Group meeting to represent the young people.

RESOLVED – Noted

153. **SPECIAL PROJECT**

There was no update yet on the proposed former 49 Club project. Cllr Skivens and Cllr Scriven would report back when further information was available.

RESOLVED – Cllrs J Scriven and S Skivens to submit proposal

154. **SUMMER PLAYSCHMES**

The Clerk reported that adverts had gone out for the playworker and play leader vacancies. She said she was having difficulty recruiting people with the required playworker qualifications. CCBC would be running a top-up course for this but there would be a cost.

RESOLVED – Clerk to keep Councillors updated

155. **NEWSLETTER**

The Clerk reported that she would be arranging a Newsletter sub-committee but asked Councillors for contributions to the newsletter by the next meeting.

RESOLVED – Councillors to submit ideas articles by next meeting and Clerk to arrange sub-committee meeting

156. **SKATE PARK**

The Clerk reported that a Working Group meeting would be held with officers from CCBC and GAVO and youth representatives and the Chairman would report back to next meeting.

RESOLVED – Clerk to arrange Working Group meeting

157. **CHRISTMAS EVENTS REVIEW**

A Christmas events review meeting was scheduled before the meeting proper but, due to it being inquorate, the meeting did not take place. It was asked if Caerphilly Male Voice Choir could sing at this year's concert. It was resolved that the Clerk would write to Aber Valley Male Voice Choir to thank them very much for their wonderful performances over the past few years.

RESOLVED – Clerk to write to Aber Valley Male Voice Choir and Caerphilly Male Voice Choir

158. **CORRESPONDENCE**

(a) **Press Items**

The Clerk outlined press cuttings of interest that affected the Council's area.

RESOLVED – Noted

(b) **Caerphilly County Borough Council**

An email had been received, attaching the Reforming Local Government White Paper. It was resolved that this would be discussed in more detail at the next meeting.

RESOLVED – To be placed on agenda for next meeting

(c) **General correspondence**

No general correspondence had been received.

159. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF DONATIONS**

No acknowledgements had been received.

160. **DONATIONS**

(a) Caerphilly Comic Con

RESOLVED – in the interest of benefit to the community that a donation of £200 be approved.

161. **APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS FOR FEBRUARY**

The following payments were approved by the Council :

- (a) Clerk's salary – February 2017;
- (b) Clerk's expenses – February 2017;
- (c) Inland Revenue – February 2017;
- (d) Members' expenses – February 2017;
- (e) Liaison Committee subs - £100.

162. **ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED AT NEXT MEETING**

Reforming Local Government White Paper.

RESOLVED - Noted

163. **NEXT MEETING**

RESOLVED that the next meeting be held on Thursday, 16th March 2017 at 7.00 pm.

PLEASE NOTE

Should there be any queries relating to these minutes would Members kindly contact the Clerk.