MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT PENYRHEOL COMMUNITY CENTRE  
ON THURSDAY, 17th MARCH 2016

Present :

Chair
Cllr S Skivens

Community Councillors
W H Allen, Ms M Britton, H R Davies, Cllr Mrs S ap Hywel, Cllr T ap Hywel,
A W Pennington, Cllr J Scriven

Clerk to the Council - Mrs Helen Treherne

Miss Meg Owen, Youth Ambassador

179. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

Apologies had been received from C Coombes, P Slarke and Mrs M E Sargent.

180. MINUTES OF MEETING

The minutes of the Council Meeting held on 18th February 2016, having been
previously circulated, were considered and duly accepted and signed as a true
record by the Chairman.

181. 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.

(b) A reply had been received from CCCB re : sign required for local shops in
Penyrheol. CCBC would only consider the provision of such signs for
large retail developments. Councillors asked the Clerk to return to CCBC to
ask how much a sign would cost if the Community Council paid for it.

RESOLVED – Clerk to contact CCBC re : price
182. **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)

183. **POLICE AND RELATED MATTERS**

As per agreement, there was no Police presence at the meeting and no Police matters were raised.

RESOLVED : Noted

184. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The following planning applications were considered:

(a) 16/0070/FULL – 13 Rhuddlan Court, Hendredenny, Caerphilly CF83 2UQ
   - Erect a two storey side extension

(b) 16/0117/FULL – 34 Sunningdale, Caerphilly CF83 1BB
   - Erect a bedroom extension at first floor level

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

185. **BURSARIES FOR SCHOOLS**

The Head Teacher of Cardinal Newman had expressed an interest in the bursary and the Chairman would be meeting with the Head to discuss further. No reply had been received from any of the other schools to date.

RESOLVED – Chairman to meet with Head Teacher of Cardinal Newman
186. **WHQS Environmental Improvement Programme**

A reply had been received from Bethan Smith to say that she would come back to a future meeting when she had further news.

RESOLVED – Noted

187. **PENYRHEOL LIVE 2016**

The Chairman and Cllr Ms M Britton reported that this event would not now be going ahead this year but plans were in hand to organise the event for 2017. The Chairman had been in touch with several people who had expertise in putting on large events such as this and the committee would now follow up on this.

RESOLVED – Noted

188. **IMPROVEMENTS TO SKATE PARK**

The Chairman said that he was going to contact CCBC to enquire whether £106 money could be used for the skate park.

RESOLVED – Chairman to contact CCBC

189. **LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

The Chairman reported that the consultation period had been extended until 10th April.

RESOLVED - Noted

190. **FESTIVE LIGHTING**

Cllr T ap Hywel, Cllr Mrs S ap Hywel and Cllr Mrs M E Sargent to visit the yard where the festive lights were being held to discuss what was required.

RESOLVED – Councillors to visit yard

191. **YOUTH AMBASSADOR**

The Youth Ambassador said that she had received complaints about the temporary traffic lights outside Penyrheol Community Centre and residents felt the lack of a proper pathway was dangerous. Cllr H R Davies said that he would pass the details of Wales & West Utilities to the Clerk for her to find out what was happening. The Youth Ambassador said that she had received complaints about the wall by the petrol garage in St Cenydd Road being dangerous.

RESOLVED – Cllr H R Davies to pass telephone number of Wales & West Utilities to the Clerk and Clerk to contact CPSO regarding the dangerous wall
192. **SUMMER PLAYSCHEMES**

The Clerk informed Councillors that an advert had now gone out for seven playworkers. A shortlisting sub-committee would be called in due course.

RESOLVED – Noted

193. **NEWSLETTER**

The Chairman asked Councillors to for more ideas for the next issue of the newsletter.

RESOLVED – Noted

194. **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 from CCBC re: footway reconstruction works to Brookside Close, Penyrheol, which were due to start on 2\textsuperscript{nd} March.

RESOLVED – Noted

An email had been received from CCBC re: footway reconstruction works at Bowls Terrace, Penyrheol, which were due to start on 14\textsuperscript{th} March.

RESOLVED – Noted

An email had been received from CCBC re: the Welsh Government’s: Shared Purpose, Shared Future statutory guidance for the wellbeing of future generations.

RESOLVED – Noted

(c) **General correspondence**

No general correspondence had been received.

RESOLVED – Noted
195. **REPORTS ON MISCELLANEOUS MEETINGS**

a) **Various**

Cllr W H Allen reported that he had attended:

Penyrheol Community Centre management meeting.

b) **Various**

Cllr H R Davies reported that he had attended:

A meeting with Glenfields residents;

Trecenydd Community Centre management committee meeting;

St David’s Day event.

c) **Various**

Cllr J Scriven reported that he had attended:

A site visit to St Cenydd Road;

Newsletter sub-committee meeting.

196. **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 M Britton reported that she had received complaints about the potholes in Heol Aneurin.

RESOLVED – Clerk to report to CCBC
(d) Cllr W H Allen asked whether the Community Council could pay for a bouquet of flowers for a couple who would be celebrating their 65th wedding anniversary. Councillors resolved to agree to the Clerk purchasing the bouquet.

RESOLVED – Clerk to purchase bouquet of flowers

(e) Cllr W H Allen also informed the Chairman and Councillors that he would not be standing for Chairman at the AGM.

(f) Cllr J Scriven said that residents were still complaining about speeding through the street from First to Second Avenue and that they wanted a bollard to be erected.

RESOLVED - Clerk to contact CCBC to request a bollard

(g) Cllr J Scriven said that the earth had washed away from the bench on Trecenydd field.

RESOLVED – Clerk to contact CCBC

(h) Cllr J Scriven reported that things were starting to be done in Trecenydd Park by CCBC workmen.

RESOLVED – Noted

(i) Cllr S Skivens said that he was still receiving complaints about water on St Cenydd Road. Highways officers said that they had dealt with it but the water was now collecting in a different way. There appeared to be sufficient drainage there but the drains needed to be cleared more often. The water was now going into residents’ gardens. The Chairman would liaise with CCBC officers about the problem.

RESOLVED - Noted

197. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF DONATIONS**

Acknowledgements had been received from Bethel Baptist Church and Penyrheol Community Centre.

198. **DONATIONS**

No donations requests had been received.
199. **APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS FOR MARCH 2016**

The following payments were approved by the Council:

(a) Clerk’s salary – March 2016;
(b) Clerk’s expenses – March 2016;
(c) Inland Revenue – March 2016;
(d) Members’ expenses – March 2016;
(e) One Voice Wales – Clerk finance training - £35;
(f) CCBC – website management - £600;
(g) Penyrheol Community Centre – room hire for meetings - £100.

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

There was nothing to be discussed at the next meeting.

201. **NEXT MEETING**

RESOLVED that the next meeting be held on Thursday, 21st April 2016 at Penyrheol Community Centre.

**PLEASE NOTE**

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