
**CYNGOR CYMUNED
PENYRHEOL TRECENYDD ENERGLYN
COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT PENYRHEOL COMMUNITY CENTRE
ON THURSDAY, 18th JUNE 2015**

Present :

Chair
Cllr S Skivens

Community Councillors
Cllr W H Allen, Cllr H R Davies, Cllr Mrs S ap Hywel, Cllr T ap Hywel,
Cllr Mrs M E Sargent, Cllr P Slarke

Clerk to the Council - Mrs Helen Treherne

Two members of Penyrheol Tenants' Association

24. **WELCOME AND APOLOGIES**

Apologies had been received from Cllr Ms M Britton, Cllr C Coombes, Cllr A Pennington and Miss Meg Owen, Youth Ambassador. The Chairman welcomed two representatives from Penyrheol Tenants' Association, who gave a short presentation on the work of the Association, such as new items for the park (swings, roundabout, picnic benches etc), ideas for a trim track, scrumping area etc and new initiatives in consultation with different organisations.

25. **MINUTES OF MEETING**

The minutes of the Council Meeting held on 21st May 2015, having been previously circulated were considered and duly accepted and signed as a true record by the Chairman.

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26. **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) Cllr H Davies had attended a site meeting regarding the blocked drains in Trecenydd. The drains had been cleaned. The next step would be to put a camera down the drains to see if there was a blockage. Cllr Davies would report back with any update (Reference : Council minutes 21.05.15, reference 3 (g)).

PTE04/2015
– Trecenydd
blocked drain

- (c) The Clerk had contacted CCBC regarding the lack of toilet facilities in Aneurin Park. She had received a reply to say that the toilets would now be open when the park was open (Reference : Council minutes 21.05.15, reference 3 (f)).
- (d) Cllr W H Allen asked about the certificate for Mr Prem Bhoji. The Chairman informed Councillors that he had a template and that the Clerk would be sending out the certificate as soon as possible. (Reference : Council minutes 21.05.15, reference 8 (c)).
- (e) The Chairman reported that he had contacted CCBC re : the alley gating for Treceynydd and they were going to look into it, as alley gating was not something CCBC currently used. The Chairman said he would report back to a later meeting. (Reference : Council minutes 21.05.15, reference 8 (i)).
- (f) The Clerk reported that she had spoken to CCBC's Trading Standards regarding 'no cold calling' zones and had been informed that this could only be arranged if there was a history of doorstep rogue trading/bogus calling. Setting up the zones was also costly and there was no funding available at present.

27. **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)

28. **POLICE AND RELATED MATTERS**

PCSO Andrew Taylor was in attendance at the meeting and spoke about the Positive Futures project. Dispersal orders were now in place around the Top Shops in Penyrheol and in some other areas. Cllr Mrs M E Sargent said that the Police Commissioner had said that some PCSO's would be promoted to PC's. However, the PCSO's would not be replaced.

RESOLVED : Noted

29. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The following planning applications were considered :

- (a) 15/0322/COU – 7 Cae Ffynnon, Caerphilly CF83 2UT
- Change use of land
- (b) 15/0367/FULL – 13 Beddau Way, Caerphilly CF83 2AX
- Construct 20 new car parking spaces

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), the Chairman declared an interest and took no further part in discussions. This application had been delegated and so Councillors decided to let the application be considered via the delegated process.

having been previously circulated to Members and having received no comments or objections in respect of application (b), Councillors said that they would be concerned if the lights would affect the main road and the elderly complex and that they should not be too intrusive.

RESOLVED – Clerk to contact CCBC re : (b).

30. **REPORTS ON MISCELLANEOUS MEETINGS**

a) **Various**

Cllr Mrs S ap Hywel reported that she had attended :

Caerffili Twinning Association meeting.

b) **Various**

Cllr H R Davies reported that he had attended :

Hendredenny Park Primary School governors' meeting;

St Cenydd Governors' meeting;

Urdd Eisteddfod.

31. **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 Mrs M E Sargent reported on future works on the Cedar Tree roundabout and that part of the work was now going out to tender.

RESOLVED – Noted

- (d) Cllr Mrs S ap Hywel said that she had been contacted by a Treceenydd resident about the dangers of pulling out of Second Avenue onto the main road. Councillors asked the Clerk to contact CCBC to see if anything could be done.

PTE06/2015
– cars pulling
out from
Second
Avenue

RESOLVED – Clerk to contact CCBC

- (e) The Chairman reported that he had been contacted regarding anti-social behaviour involving a particular resident in Treceenydd. The Chairman and Cllr H R Davies were dealing with the matter.

RESOLVED - Noted

- (e) Cllr P Slarke reported that he had received complaints about Cwm Las Farm with regards to lorries back and forth etc.

PTE06/2015
– Cwm Las
Farm

RESOLVED – Clerk to contact CCBC regarding the issues

- (f) Cllr P Slarke reported that he had again received complaints about speeding past Ty Isaf estate. The Clerk was asked to contact CCBC again about this issue.

PTE06/2015
– Ty Isaf
speeding
issues

RESOLVED – Clerk to contact CCBC regarding the issue

32. **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 regarding the five-man cleansing team. The Chairman asked Councillors to contact the Clerk if they had any requests. Cllr W H Allen asked if the grounds of Penyrheol Community Centre could be placed on the cleansing team's list.

RESOLVED – Clerk to contact CCBC re : Penyrheol Community Centre and await any further requests from Councillors

An email had been received from CCBC re : Public Health (Wales) Bill – provision of toilets available for use by the public. Cllr Mrs M E Sargent asked the Clerk to ask how much a toilet would cost and if there would be any funding available.

An email had been received from CCBC re : Impact of Crime and ASB in Rural Areas survey. This was for Councillors' information.

(c) **General correspondence**

A letter had been received from the Post Office to inform that Penyrheol Post Office would now be modernized and changed to a new main-style branch. The Chairman declared an interest in this item and took no further part in discussions.

RESOLVED – Noted

- (d) A letter had been received from Cllr Mrs A Nash, thanking Councillors for the bouquet of flowers and letter sent to her following her resignation.

RESOLVED - Noted

33. **TO DISCUSS ISSUE REGARDING OVERGROWN TREES AT Y FELIN FFRWD**

The Clerk had still not heard anything from Barclays Bank. As a last resort, the Chairman would now speak to CCBC's Planning Department. However, the more dangerous branches had now been cut down.

RESOLVED – Chairman to report back to next meeting with progress

34. **COMMUNITY COUNCILLOR VACANCY UPDATE**

The Clerk reported that there would now be an election for the vacancy, but that she had been informed by the Electoral Department of CCBC that this would not take place for several weeks.

RESOLVED – Noted

35. **YOUTH EVENT**

Instead of a Civic Service, the Chairman had decided to arrange some kind of youth event. It was resolved that a working group would be set up to discuss ideas, which would consist of the Chairman, Cllrs C Coombes, M Britton and W H Allen and also Miss Meg Owen, Youth Ambassador.

RESOLVED – Clerk to set up working group

36. **FRUIT AND VEGETABLE COMPETITION**

Cllr P Slarke reported that he had not yet heard from the Allotment Association but would keep trying and perhaps get something going for next year.

RESOLVED – Cllr P Slarke to liaise with Allotment Association

37. **PLANTING OF SEEDS/FLOWERS AT ENTRANCE TO EACH WARD**

The Chairman and Cllr Mrs M Sargent had not yet had a site meeting with the relevant CCBC Officer. This meeting would be arranged and they would report back to next meeting.

RESOLVED – Chairman and Cllr Mrs M E Sargent to arrange site visit with CCBC Officer

38. **YOUTH AMBASSADOR**

The Youth Ambassador, Miss Meg Owen was not present at the meeting, due to other commitments but had given the Clerk an update regarding the ‘Us Girls’ project to read out to Councillors.

RESOLVED – Noted

39. **PENYRHEOL SKATE PARK**

The Clerk reported that they were still awaiting a decision by the Police and Crime Commissioner regarding funding.

RESOLVED – Noted

40. **SUMMER PLAYScheme**

The Clerk informed Councillors everything was on track.

RESOLVED – Noted

41. **NEWSLETTER**

The Clerk reported that the newsletter had gone to print.

RESOLVED – Noted

42. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF DONATIONS**

Acknowledgement of donation had been received from Caerphilly Town Council.

43. **DONATIONS**

a) **Over 50's**

RESOLVED – in the interest of benefit to the community that a donation of £150 be approved.

b) **Mayor's Charity Appeal**

RESOLVED – in the interest of benefit to the community that a donation of £250 be approved. Cllr H R Davies would present the cheque at the Charity Appeal launch on 1st July.

44. **APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS FOR JUNE 2015**

The following payments were approved by the Council :

- (a) Clerk's salary – June 2015;
- (b) Clerk's expenses – June 2015;
- (c) Inland Revenue – June 2015;
- (d) Members' expenses – June 2015;
- (e) One Voice Wales – Clerk Finance course (£35);
- (f) Canon - photocopier (£89.96);
- (g) J & P Davison - newsletter (£1260);
- (h) Choice Photographic – photos at AGM (£235).

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

There were no items to be discussed at next meeting.

46. **NEXT MEETING**

RESOLVED that the next meeting be held on Thursday, 16th July 2015. If the Clerk could book a venue in Penrhos, the meeting would be held there. If not, the meeting would be held at Penyrheol Community Centre. At the next meeting it would be decided whether to move around the ward, as it was difficult to book a venue and Councillors felt that, although Trecenydd Community Centre was a great community venue, it was difficult to hold a meeting there due to the noise of classes/parties taking place in the main hall.

PLEASE NOTE

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