35. **WELCOME AND APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Cllr Mrs A Nash, Cllr R Phillips, Cllr Mrs M E Sargent and Cllr Ms S Williams.

36. **MINUTES OF MEETING**

The minutes of the Council Meeting held on 19th June 2014 having been previously circulated were considered and duly accepted and signed as a true record by the Chairman.

37. **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) The Clerk informed Councillors that she had received a reply from CCBC regarding the disintegration of the road leading into Caledfryn and that CCBC officers had fully investigated the matter and had come to the conclusion that it was not categorized as needing urgent attention at this present time. Councillors asked the Clerk to contact CCBC again, as they were not happy with this reply. They felt that the road was in need of urgent attention and that it would only get worse with time and cost twice as much to repair. (Ref: PTE 06/2014 – road to Caledfryn disintegrating)

RESOLVED: Clerk to contact CCBC again
38. **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)

39. **POLICE AND RELATED MATTERS**

There was no Police presence at this particular meeting.

RESOLVED : Noted

40. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The following planning applications were considered:

(a) 14/0407/FULL – 12 Ael-y-Bryn, Energlyn, Caerphilly CF83 2QX  
   - Erect single-storey rear bedroom extension

(b) 14/0557/FULL – 8 Coed-y-Llinois, Caerphilly CF83 2QH  
   - Erect conservatory to the rear

(c) 14/0456/FULL – 27 Denbigh Court, Hendredenny, Caerphilly CF83 2UN  
   - Erect double-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 applications (a), (b) and (c), 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 applications be noted.

41. **REPORTS ON MISCELLANEOUS MEETINGS**

a) **Various**

Cllr W Allen reported that he had attended:

Penyrheol Community Centre committee meeting.

b) **Various**

Cllr Ms M Britton reported that she had attended:

Penyrheol Community Centre committee meeting.
c) **Various**

Cllr H R Davies reported that he had attended:

- Trecenydd Community Centre committee meeting;
- Playscheme meeting;
- Art exhibition at St Cenydd Community School.

d) **Various**

Cllr A Pennington reported that he had attended:

- Staffing sub-committee at St Cenydd Community School.

e) **Various**

Cllr S Skivens reported that he had attended:

- Mayor’s Appeal;
- Playscheme meeting;
- Royal visit to Senghenydd.

42. **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) **Various**

Cllr Ms M Britton reported that she had received complaints again about the lack of parking at the houses opposite Cwm Ifor School. Most of the residents were elderly and even an ambulance could not gain access. (Ref : PTE07/2014 – lack of resident parking opposite Cwm Ifor School)
RESOLVED – Clerk to write to CCBC again regarding this issue

(d) **Various**

Cllr S Skivens reported that the dog bin at the bottom of Hendre/Energlyn Park had fallen off. Also the dog bins that had been promised by CCBC at Heol Cwarrel Park had not yet been erected. (Ref: PTE07/2014 – dog bin at bottom of Hendre)

RESOLVED – Clerk to write to CCBC

43. **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 official ceremony for 20th anniversary of Caerphilly twinning partnership with Pisek.

An email had been received from CCBC regarding the Reforming Local Government White Paper.

An email had been received from CCBC regarding the Scrutiny Forward Work programme.

An email had been received from CCBC regarding the Conservation Strategy for the Historic Environment 2014-2019.

RESOLVED - Noted

(c) **General correspondence**

A letter had been received from the Disability CAN DO Organisation, informing Councillors of their work.

Review of unscheduled care services provided by the Aneurin Bevan University Health Board had been received.

An email had been received from the South Wales Fire and Rescue Service Manager, informing Councillors of the Crimes and Consequences project.

RESOLVED – Noted

44. **QUARTERLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

The Clerk submitted the quarterly financial statement for April to June, which was accepted as a true record.

RESOLVED – To note and accept the quarterly financial statement
45. **ANNUAL ACCOUNTS**

The Clerk presented the Statement of Annual Assurance for the year ended 31 March 2013.

RESOLVED – Approved and that:

(a) the annual Statement of Assurance be completed and Members agree the statement and the Chairman of the Council and the Clerk duly sign the approved Statement of Assurance;

(b) the Clerk return the annual return to Mazars for final signing off.

46. **TO DISCUSS ANY ITEMS NOT BEING FINANCIALLY SUPPORTED BY CCBC**

There were no items to discuss at this particular meeting.

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

Councillors discussed the issue further. It was decided that the Chairman would go back to CCBC to discuss the issue and to see whether any financial assistance would be forthcoming.

RESOLVED – Chairman to report back to next meeting

48. **TO DISCUSS LETTER RECEIVED FROM CCBC REGARDING TRAFFIC PROBLEMS**

A letter had been received from CCBC regarding traffic problems within the wards. It was resolved that a sub-committee meeting would be held, along with attendance by Councillors from the Aber Valley, to discuss the matter further.

RESOLVED – Clerk to arrange sub-committee meeting

49. **CHILDREN’S PARTY/YOUTH AMBASSADOR**

It was decided that this would be discussed at a sub-committee meeting to be held as soon as possible. The outcome would be reported back to the next meeting.

RESOLVED – Clerk to arrange sub-committee meeting

50. **SUMMER PLAYSCHMES**

The Clerk asked for volunteers to help her with the registration. Councillors W H Allen and P Slarke would help with the Penyrheol registrations and Councillors M Britton and H Davies would help at Trecenydd. Everything else was well under way.

RESOLVED – Noted

51. **COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

It was decided that a sub-committee meeting would be held in September to discuss.

RESOLVED – Clerk to arrange sub-committee meeting
52. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF DONATIONS**

Acknowledgements had been received from Cardiac Fitness Solutions and the Over 50’s Club.

53. **DONATIONS**

a) **Undercurrents**

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

b) **Chairman’s Charity**

A total of £336.66 had been raised for each of the Chairman’s three charities and the Chairman asked if this could be rounded off to a higher figure. It was resolved that the figure be rounded off to £400 per charity.

54. **APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS FOR JULY AND AUGUST 2014**

The following payments were approved by the Council:

(a) Clerk’s salary – July and August 2014;
(b) Clerk’s expenses – July and August 2014;
(c) Inland Revenue – July and August 2014;
(d) Members’ expenses – July and August 2014;
(e) Zurich insurance (1429.97).

55. **ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS**

There was no other business.

56. **NEXT MEETING**

RESOLVED that the next meeting be held on Thursday, 18th September 2014 at Penyrheol Community Centre.

**PLEASE NOTE**

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