Before the meeting proper began, Ms Lisa James, Senior Planning Officer, CCBC and her colleague gave a presentation on the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL). She explained that CIL was introduced in Caerphilly County Borough on 1st July 2014 and is a system of charges that local authorities can choose to levy against new developments in their areas. Different rates are identified for different types of development, dependent upon how viable each type of development is. The maximum would be £100 per dwelling. There had been no new developments in the Penyrheol Trecenydd Energlyn ward (which was to be a higher viability area) since July but were there to be any developments, the levy would be paid to the Community Council. A question and answer session followed and the presentation ended with Ms James saying that she would email more information to the Clerk after the meeting. The Acting Chairman thanked Ms James and her colleague for attending.

78. **WELCOME AND APOLOGIES**

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

79. **MINUTES OF MEETING**

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

80. **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 dog fouling bins in Hendre. The litter bin had been installed back onto its post at Hendre and a work instruction had been issued to the Highway Department to install a dog fouling bin on the grassed area side of 69 Blaen Ifor Penyrheol. (Ref : meeting 17.07.14, item : 42 (d)).

RESOLVED : Noted
(c) Cllr H R Davies informed Councillors that he had been in contact with CCBC about the cutting back of hedges in Hendredenny and they were in the process of doing this. (Ref: meeting 19.09.14, item number 64c).

RESOLVED: Noted

81. **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)

82. **POLICE AND RELATED MATTERS**

As per the agreement, there was no Police presence at the meeting.

RESOLVED: Noted

83. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The following planning applications were considered:

(a) 14/0603/COU – Penyrheol News, Troed-y-Bryn, Penyrheol, Caerphilly CF83 2PX
    - Change the use from newsagents/general store to café

(b) 14/0623/FULL - 40 Cae Nant Gledyr, Caerphilly CF83 2BB
    - Erect single-storey extension and provide internal alterations

(c) 14/0622/FULL – Pen Yr Heol Las Farm, Energlyn, Caerphilly CF83 2TT
    - Install two 500kw wind turbines with overall tip height of 64m including temporary infrastructure

(d) 14/0638/RET – 46 West Avenue, Trecenydd, Caerphilly CF83 2SG
    - Retain raised decking platform

(e) 14/0641/FULL – 48 Heol Cwm Ifor, Penyrheol, Caerphilly CF83 2EU
    - Erect two-storey side extension

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), (d) and (e), 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.
With regards to (c), Councillors requested that an objection be made to this planning application on the grounds that it would have a negative visual impact on the landscape, especially from the ground adjoining the proposed project which is common land; that the noise would cause disturbance to people walking on the common land and to local residents; that there would be problems transporting to and accessing the site. Clerk to forward objections on to CCBC.

84. REPORTS ON MISCELLANEOUS MEETINGS

a) Various

Cllr A W Allen reported that he had attended:

Penyrheol Community Centre management committee meeting.

b) Various

Cllr Ms M Britton reported that she had attended:

Chairman’s Children’s Party.

c) Various

Cllr H R Davies reported that he had attended:

Chairman’s Children’s Party;

Governors’ meeting at Hendredenny Park Primary School.

d) Various

Cllr Mrs S ap Hywel reported that she had attended:

Chairman’s Children’s Party.

e) Various

Cllr A Pennington reported that he had attended:

St Cenydd Community School Governors’ AGM.

f) Various

Cllr Mrs M E Sargent reported that she had attended:

Governors’ meeting at Hendre School;

Community Christmas Party sub-committee meeting.
85. **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 H Davies reported that some speed bumps had been lowered in Caledfryn and the residents were happy with this and asked if the Clerk could contact CCBC to see if the remaining speed bumps could be lowered.

RESOLVED – Clerk to contact CCBC

(d) **Various**

Cllr Ms M Britton reported that cars had to edge out of the junction due to overgrown hedge at the side of the house at the junction of Y Cilgant and Heol Las in Penyrheol. She asked if the Clerk could contact CCBC.

RESOLVED – Clerk to contact CCBC

86. **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: Police and Crime Commissioner meeting to be held on Thursday, 6\(^{th}\) November. The Chairman would be attending this meeting.
An email had been received from CCBC re: changes to household waste recycling centres. This had also been displayed on the notice board.

An email had been received from CCBC re: Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL).

(c) **General correspondence**


An email had been received from One Voice Wales regarding the Review of Designated Landscapes in Wales.

An email had been received from the Local Government Democracy Division of Welsh Government regarding the publication of the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales draft Annual Report.

RESOLVED – Noted

87. **QUARTERLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

The quarterly financial statement was presented to Council and this was agreed and accepted as a true record.

RESOLVED – To accept the quarterly financial statement as a true record

88. **NEWSLETTER**

The Clerk informed Councillors that the newsletter would be going to print soon.

RESOLVED – Noted

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

There were no items to discuss at this particular meeting.

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

As the Chairman was not able to be in attendance at this meeting, Councillors agreed that they would await a report from him at the next meeting.

RESOLVED – Chairman to report back to next meeting

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

The Acting Chairman reported that there had not been many children in attendance at the Chairman’s Children’s Party, despite leaflets being taken to the primary schools, posters being put up and information being displayed on the website and Facebook. If a party were to be held again, discussion would have to take place regarding the day of the week on which the party would be held, timings etc.
With regards to the Youth Ambassador, the Clerk was awaiting pen pictures from
the schools and as soon as these were received, a sub-committee would be
arranged to select the Youth Ambassador.

RESOLVED – Noted

92. **COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

Arrangements for the Community Christmas Concert were in hand and also
Santa’s visit would take place on Sunday, 7th December.

RESOLVED – Noted

93. **CIVIC AWARDS**

Nominations were received for the Civic Awards and it was decided that an
award would be given to the two gentleman who rescued an elderly man from a
burning house and also an award would be given to Mr Michael Ananicz,
nominated by Cllr Slarke, as he was a great example of a good neighbour and
cleaned all the snow from Bryn yr Ysgol every year, so that people could drive up
and down. It was asked whether the proprietors of Londis in Penyrheol had
received Civic Awards in the past. As they had, it was resolved that a certificate
be drawn up by the Clerk and given to them in honour of serving their community
for the past 25 years.

RESOLVED – Clerk to draw up certificate to be given to Premji
Bhoja and Dhanji Halai

94. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF DONATIONS**

Acknowledgments had been received from Caerphilly Netball Club and
Caerphilly Town Council.

95. **DONATIONS**

a) **Penyrheol Community Centre – painting of Lounge**

A request for a donation had been received for the above. Councillors
requested that Cllr W H Allen get a quote for the work and come back
to the next meeting. If the quote was low enough, the Clerk was given
permission to approve the grant, as the redecorating was required
before Christmas. If the quote was a substantial amount, this would be
brought back to the next meeting.

RESOLVED – Cllr W H Allen to obtain quote and report back to Clerk

96. **APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS FOR OCTOBER 2014**

The following payments were approved by the Council :

- (a) Clerk’s salary – October 2014;
- (b) Clerk’s expenses – October 2014;
- (c) Inland Revenue – October 2014;
- (d) Members’ expenses – October 2014.
97. **ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS**

The Clerk informed Councillors that she had attended a One Voice Wales course (which the Chairman had agreed before the meeting at a cost of £40) and she was informed that there should not be an ‘Any Other Business’ item on the calling notice, as items could not be discussed without being advertised to the public prior to the meeting. The item could say ‘Items to be discussed at next meeting’ as items could be discussed but no decisions could be made until the following meeting. Councillors agreed that the item be renamed for future calling notices.

RESOLVED: Item to be renamed

98. **NEXT MEETING**

RESOLVED that the next meeting be held on Thursday, 20th November 2014 at Penyrheol Community Centre. The meeting would be followed by a light Christmas buffet.

**PLEASE NOTE**

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