
**CYNGOR CYMUNED
PENYRHEOL TRECENYDD ENERGLYN
COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT PENYRHEOL COMMUNITY CENTRE
ON THURSDAY, 20th JUNE 2013**

Present :

Chair

Cllr MS Skivens (Chairman)

Community Councillors

Cllr W H Allen, Cllr H R Davies, A W Pennington, Cllr Ms S Williams

Clerk to the Council - Mrs Helen Treherne

A minute's silence was held for a very hardworking Councillor and dear friend, Cllr Mrs Anne Collins, who had sadly passed away. The Chairman went on to say that Cllr Mrs Collins would be truly missed by all her friends and colleagues on the Community Council and that her passing would be a huge loss to the community.

21. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Mrs S D Ap Hywel, Cllr Mrs A Nash, Cllr Mrs M E Sargent and Cllr P Slarke

22. **MINUTES OF MEETING**

The minutes of the Council Meeting held on 16th May 2013 having been previously circulated were considered and duly accepted and signed as a true record by the Chairman. Since the previous meeting Cllr A W Pennington had agreed to become Vice-Chairman for the year 2013/14 and this decision was ratified by Councillors. Cllr Pennington was welcomed as Vice-Chairman by the Chairman.

23. **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. All items had been dealt with satisfactorily by CCBC

(b) There were no matters arising.

24. **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)

25. **POLICE AND RELATED MATTERS**

CSO Katrina Hadsi-Aghalar was in attendance. She reported that fires had been set on wasteland behind the Top Shops in Penyrheol and Cae Penygraig. There had been some shed break-ins in Glenfields. Also in Glenfields a ‘den’ had been built and bottles, cans and rubbish had been left there. CCBC had been contacted to get the den destroyed. There had been anti-social behaviour in Diamond Close.

The Chairman informed CSO Hadsi-Aghalar that he had received complaints about the Penrhos underpass, with reports of drug taking, alcohol abuse, criminal damage etc and reports that this now seemed the meeting point for young people. It was reported that Ms Margaret Reed, Community Safety Warden had had problems with this area last year. Cllr H R Davies said he would ask Ms Reed for an update.

RESOLVED : Noted

26. **NOTICE OF CASUAL VACANCY**

The clerk informed Councillors that a notice of casual vacancy for the Community Council had been placed on the Council’s notice board and on the website and in local shops etc.

RESOLVED : Noted

27. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The following planning applications were considered :

- (a) 13/0376/FULL – 4 Clos Gwernydd Caerphilly CF83 2UD
- Erect ground floor side extension
- (b) 13/0332/FULL – 33 Gelli’r Felin, Caerphilly CF83 2LF
- Convert existing garage into room
- (c) 13/0348/FULL – 13 Sword Hill, Caerphilly CF83 2AG
- Convert garage into study and erect detached garage
- (d) 13/0407/COU – Salon Michelle, Troed-y-Bryn, Penyrheol, Caerphilly
- Change the use from hairdressers to cafe

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. With regards to (d) Councillors had no objection to the change of use but wanted to know the opening hours.

RESOLVED – Clerk to write to CCBC asking what the opening hours would be

28. **REPORTS ON MISCELLANEOUS MEETINGS**

a) **Various**

Cllr W H Allen reported that he had attended a Community Centre meeting.

b) **Various**

Cllr A Pennington reported that he had attended two sub-committee meetings at St Cenydd.

29. **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 R Davies said that he had received a query regarding the Mill Road allotment and that Lansbury Park allotment had received funding. Cllr Davies would be contacting GAVO and would report back to the next meeting.

RESOLVED – Cllr H R Davies to report back to next meeting

(d) **Various**

Cllr W H Allen suggested that a plaque could be erected in the name of Cllr Mrs Anne Collins, to reflect the work she had done over her many years as a Community Councillor.

RESOLVED – Clerk to obtain prices for plaque

30. **CORRESPONDENCE**

(a) **Press Items**

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

RESOLVED – Noted

(b) **Caerphilly County Borough Council**

Email from CCBC re : car parks in Caerphilly. Regarding the car park in Crescent Road, Councillors felt that there should not be two different pricing levels for the North Section and Middle Section as many people have been caught out in the past simply because they have not realised that there are two different prices. Councillors understood that there are signs informing drivers of this but felt that people, especially the elderly were too focused on finding out how the machine works, having the correct money etc to notice the two different prices.

RESOLVED – Clerk to relay comments back to CCBC

(c) **General correspondence**

No general correspondence had been received this month.

31. **CIVIC SERVICE**

The Chairman reminded Councillors about the Civic Service to be held on Sunday, 30th June at Groeswen Chapel and said he looked forward to seeing as many Councillors in attendance as possible.

RESOLVED - Noted

32. **SUMMER PLAYSCHMES**

The Clerk informed Councillors that everything was on track for the summer playschemes.

RESOLVED – Noted

33. **PRINCE'S TRUST – LARGE PROJECT**

Councillors agreed that the Fairbridge Project would be the most suitable project for the Community Council. The Chairman said that he and the Vice-Chairman would now meet with the Prince's Trust to drive the project forward and would report back to the next meeting.

RESOLVED – Chairman to report back to next meeting

34. **NEWSLETTER**

The Clerk informed Councillors that the Newsletter was in the process of being delivered to residents.

RESOLVED - Noted

35. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF DONATIONS**

The Clerk reported that the following acknowledgements for donations had been received : Aber Valley Wolves, Home Start and the Over 50's Club.

RESOLVED - Noted

36. **DONATIONS**

- a) Mayor's Charity Appeal

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

37. **APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS FOR JUNE 2013**

The following payments were approved by the Council :

- (a) Clerk's salary – June 2013;
- (b) Clerk's expenses – June 2013;
- (c) Inland Revenue – June 2013;
- (d) Members' expenses June 2013;
- (e) Printing of Newsletter (£1248)
- (f) Civic Service expenses.

38. **ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS**

- a) There was no other business.

RESOLVED – Noted

39. **NEXT MEETING**

RESOLVED that the next meeting be held on Thursday, 18th July 2013 at Penyrheol Community Centre

PLEASE NOTE

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