

RHYMNEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the last meeting held at Abertysswg Community Centre of the above Community Council on Thursday 8th February 2018 at 7pm.

Present

Cllr. J. E. Hughes (Chairperson)	Cllr. L. James
Cllr. D. Harse	Cllr. J. Bevan
Cllr. H. Williams	Cllr. D. T. Williams

Apologies

Cllr. D. Morris	Cllr. P. Oliver
Cllr. L. Dykes	Cllr. G. Oliver
Cllr. L. Gronow	Cllr. M. L. Thomas

In Attendance

Mr. G. Williams	Clerk to the Council
PCSO J. Mahoney	Gwent Police
PCSO E. Hughes	Gwent Police

80 Minutes / Apologies

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 11th January 2018, previously circulated to members were accepted as an accurate record and signed by the Chairperson Cllr. J. E. Hughes.

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. P. Oliver, Cllr. G. Oliver, Cllr. L. Dykes, Cllr. L. Gronow, Cllr. M. L. Thomas and Cllr. D. Morris.

81 Declarations of Interest

81.01 Cllr. J. Bevan declared an interest in Agenda Item – Planning.

82 Matters Arising

82.01 Minute Number 49.02, 54.01, 64.01 and 72.01. Gavo and Caerphilly Youth Service. ASBO Project

The Clerk advised Council that he still to receive an update from Bethan Moss of Gavo.

Moved. Clerk to write a letter of discontentment to the Senior Leadership Team at GAVO.

82.02 Grant Aid Applications

The Clerk confirmed that he was yet to receive written applications from:

- Rhymney Ladies Flower Guild;
- Rhymney Day Centre;
- Pontlottyn OAP Association; and
- Beulah Baptist Chapel

Moved. Clerk to report at the March meeting of Council.

83 Gwent Police

PCSO Mahoney and Hughes firstly apologised for the absence of Inspector O'Keefe before providing Council with a brief update of developments throughout the Community Council area, focusing on the outputs on the six warrants executed over the previous nineteen days.

PCSO Mahoney and Hughes then provided Council with January's statistics. Statistics were as follows:

- Moriah Ward. 111 Calls 29 Crimes and 9 ASBs;
- Twyn Carno Ward. 75 Calls 23 Crimes and 4 ASBs; and
- Pontlloftyn Ward. 50 Calls 14 Crimes and 7 ASBs.

PCSO Mahoney and Hughes then took questions and areas for further investigation from Councillors. Topics of discussion included a recent theft at the Church in Rhymney, an increase in diesel theft, and confirmation that traffic cones on the zigzags outside of the Abertysswg Primary School building should be retained until further notice.

Cllr. J. E. Hughes thanked PCSO Mahoney and Hughes for their report and for attending the meeting.

Cllr. J. Bevan left the meeting.

84 **Planning Applications**

The Clerk confirmed that one application for planning had been received since the last meeting of Council.

Case Ref. 17/1001/RET

Site Area: 151m²

Location: Glentworth 11 Fochriw Road Pontlloftyn Bargoed CF81 9QH

Proposal: Retain new concrete block wall

Applicant: Mr L Davies Glentworth 11 Fochriw Road Pontlloftyn Bargoed CF81 9QH

Case Officer: Miss E Rowley 01443 864776 rowlee@caerphilly.gov.uk

Ward: Pontlloftyn Map Ref: 311633 (E) 205695 (N)

Moved. Council raise no objections to the proposal

Councillors are encouraged to view associated documentation / drawings on the portal available via <http://www.caerphilly.gov.uk>

85 **Correspondence**

85.01 HMRC

Full Payment Submission for period ending 5th February 2018.

Moved. Noted on file.

85.02 Lloyds Bank

Receipt of Sheet No. 19 from Account x6x4x9x0

Receipt of Sheet No. 02 from Account x0x7x0x1

Receipt of Sheet No. 99 from Account x0x7x1x5

Invoice No. 245342092.

Moved. Payment.

Moved. Noted on file and for finance file.

85.03 Grantscape

Confirmation the Pen Bryn Oer Wind Farm Community Fund Benefit Fund is now open for applications.

Website. www.grantscape.org/fund/penbrynoercbf

Following discussion, it was agreed Council would not apply against this fund, although Council did not rule out applying against larger, regional or national funds i.e. Big Lottery or High Sheriffs Fund to finance any October 'youth distraction' type scheme.

Moved. Clerk to agenda for discussion at the March meeting of Council.

It was also noted the Rhymney Regeneration Fund was also open for applications.

85.04 Abertysswg AFC

Written application for Section 137 Grant Aid.

Moved. Clerk to write to request the completion of a Grant Aid Application Form.

85.05 Centregreat Ltd

Invoice for the install and removal of Council's Christmas Lighting for the period December / January 2017-18.

Moved. Payment.

85.06 Ysgol Y Lawnt Primary School

Application for Section 137 Grant Funding

Moved. Clerk to write to advise that owing to legislative parameters, funding projects which are the prime statutory responsibility of other government departments / bodies is not permissible expenditure.

85.07 Disability CanDo Organisation

Written application for Section 137 Grant Aid.

Moved. Payment £100.00.

85.08 Wales Government. Independent Panel

Review of Community & Town Councils in Wales

The 'Independent Review Panel' are holding a drop-in session in Merthyr Tydfil on Monday 12th February. This will provide Council with an opportunity to engage and discuss with the Panel Councils views on the future of the sector.

Moved. Cllr. D. T. Williams, Cllr. H. Williams and Cllr. L. James to attend to represent Council.

85.09 One Voice Wales & SLCC

General Data Protection Regulation

Copy of the latest legal guidance received in relation to the General Data Protection Regulation.

Moved. Clerk to arrange to attend a 90-minute webinar session which summarises GDPR and provides information on how he can ensure the Community Council is compliant.

Moved. Clerk to report at the March / April meeting of Council.

85.10 Rhymney Valley Music Club

Notification of concert dates for 2017-18

Moved. Noted on file.

Moved. Clerk to supply a copy to Councillors with the minutes of the meeting and to publish on the Community Council Website.

86 **Approval of Community Council Cheques and Payments**

The attached list of Community Council cheques and payments was approved by members and amounted to **£05,353.08**.

87 **Report of the Clerk**

Community Council Draft Budget 2018/19

The Clerk shared with Council a copy of Council's Budget for 2018/19. Following discussion, it was agreed that Council work within these values

Income		Expenditure	
Approx. C/F 31/03/2018 Mainstream	£32,000.00	Clerk's Salary & On Costs	£13,000.00
Precept	£35,000.00	Chairperson's Allowance	£00,400.00
Anticipated VAT 2017-18	£01,500.00	Councillor Expenses (13 @ £1,500.00)	£01,950.00
		Telephone & Broadband	£00,300.00
		Room Hire	£00,300.00
		Insurance	£00,600.00
		Stationery & Postage	£00,750.00
		Website	£00,600.00
		Section 137 Grants	£05,000.00
		Dog Show x2	£00,800.00
		Christmas Event & Functions	£01,200.00
		Christmas Lighting	£09,000.00
		Audit	£00,600.00
		Summer Scheme	£06,500.00

		Closure of OAP Centre	£00,500.00
Total	£68,500.00	Total	£41,500.00
Projected Balance Year ending 31.03.2019			£27,000.00

The Clerk highlighted that tender work regarding Council's Christmas Lighting display was ongoing, the outputs of which are to be reported to Council at the April meeting of Council.

The Clerk also reported receipt of papers and reports from recent Governing Body meetings at Ysgol Y Llawnt and Upper Rhymney Primary Schools.

Moved. Noted on file.

88. Chairperson's Event 2018/19

Owing to the impact of inclement weather in recent years, following discussion it was agreed the annual Chairperson's Event for 2018/19 be brought forward to Friday 18th May 2018.

Moved. Clerk to make necessary arrangements for the event.

Date of Next and Future Meetings / Events

- Community Council Thursday 8th March 2018 at 7pm
- Community Council Thursday 12th April 2018 at 7pm
- Community Council / AGM Thursday 10th May 2018 at 7pm
- Chairpersons Function Friday 18th May 2018 from 7pm

Meeting Closed at 8.10pm.

_____ **Chairperson**