

**Cyngor Cymuned
Penyrheol Trecenydd Energlyn
Community Council**

**MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT
PENYRHEOL COMMUNITY CENTRE
ON THURSDAY, 18th JULY 2019 AT 7.00 PM**

Present: Councillors: W H Allen (WA), G Ead (GE), S D ap Hywel (SapH), T ap Hywel (TapH), P Owen-Griffiths (Chair), J Scriven (JS), S J Skivens (SJS), S L Skivens (SLS), L Whittle (LW)

Also present: Helen Treherne (Clerk)

Minute		Action
60.	To note members' attendance and to receive and agree apologies for absence	
	Apology received from Cllr A Pennington and apology was accepted. Resolved: To accept apology	
61.	To discuss issues brought up by members of the public	
	A resident was in attendance and asked for an update on the issue at St Cenydd roundabout. The Clerk informed him that she was in the process of arranging a site visit with Highways officers. Resolved: Clerk to arrange site visit	
62.	To approve minutes of the Council meeting held on 20th June 2019	
	GE apologised for not attending the previous meeting. Councillors approved the minutes as a true record. Resolved: To approve minutes as a true record	
63.	To discuss matters arising	
63.1	LW reported that he had been informed by CCBC that the bridge in St Cenydd Road would be closed for four weeks and part of St Cenydd Road for 6 weeks, but that he had not heard anything since. The bypass would be single file traffic, which would cause utter chaos. SJS said that he had requested a crossing patrol warden, but CCBC was considering a banksman. Councillors were concerned that residents with mobility issues would not be able to cross the road. It should be made DDA-compliant but CCBC had not responded. LW said that he would continue to liaise with CCBC on this issue. (Ref: minutes 20.06.19, item 47.3). Resolved: LW to continue to liaise with CCBC	

<p>63.2</p>	<p>The Clerk reported that she had received a reply from CCBC's Highway's Officer re: a pedestrian crossing in Penrhos. CCBC considered it highly unlikely that the requested location on the B4600 route would meet the criteria for a pedestrian crossing, however arrangements had been made for a pedestrian survey to be added to their list of sites to be carried out following the summer holiday period. Unfortunately, due to a backlog of works, it was unlikely that the requested site would be reviewed until the autumn period. Councillors asked how much a barrier would cost and what problems this may cause. It was dangerous in its current state. The Clerk was asked to find out how much the barrier would cost and then consult Caerphilly Town Council about possibly extending the barrier other side. (Ref: minutes 20.06.19, item 45.3).</p> <p>Resolved: Clerk to contact CCBC and Caerphilly Town Council</p>	
<p>64.</p>	<p>To discuss Police matters</p>	
	<p>There were no Police in attendance, as per agreement. LW reported that another DVD had been received from resident in Trecenydd regarding erratic/dangerous driving. There was a lot of car scratching occurring in Hendredenny.</p> <p>SJS reported that there was a lot of anti-social behaviour in Energlyn Park. Residents had rung 101, but were having trouble getting through, or they were being connected to the wrong police force.</p> <p>The above issues would be brought up at the next meeting when the Police were in attendance.</p> <p>Resolved: Noted</p>	
<p>65.</p>	<p>To discuss items/issues brought up by Councillors</p>	
<p>65.1</p> <p>65.2</p> <p>65.3</p> <p>65.4</p>	<p>SJS reported that he had received a reply from Sophie Howe re: issues on the common. The reply had been of no practical assistance but SJS said he would forward to Plaid colleagues to see if anything useful could be done. There were still vehicles driving up to the common: cranes/machinery and covered lorries.</p> <p>LW reported that Cllr Margaret Sargent would be stepping down as governor for Cwm Ifor Primary School on 19th September and asked if any Councillors would be willing to replace her. Councillors suggested that the Clerk ask Cllr S Dickens. If she did not want to take office, GE said he would be happy to.</p> <p>LW reported that Cwm Ifor Primary School had 60% who qualified for free school meals and that the PTA was raising money for a trip to Disney Land Paris in 2020. A total of 48 names had been put forward. The school was trying to source funding for this trip. Councillors agreed to place on agenda for next meeting.</p> <p>LW reported that CCBC did not have the funds to resolve the issue re: erratic driving/driving on pavements in First Avenue and that bollards would cost £900. Councillors agreed that the Community Council would contribute £900 towards the bollards. Clerk to contact CCBC. (<i>Highways Act 1980, s. 274A – Power to contribute to traffic calming</i>)</p>	

	<i>schemes).</i>	
65.5	LW proposed that the Community Council note the recent surge of support for an independent Wales, including the march for independence in Cardiff on 11 th May 2019, which drew a crowd of thousands. The Community Council also noted that other town and community councils in Wales had made similar statements. LW proposed that the Community Council support the campaign for Welsh independence and the benefits it could bring to local communities in Wales. Councillors unanimously agreed with this proposal.	
65.6	JS reported that there were bin stores on 3rd Ave and adjacent to old age pensioners' flats, but none on West or Second Avenue. He also reported that there was a bin at the bottom of First Avenue which was only emptied when overflowing. He also said that there was adopted land where the bin was located and CCBC said that they would cut the grass but this had not been done. JS also reported that work was being carried out at the old age pensioners' flats and rubble had been dumped over the wall.	
65.7	The Chair informed Councillors that his Chair's Charity would be Displaced People in Action. Resolved: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Clerk to ask Cllr S Dickens if she would like to take up governor post. 2. Cwm Ifor Primary School request for funding to be discussed at next meeting. 3. Clerk to inform CCBC that Community Council would fund bollards in First Avenue. 4. To support the campaign for Welsh independence. 5. Clerk to contact CCBC re: bin and rubble issues in Trecenydd. 	
66.	To receive reports on Councillor attendance at meetings/committees	
66.1	GE reported that he had attended St Cenydd awards evening and had presented the annual £100 to the award winner.	
66.2	BA reported that he had attended a Penyrheol Community Centre committee meeting.	
66.3	POG reported that he had attended a Trecenydd Community Centre committee meeting.	
66.4	JS reported that he had attended a Trecenydd Community Centre meeting. Resolved: Noted	
67.	To discuss appointment of Youth Ambassador	
	SJS reported that he would see if the criteria was still fit for purpose. An appointment would be made for October and criteria would be sent to schools beginning of Sept. It was agreed that the lowest age would be 15.	

	Resolved: Clerk and SJS to discuss and report back to next meeting	SJS/Clerk
68.	To discuss planning applications	
	The following planning applications were discussed:	
68.1	19/0493/NCC – 24 Heol Rhos, Caerphilly CF83 2BE - Partially convert existing garage to accommodate WC and utility room	
68.2	19/0517/NCC – Lidl, 5 Beddau Way, Caerphilly CF83 2AX - Vary condition 3 (opening hours).	
68.3	19/0466/FULL – Groeswen. Following the Community Council’s request for this application to be forwarded to the Planning Committee, The Clerk had received an email from CCBC to ask if the Community Council would be happy for the application to be determined under delegated powers if CCBC were mindful to refuse and Councillors agreed that they would be. Clerk to reply to CCBC.	
	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 68.1 and 68.2, 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 application be noted. Re: 68.3, Clerk to inform CCBC that Councillors were happy for application to be delegated if recommendation was to refuse.	
69.	To receive update on WHQS/Skate Park	
	Councillors agreed that a working group meeting would need to be arranged to discuss launch etc. Resolved: Clerk to contact WHQS Officer to arrange meeting	
70.	To discuss litter-picking project	
	Councillors agreed that the next litter picking location would be Groeswen Lane. GE to liaise with Keep Wales Tidy re: equipment and to liaise with Councillors re: date. Resolved: GE to liaise with Keep Wales Tidy and Councillors	
71.	To discuss local health facilities	
	BA reported that complaints had been received re: GP surgery in Troed-y-Bryn, Penyrheol. Residents complained that GPs were constantly unavailable. One particular resident called out a GP and a practice nurse was sent. Councillors asked the Clerk to raise a complaint with Aneurin Bevan Health Board and to invite representatives to the next meeting. The level of service was decreasing, the surgery was now closed a few afternoons, the premises was not suitable and in serious decline, with a high risk of	

	cross-contamination. (Ref: minutes 20.06.19, item 53). Resolved: Clerk to contact Aneurin Bevan Health Board	
72.	To approve quarterly financial statement	
	The Clerk presented the quarterly financial statement. This was discussed and Councillors agreed that no changes would need to be made to the budget at this time. Resolved: To approve quarterly financial statement and no changes to be made to budget	
73.	To discuss summer playschemes	
	The Clerk reported that all was on track for the summer playschemes. The Chair thanked the Clerk for her hard work. Resolved: Noted	
74.	To discuss Community Infrastructure Levy	
	LW reported that a Community Infrastructure Levy would be due for the development at Hendredenny, which would need to be discussed at a later date. Resolved: Noted	
75.	To discuss community Christmas events	
	A Community Christmas Events Committee meeting would need to be scheduled to discuss the events this year and whether the style of the events needing changing. The first Friday in December had been booked for the Community Christmas Concert. Resolved: Clerk to arrange committee meeting	
76.	To discuss correspondence received	
	No correspondence received.	
77.	To approve donations	
77.1	<u>Caerphilly Twinning Association</u> Resolved: in the interest of benefit to the community, a donation of £200 to be awarded (Local Government Act 1972, s.144 (2) – Tourism)	
77.2	<u>Bethel Baptist Church</u> Resolved: in the interest of benefit to the community, a donation of £200 to be awarded (Local Government Act 2000, s.2 – Wellbeing)	

77.3	<p><u>Caerphilly Dragons Girls FC</u></p> <p>Resolved: in the interest of benefit to the community, a donation of £200 to be awarded (Local Government Act 2000, s.2 – Wellbeing)</p>	
78.	To approve payments	
	<p>The following payments were approved by the Council:</p> <p>78.1 Clerk’s salary – July and August 2019 78.2 Clerk’s expenses – July and August 2019 78.3 Inland Revenue – July and August 2019 78.4 Members’ expenses – July and August 2019 78.5 Playscheme expenditure (Local Government Act 2000, s.2 – Wellbeing)</p> <p>Resolved: To approve all above payments</p>	
79.	To agree items to be discussed at next meeting	
	<p>No items to be discussed at next meeting.</p> <p>Resolved: Noted</p>	
80.	To agree next Council meeting	
	<p>Date of next meeting agreed as Thursday, 19th September 2019 at Penyrheol Community Centre, following summer recess.</p> <p>Resolved: Noted</p>	
	The meeting was closed at 8.30 pm	