
**CYNGOR CYMUNED
PENYRHEOL TRECENYDD ENERGLYN
COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT PENYRHEOL COMMUNITY CENTRE
ON THURSDAY, 20th JULY 2017**

Present :

Chair

Cllr W H Allen

Community Councillors

S. Dickens, G Ead, S ap Hywel, T ap Hywel, P. Owen-Griffiths, J Scriven, S J Skivens,
S L Skivens, L Whittle

Clerk to the Council - Mrs Helen Treherne
Youth Ambassador – Meg Owen

42. **WELCOME AND APOLOGIES**

The Chairman welcomed Councillors to the meeting.

43. **MINUTES OF MEETING**

The minutes of the Council Meeting held on 15th June 2017, having been previously circulated, were considered. Cllr Owen-Griffiths asked that it be noted that he had been nominated to sit on the Trecenydd Community Centre Committee. The Clerk had informed CCBC about this already but it had been omitted from the previous minutes, for which she apologised. This was duly noted. The minutes were then accepted and signed as a true record by the Chairman.

44. **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) A response had been received from CCBC regarding the give-way markings at the junction of Groeswen Lane and Pembroke Court, Hendredenny. It would not be appropriate, due to the access to the school forming a crossroads situation, to amend the positioning of the give-way lines. However, a speed survey would be carried out in light of concerns about speeding cars coming out of the lane.

RESOLVED – Noted

- (c) A response had been received from CCBC regarding signs for the shops at Troed-y-Bryn, Penyrheol. The Black Cock Inn and Mountain View Ranch were considered tourist destinations and met the criteria for such signing. CCBC would be unable to approve the provision of direction signing for the local shops in Troed-y-Bryn. Such signs could, however, be placed on private land.

RESOLVED – Noted

45. **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)

46. **POLICE AND RELATED MATTERS**

As per the agreement, there was no Police in attendance.

RESOLVED - Noted

47. **WHQS ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMME**

The consultation had taken place on 27th June 2017 at Cwm Ifor Primary School regarding what improvements the residents of Penyrheol would like to see, paid for by the WHQS Environmental Programme.

RESOLVED - Noted

48. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The following planning applications were considered :

- (a) 17/0465/NOTT – Land at Heol Aneurin, near Y Cilgant, Penyrheol, Caerphilly
 - Installation of 15m monopole supporting three antennas, two dishes etc
- (b) 17/0486/CON – Ty Treharne, Groeswen Road, Groeswen
 - Demolish and provide work in connection with safe removal of dangerous structure
- (c) 17/0487/FULL – 4 Skomer Island Way, Caerphilly CF83 2AR
 - Erect two-storey side and rear extension

The above planning applications/appeals 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 application be noted.

49. **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 J Scriven reported a complaint regarding no school bus service running from Penyrheol past St Cenydd School. According to CCBC regulations, pupils have to live more than two miles from the school to be eligible for free travel to school.

RESOLVED – Noted

(d) Cllr J Scriven reported overgrown brambles on the plot of land in First Avenue, Trecenydd. Cllr L Whittle said that he would speak to Mr Simon Beecham of CCBC.

RESOLVED – Cllr L Whittle to contact CCBC

(e) Cllr S L Skivens reported that he was disappointed that the proposed traffic lights on the new Pwllypant roundabout would be part-time lights, as it had been initially said that they would be full-time. He felt that a controlled-lights system should be put in place, especially for drivers emerging from Pwllypant Hill, otherwise, the same problems would occur, with drivers having to try to pull out onto the roundabout at speed.

RESOLVED – Clerk to contact CCBC

PTE07/2017
– Traffic
lights on
Pwllypant
roundabout

- (f) Cllr S L Skivens reported that he had met with Commoners and The Brinkers regarding problems on the Common and a press release would be done. Public opinion now strongly indicated that something needed to be done as soon as possible. Cllr Skivens to report back to next meeting on any developments.

RESOLVED – Cllr S L Skivens to report to next meeting

- (g) Cllr S L Skivens reported that he had received complaints that there was no public bus service from Caerphilly to the Royal Gwent Hospital. If residents had to use this hospital, then adequate transport should be provided. Cllr Skivens to contact Chief Executive of Health Board and would report back to next meeting.

RESOLVED – Cllr Skivens to contact Chief Executive of Health Board and report back to next meeting

- (h) Cllr S Dickens reported that taxis were parking outside Penyrheol Community Centre for long periods of time. Clerk to contact CCBC.

RESOLVED – Clerk to contact CCBC

- (i) Cllr S Dickens reported that lorries delivering to Tesco were causing traffic chaos during rush hour as they were parking on the pavement, just off the roundabout. Cllr G Ead said that he would speak to Tesco's Manager and report back to the next meeting. If things did not improve, the Police would be contacted.

RESOLVED – Cllr G Ead to speak to Tesco Manager

PTE07/2017
– taxis
parking
outside
Penyrheol
Community
Centre

50. **REPORTS ON MISCELLANEOUS MEETINGS**

a) **Various**

Cllr W H Allen reported that he had attended :

Cwm Ifor Environmental Programme;
Trecenydd Park meeting;
Presentation at St Cenydd Community School;
St Andrews Church meeting;
Playscheme registration;
Penyrheol Community Centre committee meeting;
WHQS consultation.

b) Cllr G Ead reported that he had attended :

Playscheme registration.

c) **Various**

Cllr S ap Hywel reported that she had attended :

Twinning Committee meeting.

d) **Various**

Cllr Mrs Sian Skivens reported that she had attended :

WHQS consultation;
Playscheme registration.

e) Cllr L Whittle reported that he had attended :

WHQS consultation;
Playscheme registration.

51. **QUARTERLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

The quarterly financial statement was discussed and accepted as a true record, budgets were on track and would remain unchanged.

RESOLVED – To accept the quarterly financial statement as a true record and note that budgets are on track

52. **YOUTH AMBASSADOR**

A nomination for the new Youth Ambassador had been received from St Cenydd Community School. A sub-committee meeting would now be set up and the nominee would be invited to attend.

RESOLVED – Clerk to arrange sub-committee meeting

53. **SUMMER PLAYSCHEMES**

The Clerk reported that everything was still on track with the summer playschemes and there were reserves waiting for each playscheme, but it was hoped that the reserves could be accommodated due to holidays etc.

RESOLVED – Noted

54. **PURCHASE OF DEFIBRILLATORS**

The Clerk reported that the defibrillators were £1,000 each and the cases would be approximately £500 each. The Clerk said that she would look into how much insuring the units would cost. The Chairman said that he would speak to a reporter at The Observer when the units had been received.

RESOLVED – Clerk to arrange suitable insurance

55. **NEWSLETTER**

The Clerk reported that items for the next newsletter would be required by the beginning of October. A sub-committee meeting would be arranged for mid-September.

RESOLVED – Noted

56. **SKATE PARK**

A discussion took place regarding the skatepark and it was resolved that, if nothing was heard back from the WHQS Environmental Programme by October, the Council would proceed with a half-pipe, as skatepark upgrade plans had been ongoing for a long time.

RESOLVED – To go ahead with purchase of half-pipe if nothing heard back from WHQS by October 2017

57. **SENGHENYDD MEMORIAL AWARDS**

Cllr L Whittle reported that the Awards were held at Senghenydd RFC annually and awards were presented to ex-pupils of St Cenydd Community School to help with educational, cultural or sporting activities. Tables were available for anyone to purchase.

RESOLVED – Noted

58. **CCBC-OWNED BUILDINGS**

Cllr Whittle asked for this item to be added to the agenda, so that Community Councillors could think about this over the next few months and whether the Community Council would want to – or be in a position to – take over any CCBC-owned buildings within the wards if they became available.

RESOLVED – Item to be added to future agenda

59. **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 received from CCBC re : consultation on proposal to introduce a Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) relating to dog control.

RESOLVED – Noted

Email received from CCBC re : Strategy for Caerphilly Basin Stakeholder Workshops on 22nd June 2017.

RESOLVED – Noted

Email received from CCBC re : Code of Conduct training to be held on 27th July 2017.

RESOLVED – Noted

Email received from CCBC re : The Great Cheese Race 2017

RESOLVED - Noted

(c) **General correspondence**

No correspondence had been received.

60. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF DONATIONS**

No acknowledgements had been received.

61. **DONATIONS**

(a) **Penyrheol Over 50's**

RESOLVED – in the interest of benefit to the community that a donation of £150 be approved

(b) **Pandy Road Allotments Association**

RESOLVED – in the interest of benefit to the community that a donation of £150 be approved

(c) **Undercurrents**

RESOLVED – in the interest of benefit to the community that a donation of £150 be approved

(d) **Caerphilly Town Council – Fireworks**

RESOLVED – in the interest of benefit to the community that a donation of £1750 be approved

62. **APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS FOR JULY AND AUGUST (SUMMER RECESS)**

The following payments were approved by the Council :

- (a) Clerk's salary – July and August 2017
- (b) Clerk's expenses – July and August 2017;
- (c) Inland Revenue – July and August 2017;
- (d) Members' expenses – July and August 2017;

- (e) Chairman's Charity – Alzheimer's Society Wales - £600;
- (f) Chairman's Charity – Stroke Association Wales - £600;
- (g) Playscheme expenditure.

63. **ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED AT NEXT MEETING**

Community Councillor ID badges. Cllr G Ead to look into it and report back to next meeting.

RESOLVED – Noted

64. **NEXT MEETING**

RESOLVED that the next meeting be held on Thursday, 21st September 2017 (following summer recess) at 7.00 pm.

PLEASE NOTE

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