

**Cyngor Cymuned
Penyrheol Treceunydd Energlyn
Community Council**

**MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT
PENYRHEOL COMMUNITY CENTRE
ON THURSDAY, 21st FEBRUARY 2019 AT 7.00 PM**

Present: Councillors: W H Allen, S Dickens (Chair), S D ap Hywel, T ap Hywel, P Owen-Griffiths (Vice-Chair), J Scriven, S J Skivens, S L Skivens, L Whittle

Also present: Helen Treherne (Clerk)

Minute		Action
134.	To note members' attendance and to receive and agree apologies for absence	
	The Chair welcomed Councillors to the meeting. Apologies had been received from S L Skivens and Youth Ambassador. Resolved: To accept apologies	
135.	To discuss issues brought up by members of the public	
	No members of the public present. Resolved: Noted	
136.	To approve minutes of the Council meeting held on 17th January 2019	
	Minutes of the meeting on 17 th January 2019 were approved as a true record. Resolved: To approve minutes of 17th January 2019 as a true record	
137.	To discuss matters arising	
	Penrhos crossing: Cllrs P Owen-Griffiths and J Scriven had met with a CCBC Highways Officer, who had informed that pedestrian crossing would not be possible, but trees would be cut back to allow better visibility. Councillors still deemed the road to be dangerous and were awaiting written response from Highways. The road was a 40mph road and five crashes had occurred on the roundabout in the snow. Councillors had asked for pedestrian crossing to be situated by bus stop or barriers placed on bend, but Highways Officer said there was no funding for this. It was resolved that Clerk would write to Highways Officer to confirm way forward. (Ref: minutes 15.06.17, item 29 (c)). Resolved: Clerk to write to CCBC Highways Officer Dog bins: Clerk had chased CCBC re: placement of new dog bins and would report to next meeting. (Ref: numerous minutes)	

	<p>The grass on the banking in Hendredenny had been cut. (Ref: minutes 20.09.18, item 61 (b)).</p> <p>Cllr P Owen-Griffiths asked about grit bin for Penrhos/Castell Maen estate and also said that some dog owners were still being irresponsible. The Clerk informed him that CCBC did not have funds for additional grit bins but that the area was on the list when funding became available.</p> <p>Cllr S Skivens asked if the problems with the pedestrian crossing in Heol Aneurin could be revisited with CCBC and that the crossing was raised and acted as a dam, with cars braking on ice or pools of water. He suggested two cuts either side of the crossing to allow the water to flow away. Signage also needed to be further apart or more visual and perhaps a flashing light sign. (Ref: minutes 21.04.16, item 204 (c)).</p> <p>Cllr P Owen-Griffiths reported that he and the Clerk had visited Barclays to ask if they owned the land at Y Felin Ffrwd. Clerk subsequently hand-delivered letter to Barclays Caerphilly Branch and was awaiting reply. (Ref: minutes 17.01.19, item 115).</p>	
138.	To discuss Police matters	
	<p>There was no Police presence at this meeting, as per previous agreement. Councillors reported that there were still anti-social issues in Penyrheol, ie burning bins, throwing bins around, fires lit, swearing at residents etc. Police were aware of the group of youths but needed people to report all issues. Cllr S Skivens advised that residents could contact Gwent Police anonymously via their Facebook page.</p> <p>Resolved: Noted</p>	
139.	To discuss items/issues brought up by Councillors	
	<p>No issues were brought up by Councillors.</p> <p>Resolved: Noted</p>	
140.	To receive reports on Councillor attendance at meetings/committees	
	<p>140.1 Cllr Owen-Griffiths reported that he and the Clerk had visited Barclays Bank in Caerphilly and he had attended a site visit with Cllr Scriven.</p> <p>140.2 Cllr J Scriven reported that he had attended a highways site visit in Penrhos.</p> <p>Resolved: Noted</p>	
141.	To receive report from Youth Ambassador	
	<p>The Youth Ambassador was not in attendance at this meeting due to heavy school workload.</p> <p>Resolved: Noted</p>	

<p>142.</p>	<p>To discuss planning applications</p> <p>The following planning applications were discussed:</p> <p>142.1 18/0989/LBC – White Cross Inn, Groeswen Road, Groeswen, Cardiff CF15 7UT - carry out works to telephone box, remove defunct telephone, install defibrillator and paint outside of box</p> <p>142.2 19/0049/RM – Land North of Hendredenny Drive, Hendredenny, Caerphilly - Seek approval of reserved matters relating to layout, scale, appearance and landscaping</p> <p>142.3 19/0061/FULL – 6 Energlyn Close, Energlyn, Caerphilly CF83 2QU - Erect front porch and rear single storey sun room</p> <p>Resolved: In the general interest of the community that:</p> <p>having been previously circulated to Members and having received no comments or objections in respect of applications 142.1 and 142.3, 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.</p> <p>With regards to 142.2, Councillors still strongly objected to the application to build houses in Hendredenny, albeit planning consent had already been granted by the Welsh Assembly on appeal. Clerk to send another objection letter to CCBC Planning Dept. Cllr Whittle would be attending the meeting at which this application would be discussed.</p>	
<p>143.</p>	<p>To receive update on WHQS/Skate Park</p> <p>The Clerk reported that tenders had now been received by CCBC and it was hoped that work would start last two weeks of March. Play and fitness equipment would be installed in February. Work in Trecenydd would start in August. Cllr J Scriven asked when CCBC would complete the housing work in Trecenydd and Cllr Whittle replied that all work had to be completed by 2020.</p> <p>Resolved: Noted</p>	
<p>144.</p>	<p>To discuss litter-picking project</p> <p>As Cllr G Ead and the Youth Ambassador were not present, item to be deferred to next meeting.</p> <p>Resolved: Item to be added to agenda of next meeting</p>	
<p>145.</p>	<p>To discuss tree issue at Y Felin Ffrwd</p> <p>As above, Cllr P Owen-Griffiths had visited Barclays Bank (see matters arising). Clerk was also asked to ask CCBC to revisit the issue.</p> <p>Resolved: Clerk to contact CCBC</p>	

146.	To discuss Newsletter	
	<p>The Clerk asked Councillors for items for the Newsletter and a Committee meeting would be arranged in due course.</p> <p>Resolved: Noted</p>	
147.	To discuss local health facilities	
	<p>The Clerk had contacted Aneurin Bevan Health Board to enquire about future health facilities within the ward. An Officer had replied to say she would see if they could attend a future Community Council meeting. Reply awaited.</p> <p>Resolved: To await reply</p>	
148.	To discuss summer playschemes	
	<p>The Clerk reported that two playworkers and one play leader were required and that adverts were about to go out. A Playscheme Committee meeting would need to be arranged for shortlisting.</p> <p>Resolved: Clerk to send out adverts and arrange Playscheme Committee meeting</p>	
149.	To discuss correspondence received	
	<p>An email had been received from the Wales Audit Office re: Financial Management and Governance – Town and Community Councils 2017-18 and Internal Audit Arrangements at Town and Community Councils in Wales. The Clerk had completed a WAO survey and the Community Council had been included in the report as an example of good practice. The Clerk asked permission to attend an Advanced Finance course at a cost of £40 and this was agreed.</p> <p>Resolved: Noted</p> <p>An email had been received from CCBC re: budget update.</p> <p>Resolved: Noted</p> <p>An email had been received re: Civil Parking Enforcement across Caerphilly County Borough.</p> <p>Resolved: Noted</p> <p>An email had been received from One Voice Wales asking if the Community Council would like to become a member. Councillors felt that the fee was too high and voted against membership at this time.</p> <p>Resolved: Clerk to contact One Voice Wales</p> <p>An email had been received from the Welsh Assembly regarding the Senedd and Election Bill to introduce votes at 16.</p> <p>Resolved: Noted</p>	

150.	To approve donations	
	<p>130.1 <u>Dance Unity Formation Teams</u></p> <p>Resolved: in the interest of benefit to the community that a donation of £200 be granted</p> <p><u>HCPT Group 99</u></p> <p>Resolved: in the interest of benefit to the community that a donation of £200 be granted</p>	
151.	To approve payments	
	<p>The following payments were approved by the Council:</p> <p>131.1 Clerk's salary – February 2019; 131.2 Clerk's expenses – February 2019; 131.3 Inland Revenue – February 2019; 131.4 Members' expenses – February 2019.</p> <p>Resolved: To approve all above payments</p>	
152.	To agree items to be discussed at next meeting	
	<p>Local health facilities, trees at Y Felin Ffrwd.</p> <p>Resolved: Noted</p>	
153.	To agree next Council meeting as Thursday, 21st March 2019	
	<p>Date of next meeting agreed as Thursday, 21st March 2019 at Penyrheol Community Centre.</p> <p>Resolved: Noted</p>	
	The meeting was closed at 8.15 pm	