## Cyngor Cymuned Penyrheol Trecenydd Energlyn Community Council

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

**Present:** Councillors: S Dickens (SD), G Ead (GE), S D ap Hywel (SapH), T ap Hywel (TapH), P Owen Griffiths (PO), J Scriven (JS), S J Skivens (SJS), S L Skivens (SLS), L Whittle

Also present: Helen Treherne (Clerk), PC Adams, PCSO Hadji-Aghalar

Minute		Action
120.	To receive Chair's welcome and receive and agree apologies for absence	
	Apologies received from ClIrs W H Allen and A W Pennington and both apologies were accepted.	
	Resolved: To accept above apologies	
121.	To discuss issues brought up by members of the public	
	No members of the public present.	
	Resolved: Noted	
122.	To approve minutes of the Council meeting held on 17 <sup>th</sup> October 2019	
	The minutes of 17 <sup>th</sup> October 2019 were approved as a true record.	
	Resolved: To approve minutes as a true record	
123.	To discuss matters arising	
	The Clerk reported that she had received a reply from CCBC to say that residents should contact CCBC, not the Community Council regarding bad workmanship on Council houses. SJS said that he had attended a WHQS meeting and made representation on behalf of families. He had asked CCBC to manage refurbishments more closely in future.	
	Resolved: Noted	
124.	To discuss Police matters	
	TapH reported that residents in Hendredenny had suffered numerous incidents of scratching to their cars. PC Adams advised that residents should contact the Police every time it happened. Officers were patrolling in the early hours. The incidents had spiked, but there was no pattern. TapH also said that residents were complaining about parking outside Hendredenny Park Primary School and PC Adams said that regular visits were being made to the school.	

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SD reported an ongoing issue with off-road bikes, PC Adams said that since the beginning of August, five reports had been received. One of the perpetrators was being issued with an ABC contract. An off-road bike programme would be introduced soon. A stinger could be used but officers had to carry out a risk assessment first. South Wales Police were looking into having an off-road bike team and Gwent Police may follow suit. There were not enough calls coming in. The more calls received, more resources would be allocated. SD reported that off-road bikers regularly used the trip in Penyrheol. Drones had been used by the Police in Rudry. SJS reported that someone had been casing houses on Energlyn Park. An individual was caught in a front garden looking through a window. PC Adams said that it was a big issue in Caerphilly, people trying door handles etc. Again, residents must ring Police. Police officers were able to use dogs, soft-search them etc. SLS reported problems with parking outside Cwm Ifor Primary School. PC Adams said that CCBC had now taken over parking, but he would email the Enforcement Officer in CCBC. LW reported issues in Llwyn On Street with commuters parking in the street. PC Adams said that drivers had been advised to stay away due to ongoing incident. Resolved: Noted 125. To discuss items/issues brought up by Councillors 125.1 A Councillor reported that there was no longer a lollypop person PTE11/2019 outside Cwm Ifor and there had been complaints regarding near lollypop person misses. Cwm Ifor Resolved: Clerk to contact CCBC 125.2 SD asked the Clerk could look into obtaining ID badges for councillors. PTE11/2019 - ID badges Resolved: Clerk to contact CCBC. 125.3 SJS reported that cars were still speeding along Brynglas. The WHQS PTE11/2019 had promised to fix a railing around Brynglas green, but it had been Brynglas railings placed around the wrong green. Resolved: Clerk to investigate. 125.4 SapH asked the Clerk to contact CCBC regarding re-siting a dog bin in PTE11/2019 -Kidwelly Court, Hendredenny. Re-site dog bin Kidwelly Court Resolved: Clerk to contact CCBC 125.5 SD reported that the new houses at the former Cwm Ifor site would hopefully be started at the end of October and finished by July. She had asked to be kept updated.

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125.6	PO reported that he had received a request from a resident to take away the bin adjacent to the Presbyterian Church as it was broken.  Resolved: Clerk to contact CCBC	PTE11/2019 – remove bin Presbyterian Church
126.	To receive reports on Councillor attendance at meetings/committees	
126.1	SapH reported that she had attended a Caerphilly Twinning Association meeting and the Senghenydd Memorial.	
126.2	TapH reported that he had attended the Senghenydd Memorial.	
126.3	SD reported that she had attended the Christmas Concert meetings and Remembrance Sunday.	
126.4	JS reported that he had attended Remembrance Sunday.	
126.5	PO reported that he had attended the Christmas Concert meeting.	
126.6	SJS reported that he had attended Remembrance Sunday and the Newsletter Committee meeting.	
126.7	LW reported that he had attended Remembrance Sunday.	
126.8	SLS reported that she had attended the Christmas Concert meetings.	
	Resolved: Noted	
127.	To discuss the Section 6 Biodiversity and Resilience of Ecosystems duty	
	The Clerk advised that a report had to be submitted with regards to the Section 6 Biodiversity and Resilience of Ecosystems duty. Ideas for the report were as follows: Litter picks; an attempt to go paperless; Christmas lights to be replaced with LEDs', new Youth Ambassador to contact schools to discuss environmental issues, a water point: Clerk to ask CCBC.	
	SJS suggested that this item become a regular agenda item. The desire to improve the environment could also be added to the grant form. The community centres could be asked if they could use green tariffs for utilities and to consider panels for the community centre roofs.	
	It was suggested that an extraordinary or separate committee be arranged and that a committee meeting could meet before the main meeting.	
	Resolved: Clerk to add all above to report	

128.	To discuss WHQS property refurbishments	
	The Clerk reported that a reply had been received from CCBC to say that residents should contact CCBC to discuss individual issues with the recent refurbishments.	
	Resolved: Noted	
129.	To discuss appointment of Youth Ambassador	
	SJS reported that no applications had been received and it was resolved that the closing date be extended until the end of January 2020.	
	Resolved: Noted	
130.	To discuss newsletter	
	The Clerk reported that the newsletter had been printed and was in the process of being delivered.	
	Resolved: Noted	
131.	To discuss planning applications	
	The following planning applications were discussed:	
131.1	19/0844/RET – 22 Skomer Island Way, Caerphilly - Retain garage conversion into living accommodation	
131.2	19/0867/FULL – 7 Heol Serth, Penyrheol, Caerphilly - Erect single storey rear extension	
	<b>Resolved:</b> In the general interest of the community that: having been previously circulated to Councillors, no comments or objections to be made to CCBC in respect of applications 131.1 and 131.2	
132.	To receive update on litter picking project	
	It was resolved that a date for the litter pick would be arranged in the New Year.	
	Resolved: Noted	
133.	To discuss Community Christmas events and Civic Awards	
	It was agreed that the Community Christmas Concert should be postponed. Committee to meet in January 2020 to discuss.	
	Resolved: Christmas Events Committee to be arranged for January	
134.	To discuss correspondence received	
	No correspondence received.	

135.	To approve donations	
135.1	Pleasant Place residents	
	Resolved: in the interest of benefit to the community, a donation of £200 to be awarded (Local Government Act 2000, s.2 – Wellbeing)	
135.2	Gwent Police	
	Resolved: in the interest of benefit to the community, a donation of £150 to be awarded. Clerk to also ask if a dinner could be arranged for residents from The Grange/Troed-y-Bryn etc and Councillors would look at donating more money towards this. The Chair was given authority to make a decision on this due to the Christmas recess. Clerk to contact Gwent Police (Local Government Act 2000, s.2 – Wellbeing)	
136.	To approve payments, including authorisation to conduct business over Christmas recess	
	The following payments were approved by the Council:	
	Clerk's salary – November 2019 Clerk's expenses – November 2019 Inland Revenue – November 2019 Members' expenses – November 2019 – none Councillors agreed that Clerk could purchase blower for Santa's grotto	
	at a cost of £260  Resolved: To approve all above payments	
137.	To agree items to be discussed at next meeting	
	Biodiversity.	
	Resolved: Noted	
138.	To agree next Council meeting	
	Date of next meeting agreed as Thursday, 16 <sup>th</sup> January 2020 at Penyrheol Community Centre at 7.00 pm. Finance Committee to meet at 6.15 pm.	
	Resolved: Noted	
	The meeting was concluded at 8.00 pm	