



**CYNGOR CYMUNED
PENYRHEOL TRECENYDD ENERGLYN
COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON THURSDAY, 18th JUNE 2020 AT 7.00 PM
The meeting was conducted remotely due to the COVID-19 pandemic**

Present: Councillors: G Ead (GE), S ap Hywel (SaH), T ap Hywel (TaH), P Owen Griffiths (Chair), J Scriven (JS), SJ Skivens (SJS), SL Skivens (SLS), L Whittle (LW)

Also present: Helen Treherne (Clerk)

Minute		Action
29.	To receive Chair's welcome and receive and approve apologies for absence	
	The Chair welcomed Councillors to the meeting. Apology received from Tyler Scriven, Youth Ambassador. Resolved: Noted	
30.	To receive declarations of interest in items on the agenda	
	No declarations of interest received.	
31.	To approve minutes of virtual meeting held on 18th June 2020	
	The minutes of the virtual meeting held on 18 th June 2020 were approved as a true record. Resolved: To approve minutes as a true record	
32.	To discuss matters arising	
	No matters arising.	
33.	To discuss Police matters	
	No Police matters raised. Resolved: Noted	
34.	To discuss items/issues brought up by Councillors/COVID-19 update	
34.1	The Chair reported that the Senedd had passed a motion to introduce 20mph speed limits in residential areas by 2023. The Clerk was asked to contact CCBC to ask them to lower the speed limit on the B4600, as Councillors felt it would not be possible to drop from the current 40mph speed limit to 20mph on entering the Castell Maen estate.	

<p>34.2</p> <p>34.3</p> <p>34.4</p>	<p>Another accident had occurred just off the roundabout the previous week and Police had been in attendance, along with CCBC operatives to fix the barrier that the car had crashed into. A Councillor asked whether a speed bump would be appropriate, as drivers did leave the roundabout at speed.</p> <p>Resolved: Clerk to contact CCBC regarding reducing speed limit on B4600 to 30mph</p> <p>A Councillor reported that he had reported an incidence of fly tipping at the back of Diamond Close to CCBC.</p> <p>A Councillor raised concern regarding the temporary crossing put in place on the bypass at St Cenydd in order to repair the bridge. He also hoped it would not take longer than advised, as it was already causing traffic issues. Drivers were using Penyrheol/Pwllypant as a diversion. The bridge had already been removed and the crossing was not yet in place. This meant that pedestrians had to walk across an extremely busy road.</p> <p>Councillors were also informed that the mountain road would soon be temporarily closed in order to improve air quality. This would mean that traffic would be diverted through Watford Park/St Martin's Road/Nantgarw Road etc, which, again, would cause more congestion than usual. Councillors were disappointed with the lack of consultation by CCBC regarding this road closure, as it could affect traffic flow within the wards, which would affect the Community Council's residents. The Clerk was asked to contact CCBC to convey the Community Council's disappointment at the lack of consultation once again.</p> <p>Resolved: Clerk to contact CCBC to convey the Community Council's disappointment at lack of consultation</p>	
<p>35.</p>	<p>To discuss food banks</p>	
	<p>SJS reported that he had spoken to the Minister of the Connect Life Church in Caerphilly to ask if residents of the wards used the food bank and he was informed that they did and this information would be forwarded to SJS asap. SJS added that the Citizen's Advice Bureau had recently negotiated that people with pay meters may in future be eligible for referral to food banks, which would increase the number of people eligible.</p> <p>A Councillor asked if both the Connect Life Church and St Cenydd Presbyterian Church kept a register of people accessing the food bank and was informed that they did. The Councillor was concerned about people turning up and abusing the system, as there had been instances elsewhere of people accessing food banks and selling the food. SJS stated that he, PO and LW could work with St Cenydd Presbyterian Church, should they wish to become registered/regulated, but Councillors recognised that it was their choice if they wished to do so, as they may be content to help residents on an ad hoc basis. It was also agreed that JS would be involved as he lived in the immediate area.</p>	

	<p>As the Connect Life Church was Trussell-registered, it was agreed that a monthly donation of £100 be granted until further notice, on receipt of written evidence that residents from the wards accessed the food bank. SJS to liaise with the Clerk regarding this.</p> <p>Resolved:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. PO/SJS/LW/JS to work with St Cenydd Presbyterian Church should they wish to become registered with The Trussell Trust 2. SJS to liaise with Clerk on receipt of evidence of addresses and Clerk to action the grant of £100 per month to the Connect Life Church food bank 	
36.	To discuss issues arising on common land above Penyrheol	
	<p>SJS reported that CCBC, via the planning process, had placed a prohibition notice on digging in the slag heaps in the area. It was not known if any action would be taken by CCBC. NRW still investigating issues, along with Police, who had taken various witness statements. All evidence collected by various parties to be forwarded to CCBC's Planning Department. SJS to give update at next meeting.</p> <p>Resolved: SJS to give update at next meeting</p>	
37.	To discuss planning applications	
	<p>The following planning applications were discussed:</p> <p>20/0379/FULL – Llwyn Cae Bungalow, Gypsy Lane, Groeswen - Demolish existing building and erect new house</p> <p>20/0506/FULL – 19 Caernarvon Court, Hendredenny, Caerphilly - Convert garage to family room</p> <p>Resolved: In the general interest of the community, no objections to be made by the Community Council</p>	
38.	To discuss correspondence received	
	<p>The Clerk reminded Councillors that all correspondence had previously been emailed, including CCBC updates on COVID-19.</p> <p>Resolved: Noted</p>	
39.	To discuss requests for grants	
40.	To approve payments	
	<p>Clerk's salary – July/August 2020 Clerk's expenses – July/August 2020 Inland Revenue – July/August 2020 Members' expenses – July/august 2020</p>	

41.	To agree items to be discussed at next meeting	
	<p>Decision of Playscheme Committee regarding October half-term activities.</p> <p>To decide on date for AGM.</p> <p>Resolved: Noted</p>	
42.	To agree date of next Council meeting	
	<p>Date of next meeting was agreed as Thursday, 17th September 2020, following summer recess. Councillors agreed that Chair and Clerk would liaise to make a decision on whether the meeting would be a face-to-face or virtual meeting, taking into consideration Welsh Government advice/COVID-19 situation. If possible, a face-to-face meeting would be preferred.</p> <p>Resolved: Chair to liaise with Clerk to make decision on platform for next meeting</p>	
	The meeting was concluded at 8.00 pm	