



**CYNGOR CYMUNED
PENYRHEOL TRECENYDD ENERGLYN
COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON THURSDAY, 22nd SEPTEMBER 2022 AT 7.00 PM
AT PENYRHEOL COMMUNITY CENTRE**

Present: Councillors: R Barry (RB), J Davies-Ellis (JD), S Dickens (SD), G Ead, E Llewellyn (EL), SJ Skivens (SJS), SL Skivens (SLS), Mark Watts (MW), L Whittle (LW)

Also present: Helen Treherne (Clerk)

<u>Minute Number</u>	<u>Item discussed</u>
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89.	To note members' attendance and to receive and approve apologies for absence
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In the absence of the Chair (who had planned to attend but had car trouble on route) and Vice-Chair, Cllr G Ead was voted as Acting Chair for the meeting. Apologies received from Cllrs Emma Llewellyn, Aneurin Minton and Jon Scriven and apologies accepted.

Resolved: To accept above apologies

90.	To receive declarations of interest in items on the agenda
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Cllr Ead declared an interest in item 103 as he was a member of the Planning Committee.

Resolved: Noted

91.	To approve minutes of previous meeting
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Councillors approved the minutes of the meeting held on 21st July 2022.

Resolved: To approve previous minutes as a true record

92.	To discuss Matters Arising
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SD reported that the trees outside Cwm Ifor Primary School had not been trimmed back. GE said that he had asked CCBC for this to be done and agreed to chase (Ref: minutes 21.07.22, Item 69). SJS reported that the river had now been cleaned and the source of the contamination had been found. (Ref: minutes 21.07.22, Item 69).

Resolved: GE to chase CCBC re: overgrown trees at Cwm Ifor Primary School

93.	To discuss Police matters
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There were no Police officers in attendance.

Resolved: Noted

94. To discuss items/issues brought up by Councillors

SJS reported that the overgrown trees opposite Penyrheol Community Centre had been reported. MW reported that the roads outside Pleasant Place were in an unsatisfactory state. GE agreed to contact CCBC. SD requested an additional, or larger, bin to be sited outside Londis in Penyrheol, as the current small bin was constantly overflowing. Clerk to request bin. SD requested a dog waste bin for outside Penyrheol Community Centre, as the centre hosted a lot of dog classes/clubs. Clerk to request bin. GE had reported rubbish strewn outside Trecenydd Community Centre. SD reported that the finish of the outside of the new housing development on the old Cwm Ifor site was still unsatisfactory, eg mud running down due to excess water, trees pulled out and general unsatisfactory finish. Clerk to contact United Welsh Housing. JD reported that she had attended a property in Glenfields after a complaint about fly tipping/general unkempt condition. GE agreed to check planning portal. A councillor reported ongoing issues in Y Cilgant, ie high volume of parked cars, structures being erected etc.

Resolved:

- 1. GE to contact CCBC re: unsatisfactory condition of roads outside Pleasant Place.**
- 2. Clerk to request larger bin outside Londis, Penyrheol.**
- 3. Clerk to request dog waste bin outside Penyrheol Community Centre.**
- 4. Clerk to contact United Welsh Housing regarding unsatisfactory finish to new housing development at former Cwm Ifor site.**
- 5. GE to check planning portal re: property in Glenfields.**

95. To discuss Community Empowerment Fund

The Acting Chair reminded Councillors about the Community Empowerment Fund, ie that the four County Borough Councillors were allocated a sum of money each to be given to organisations within the community. LW reported that the commemorative bench for Jac Lis bench was currently being installed. The Acting Chair said that a meeting was to be held the following Monday to discuss allocation of funds with potential organisations.

Resolved: Noted

96. To receive reports on meeting/events attended by Councillors

SJS reported that he had attended a Top Shop Working Group meeting and attended a river cleaning exercise. SD reported that she had attended a Top Shop Working Group meeting. JD reported that she had attended the proclamation for the late Queen. LW reported that he had attended the proclamation and the Memorial for the Windsor mining disaster. GE reported that he had attended the proclamation.

97. To receive verbal reports from Chairs of committees

97.1 Top Shops Working Group: The Chair reported that this had been a very positive meeting and attendees had agreed to carry out different actions. She wished to give credit to CSO Elliot Williams, who had worked hard on the issue.

Resolved: Noted

98. To discuss Communications, Website and Social Media

The Clerk had completed the draft Annual Report for 2021/22 and Councillors agreed that a basic annual report would be completed for the previous year and that the Newsletter Committee would discuss the way forward for future annual reports. Clerk to ask One Voice Wales for annual report template.

Resolved:

- 1. To approve basic annual report for 2021/22.**

- 2. Clerk to arrange Newsletter Committee meeting.**
- 3. Clerk to ask One Voice Wales for annual report template.**

99. To discuss CIL Funds

LW reported that a costing had been received from CCBC for two new bus shelters in Hendredenny, one at the entrance of Golwg y Coed and the other at the entrance of Carmarthen Court. The Clerk was asked to contact Stagecoach before agreeing to installation, to ask if they would be able to erect bus shelters for free. LW also reported that a meeting with CCBC officers and the Leader of the Council had been arranged for late September to discuss the pump track, eg maintenance, health and safety etc. Costings for the banking in Hendredenny Drive were still awaited.

Resolved: Clerk to contact Stagecoach to query possibility of free bus shelters

100. To discuss biodiversity action plan

As AM had given his apologies, it was agreed for this item to be discussed at next meeting.

Resolved: To be discussed at next meeting

101. To discuss Youth Ambassador vacancy

The Clerk reported that she had contacted St Cenydd Community School about the vacancy and was asked to also contact St Martin's Comprehensive School, Ysgol Gyfun Cwm Rhymney at Gelli Haf and Cardinal Newman.

Resolved: Clerk to contact schools

102. To receive summer playscheme reports:

The Clerk had submitted end-of-playscheme reports for both playschemes and it was agreed that these would be discussed at a meeting of the Playscheme Committee. Overall, the playschemes had gone well and any issues would be discussed by Playscheme Committee.

Resolved: Clerk to arrange Playscheme Committee meeting

103. To discuss planning applications

103.1 The following planning applications were considered:

- 103.1.1** 22/0571/FULL: 13 Llanddwyn Island Close, Caerphilly CF83 2AS.
- Convert internal garage to kitchen and storage area

Resolved: In the general interest of the community, no objections to be raised

104. To discuss correspondence received

104.1 Email from Elsbury regarding festive lights costs

Due to rising costs, Elsbury had informed of price rises. The Clerk asked Councillors if they would like her to source other companies and was informed that Councillors were happy with the service provided by Elsbury, believed the Council received good value for money and resolved to remain with the company for the foreseeable future.

Resolved: Noted

104.2 Email from CCBC re: benches in Aneurin Park

CCBC had contacted the Community Council, as a resident had requested higher benches in Aneurin Park as the current benches were very low and difficult for people with disabilities. Costs had been provided and Councillors agreed for the two benches to be replaced by higher benches. Councillors also agreed that the cost for this could be met out of CIL funds.

Resolved: To replace two benches in Aneurin Park

104.3 Email from Hedgehogs R Us

The Clerk was asked to request further information on this initiative.

Resolved: Clerk to request further information

104.4 Email from Home Start Cymru

104.5 Email from One Voice Wales re: "It's for Them" campaign

104.6 Email from One Voice Wales re: training programme

104.7 Email from CCBC re: Cost of Living Roadshows

104.8 Email from Patient's Voice re: News Bulletin

104.9 Email from Welsh Government re: The Section 6 Biodiversity and Ecosystem Resilience Duty

104.10 Request for Minor Authority representative on governing body of Hendre Infants School

The Clerk asked for nominations for a representative for the governing body of Hendre Infants School and SD was nominated and accepted the nomination.

Resolved: SD to act as Minor Authority governor on governing body of Hendre Infants school

104.11 Request from Ombudsman for information

The Clerk reported that a request for information had been received from the Ombudsman with regards to a complaint made against Cllr Jon Scriven and the Clerk had provided the information requested.

Resolved: Noted

105. To discuss requests for grants

There were no requests for grants.

Resolved: Noted

106. To discuss litter-pick group

The Acting Chair reported that a litter pick would be arranged for October and a general invite to residents would go out on social media.

Resolved: Noted

107. Christmas events

The Clerk asked Councillors if they would like to hire Santa again this year and Councillors resolved that they would undertake that themselves this year. The sleigh

would still be required and SJS to contact the sleigh owner to discuss further. Clerk to arrange Events Committee meeting to discuss Christmas events.

Resolved: Clerk to arrange Events Committee meeting

108. To approve the following payments:

- 108.1** Clerk's salary – October 2022
- 108.2** Clerk's expenses – October 2022
- 108.3** Clerk's pension – October 2022
- 108.4** Inland Revenue – October 2022
- 108.5** Members' expenses – October 2022
- 108.6** ICO – Data Protection fee - £40
- 108.7** CCBC – election fee - £235.89

Resolved: To approve the above payments

109. To agree items to be discussed at next meeting

No items agreed for next meeting.

Resolved: Noted

110. To agree date of next Council meeting

Date of next meeting was agreed as Thursday, 20th October 2022 at 7.00 pm.

The meeting was concluded at 8.30 pm.