



**CYNGOR CYMUNED
PENYRHEOL TRECENYDD ENERGLYN
COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON THURSDAY, 21st MARCH 2024 AT 7.00 PM
AT PENYRHEOL COMMUNITY CENTRE**

Present: Councillors: S Dickens; J Davies-Ellis; G Ead; A Minton; SJ Skivens

Also present: PCSO Thomas Humphreys; Helen Treherne (Clerk)

**Minute Item discussed
Number**

In the absence of the Chair, the Vice-Chair took the chair and welcomed Councillors to the meeting.

174. To note members' attendance and to receive and approve apologies for absence

Apologies received from Cllrs R Barry, E Llewellyn, N Owen, J Scriven, SL Skivens and L Whittle and apologies accepted.

Resolved: To accept apologies for absence

175. To discuss Police matters

PCSO Humphreys reported that a new Sargeant had been appointed.

Resolved: Noted

176. To receive Youth Council report, including report on the issue of vaping in schools

There were no Youth Council members in attendance. Cllr SJ Skivens reported that he had attended a presentation on the issues of vaping in schools.

Resolved: Noted

177. To receive declarations of interest in items on the agenda

Cllr G Ead declared an interest in item 168 as he was a member of CCBC's Planning Committee.

Resolved: Noted

178. To receive any public representations to the Community Council

There were no members of the public in attendance.

Resolved: Noted

179. To approve minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 15th February 2024 were approved as a true record.

Resolved: To approve previous minutes as a true record

180. To discuss Matters Arising

Cllr SJ Skivens asked what the criteria was for being given a Ring door bell and was informed that these could be provided by Safer Streets and the criteria included harm/threat/domestic violence. Cllr Skivens to contact PCSO Humphreys to discuss.

Resolved: Cllr SJ Skivens to contact PCSO Humphreys to discuss access to Ring door bell

181. To discuss items/issues brought up by Councillors

Cllr SJ Skivens reported overgrown bushes adjacent to Energlyn Hospital. Cllr A Minton reported the continuous removal of bollards between Caledfryn and Bowls Lane. These were being removed with steel cutters. A higher curb was suggested. Cllr Davies-Ellis reported that the issue with the light in the tunnel in Trecenydd was ongoing, with no organisation accepting responsibility for the light. Cllr Davies-Ellis to continue to pursue this. Cllr S Dickens reported issues with parking in Cefn-y-Lon, with residents parking fully on the pavement.

Resolved: Clerk to contact CCBC regarding above issues

182. To receive reports on meetings/events attended by Councillors

Cllr Minton reported that he had attended a site visit in Caledfryn. Cllr Davies-Ellis reported that she had attended the orchard planting. Cllr Dickens reported that she had attended a Playscheme Committee meeting, and a Top Shop Working Group meeting. Cllr SJ Skivens reported that he had attended the orchard planting, Playscheme Committee meeting, Top Shop Working Group and CIL site meeting.

Resolved: Noted

183. To receive verbal reports from Chairs of committees

183.1 Playscheme Committee meeting held on 06.03.24: The Chair of the Committee reported that the registration would be done differently this year, to ensure a fairer process so that every child had an opportunity to attend. Trecenydd's playscheme would take place in Hendre Infants School this year due to replacement of hall flooring at Hendre Junior School.

183.2 Top Shops Working Group meeting held on 13.03.24: The Chair reported that she and Cllr SJ Skivens had conveyed their disappointment at the lack of progress. The gate had not been forthcoming, the condition of the buildings was still a big concern, as were the filling up of drains with rubbish and the graffiti. CCBC officers had promised to look into these issues.

183.3 CIL Working Group meeting held on 21.03.24: Cllr SJ Skivens reported that he had attended a site visit with CCBC officers, the Deputy Head of St Cenydd Community School and pump track contractors. An issue had been raised regarding the mature trees in the area. The CCBC officer had agreed to discuss this with a tree specialist and report back to Cllr Skivens.

Resolved: Noted

184. To discuss planning applications

Councillors reviewed the following planning applications:

184.1 24/0127/HH – 5 Carmarthen Court, Hendredenny, Caerphilly CF83 2TX
- Erect side and front extension

184.2 24/0199/HH – 46 Court Road, Energlyn, Caerphilly CF83 2LT
- Replace existing bungalow hipped roof with gable end roof with addition of dormer extensions and replace existing garage mono pitched roof with pitched roof

Resolved: In the general interest of the community, no objections be raised to item 184.1 or 184.2

185. To discuss correspondence received:

The following correspondence was discussed:

185.1 Email from Focus Futures re: Focus Futures project

185.2 Email from CCBC re: IRP Annual Report

185.3 Email from Planning and Environment Decisions Wales re: Twyn Hywel Wind Farm

185.4 Email from One Voice Wales re: Tiny Forest funding

185.5 Email from CCBC re: Waste and Recycling Strategy Consultation

185.6 Email from Wingfield Hotel re: Tourism project for the Caerphilly Hinterland

Resolved: Noted

186. To discuss requests for grants

186.1 ToyBox Project

Councillors approved a grant of £400 and asked the Clerk to invite the organisers to the next meeting to discuss other ways that Community Councillors could possibly help.

Resolved: In the interest of benefit to the community, a grant of £400 to be approved and to invite organisers to next meeting

187. To approve the following payments:

187.1 Clerk's salary – April 2024

187.2 Office allowance – April 2024

187.3 Clerk's pension – April 2024

187.4 Inland Revenue – April 2024

Resolved: Noted

188. To agree items to be discussed at next meeting

No items agreed to be discussed at next meeting.

Resolved: Noted

189. To agree date of next Council meeting

Date of next meeting was agreed as Thursday, 18th April 2024 at 7.00 pm.

The meeting was concluded at 8.15 pm.