



CYNGOR CYMUNED
PENYRHEOL TRECENYDD ENERGLYN
COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON THURSDAY, 19th FEBRUARY 2026 AT 7.00 PM
AT PENYRHEOL COMMUNITY CENTRE

Present: Councillors: S Dickens (Vice-Chair); J Davies-Ellis; G Ead; A Minton; N Owen; SJ Skivens; A Williams

Also present: Helen Treherne (Clerk)

Minute Item discussed
Number

In the absence of the Chair, the Vice-Chair led the meeting and welcomed Councillors.

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

Apologies for absence received from Cllrs J Scriven and SL Skivens and apologies accepted.

Resolved: To accept above apologies for absence

139. To discuss Police matters

The PCSO in attendance reported that, overall, the calls regarding anti-social behaviour have decreased since the previous month. Calls had been received regarding people on off-road bikes and quad bikes which had been linked mainly to reports of youths on these vehicles. Patrols were being conducted. There were also reports of youths loitering around The Top Shops during the evenings. PCSOs had been actively patrolling these areas during the evenings in marked and unmarked vehicles. Councillors added that calls may have reduced due to residents being too apprehensive to ring the Police and therefore the statistics did not show the true extent of the issues.

Posters had been distributed regarding the dangers of E Scooters and the harmful battery chemicals they used. The Fire Service had also been contacted regarding parking issues within the Penyrheol Ward, with an aim to combat this issue as Emergency Service Vehicles would not be able to gain access due to these parking issues.

A Councillor reported that there had been a multi-vehicle accident in Hendredenny and he had contacted CCBC to repair the damaged lamppost.

The PCSO reported that they had attended Hendre Primary School to do an anti-discrimination workshop.

Police/Councillor surgeries were being planned and the PCSO was asked to give dates to Cllr Dickens to arrange for the community centre to be booked.

Resolved: Noted

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

Cllr Greg Ead declared an interest in item 150 as he was a member of CCBC's Planning Committee. He therefore took no part in discussions for that item.

Resolved: Noted

141. To receive any public representations to the Community Council

No public representations received.

Resolved: Noted

142. To receive Youth Ambassador reports

The Youth Ambassadors had nothing to report at this meeting.

Resolved: Noted

143. To approve minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 15th January 2026 were approved as a true record.

Resolved: To approve previous minutes as a true record

144. To discuss Matters Arising

Defibrillator: the Clerk reported that the installation of the defibrillator on Hendredenny Drive was nearing completion. Cllr Williams agreed that he would carry out the weekly defibrillator checks.

Resolved: Cllr Williams to carry out the weekly checks

145. To discuss Community Councillor co-option vacancies

Michelle Coombes had submitted a biography on why she would like to become a co-opted Community Councillor following the advertisement and attended the meeting to discuss further. Councillors unanimously agreed to appoint Michelle Coombes as co-opted Community Councillor.

Another candidate had been unable to attend this meeting but would be invited to the March meeting.

Resolved: To appoint Michelle Coombes as co-opted Community Councillor

146. To receive update on proposed CIL-funded environmental project and balance of CIL funds

The Clerk had prepared a report on outstanding CIL funds. It was agreed that the Chair would obtain quotes and enquire about permission from CCBC for the wall art outside St Cenydd Community School.

The Clerk was also asked to enquire if the King's Trust project would be eligible for CIL funding.

Resolved:

- 1. Chair to seek quotes and permission for wall art**
- 2. Clerk to enquire about eligibility of King's Trust project**

147. To discuss items/issues brought up by Councillors

Cllr Dickens reported the continued issue of parking on the junction of Glan Ffrwd in Penyrheol. The issue was becoming increasingly dangerous. The Chair agreed to contact CCBC to discuss further.

Cllr Dickens reported that the front wall of the Top Shop stores building appeared to be structurally unsafe, as the lintel had come away from the brickwork. The Clerk was asked to contact CCBC Building Control.

Cllr Davies-Ellis reported an issue with mould and damp in First Avenue, Treceenydd, which had been reported to CCBC.

Cllr Williams reported on a fault with streetlights in Hendredenny which had been reported to CCBC.

Cllr SJ Skivens reported on the increase in potholes within the wards. It appeared that contractors were carrying out work on the roads and CCBC were expected to repair the damage.

Cllr SJ Skivens gave an update on the issues being experienced by residents of the Ffordd Newydd Estate in Penyrheol. These issues had been escalated to an Assembly Member. Cllr SJ Skivens to give an update at next meeting.

Resolved:

- 1. Chair to contact CCBC regarding parking issues on junction of Glan Ffrwd.**
- 2. Clerk to contact CCBC Building Control regarding issue with wall at Top Shops.**
- 3. Cllr SJ Skivens to give an update on issues at Ffordd Newydd at next meeting.**

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

Cllr Dickens reported that she had attended site visits regarding the Ffordd Newydd estate.

Cllr Owen reported that he had attended a governors' meeting at Cwm Ifor Primary School.

Cllr Ead reported that he had attended a governors' meeting.

Councillors reported attending the Christmas events.

Resolved: Noted

149. To receive verbal reports from Chairs of committees

149.1 Finance Committee meeting held on 15.01.26:

Cllr SJ Skivens reported that the Finance Committee had reviewed the 2025-26 budget, reconciled bank statements, discussed the proposed precept and reviewed CIL expenditure. Recommendations had been made to slightly increase budgets for Grants, HMRC payments, Clerk's salary, Audit, Events and Festive Lights. Please refer to Finance Committee minutes (15.01.26) for explanations.

The Clerk reported that, due to the January meeting having to be cancelled on the night due to a medical emergency, Councillors had approved the 3% precept increase via email.

149.2 Communications Committee meeting held on 10.11.25:

Cllr G Ead reported that councillors had discussed the annual report, biodiversity report, Christmas events and CIL funding ideas.

Councillors approved the Biodiversity Report 2025-28.

Resolved: To approve the Biodiversity Report 2025-28

150. To discuss planning applications

150.1 26/0042/TPO - 1 Bryn Derwen, Penyrheol, Caerphilly CF83 2UZ
- Remove diseased limb of Oak tree protected by TPO

150.2 26/0064/HH - 20 Llwyd-y-berth, Caerphilly CF83 2QF
- Demolish existing rear conservatory and erect single storey wrap around extension and partially demolish front porch and relocate

150.3 26/0076/HH 36 Bryn Yr Ysgol, Penyrheol, Caerphilly CF83 2BY
- Demolish existing garage and erect a two-storey side extension and rear extension

150.4 - 26/0080/COU - Unit D, Trecenydd Business Park, Caerphilly CF83 2RZ
- Change use of vacant B2 unit to D2 leisure use for three padel courts and associated works

Resolved: In the general interest of the community, no objections be raised to items 151.1 to 151.4.

151. To discuss correspondence received:

No correspondence received.

Resolved: Noted

152. To discuss requests for grants

No requests for grants received.

153. To approve the following payments:

- 153.1 Clerk's salary – February and March 2026
- 153.2 Office allowance – February and March 2026
- 153.3 Clerk's pension – February and March 2026
- 153.4 Inland Revenue – February and March 2026
- 153.5 Elsbury - balance of festive lights
(erecting/dismantling/checking/storage) - £2319.84
- 153.6 Town and County Council Liaison Committee annual fee - £100
- 153.7 National Grid - supply of electricity to defibrillator in Hendredenny

Resolved: To approve above payments

154. To agree items to be discussed at next meeting

Update on issues on Ty Newydd estate.

Resolved: Noted

155. To agree date of next Council meeting

Date of next meeting was agreed as Thursday, 19th March 2026 at 7.00 pm.

The meeting was concluded at 8.30 pm.