CYNGOR CYMUNED
PENYRHEOL TRECENYDD ENERGLYN
COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON THURSDAY, 15th OCTOBER 2026 AT 7.00 PM
AT PENYRHEOL COMMUNITY CENTRE

Present: Councillors: J Davies-Ellis; S Dickens; G Ead; N Owen; J Scriven; S J Skivens; S L Skivens; A Williams

Also present: Helen Treherne (Clerk)

Minute Number **Item discussed**

In the absence of the Chair, GE agreed to act as Chair and welcomed Councillors to the meeting.

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

Apologies received from Cllrs M Coombes and A Minton and apologies accepted.

Resolved: To accept apologies for absence

96. To discuss Police matters

PCSO Watkins reported 184 incidents of crime had been reported to the Police during October, which was an increase on the previous month. A total of eight anti-social behaviour reports had been made, down three from the previous month.

Calls regarding people on off-road bikes and quad bikes had been received and patrols were being conducted. Youths were still loitering around the Top Shops area in the evenings and PCSOs had been actively patrolling these areas in both marked and unmarked vehicles.

There had been a lot of driving offences and theft offences in the area that Gwent Police was targeting at the moment and had already seized numerous vehicles in relation to these incidents. Surons had been seized and a wanted male being spotted had resulted in an arrest. Stolen cars and vans were found in Penyrheol and recovered for further forensic examination, including one vehicle that was involved in a fail to stop in the Blaenau Gwent area.

PCSO Watkins reported on a neighbour dispute and had been liaising with both families. SJS said that he had dealt with this issue in the past and agreed to forward the name of the CCBC officer who had previously dealt with the issue.

A councillor reported on the legal case regarding the common land at the top of Penyrheol.

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A councillor reported on issues occurring at a house in Penyrheol and said they would be reporting the issues to CCBC.

Resolved: SJS to forward name of CCBC officer to PCSO Watkins

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

There were no declarations of interest in items on the agenda.

Resolved: Noted

98. To receive any public representations to the Community Council

There were no members of the public in attendance.

Resolved: Noted

99. To receive Youth Ambassador reports

The Youth Ambassadors were not present at the meeting.

Resolved: Noted

100. To approve minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 24th September 2026 were approved as a true record.

Resolved: To approve previous minutes as a true record

101. To discuss Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

Resolved: Noted

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

The Chair reported that the next eco project event was on Friday and there would also be an even in February, to which the Future Generations Commissioner had been invited. He added that the events taking place throughout the autumn needed to be advertised and shared on social media. SJS said that a cost was being agreed with CCBC to cut back overgrowth so that the area could be planted upon. SJS asked for councillor engagement with regards to the event.

The Clerk presented an update on CIL spend.

Resolved: Noted

103. To approve quarterly financial statement

The quarterly financial statement was reviewed and approved.

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Resolved: To approve quarterly financial statement

104. To discuss items/issues brought up by Councillors

JD reported on a blocked drain and agreed to forward this issue to CCBC.

Resolved: JD to report blocked drain to CCBC

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

SLS reported that she had attended the Events Committee meeting. NO reported that he had attended the Events Committee and Finance Committee meetings. AW reported that he had attended a governors' meeting. JD reported that she had attended the Events and Finance Committee meetings and the Senghenydd Disaster Memorial. SJS reported that he had attended the Finance Committee, eco project events and the Senghenydd Disaster Memorial.

Resolved: Noted

106. To receive verbal reports from Chairs of committees

106.1 Events Committee held 12.10.26

The Chair of the committee reminded councillors that the Trecenydd Brunch with Santa would be taking place on 12th December and the Penyrheol Brunch with Santa on 13th December. The Community Christmas Tree of Life concert would be taking place on 27th November. So far, Hendre Primary School and Ysgol Ifor Bach had agreed to perform, along with Annalise and Harry Kidd. There would be no mascots this year at the brunches, but a magician would be going around the tables instead. Two facepainters had been booked and each child would receive a selection box off Santa. The Tree of Live concert tickets would be available to purchase at £3 each from Londis in Penyrheol and the Brunch with Santa tickets would be available at £1 from 6.00 - 7.00 pm before the November Council meeting. The ticket price would be refunded on attendance.

106.2 Finance Committee held on 15.10.26

The Chair of the Finance Committee reported that the committee had carried out a bank statement reconciliation, reviewed the quarterly financial statement. The committee had also reviewed the budget, to which there was no change recommended.

Resolved: Noted

107. To discuss planning applications

107.1 26/0611/CLPU - 24 Heol Cwarrel Clark Caerphilly CF83 2NE

- Obtain a Lawful Development Certificate for conversion of the existing integral garage into habitable accommodation, replacement of the garage door with a window, associated internal alterations and installation of a through-floor lift.

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107.2 26/0613/NCC - Red Dragon Padel Ltd Unit 12B Trecenydd Business Park, Trecenydd, Caerphilly CF83 2RZ
Vary conditions 4 (Hours of operation) & 5 (Noise insulation) of planning Consent 26/0011/COU (Change the use from Class 82 (light industrial) to use Class D2 (indoor sport), to allow operation as an indoor sports facility for Padel)

107.3 26/0623/HH - 77 Drum Tower View, Caerphilly CF83 2XJ
Erect conservatory to the rear of the property

107.4 26/0625/NCC - 1 Cae Pen-y-graig, Caerphilly CF83 2AD
Vary condition 01 (time to commence dev) of planning 2111038/FULL to extend the time limit for a further 5-year period

107.5 26/0633/FULL - Land to North Of Hendredenny Drive, Hendredenny, Caerphilly CF83 2UP
Erect 2 semi-detached two storey dwellings, off-street parking and associated works
Councillors agreed that this should go to the full planning committee. It appeared that there would be two properties on a small plot of land, close to other properties. The aesthetic look of the properties was a concern on the corner of a street. Councillors felt that there was not enough information available to make an informed decision. Clerk to send objection letter to CCBC.

Resolved: Clerk to send objection letter to CCBC regarding 107.5

108. To discuss correspondence received:

108.1 Email from Plot. Councillors agreed to try the system and GE agreed to add to the Council's website.

108.2 Email regarding Ysgol Gyfun Cwm Rhymni

Resolved: Noted

109. To discuss requests for grants

The following grant application was considered:

109.1 <u>Over 50s Club</u>

Councillors approved a grant of £250

Resolved: To approve a grant of £250

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110. To approve the following payments:

110.1 Clerk's salary – November 2026
110.2 Office allowance – November 2026
110.3 Clerk's pension – November 2026
110.4 Inland Revenue – November 2026

Resolved: To approve above payments

111. To agree items to be discussed at next meeting

Outdoor Christmas tree. Castell Maen housing development.

Resolved: Noted

112. To agree date of next Council meeting

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

The meeting was concluded at 8.10 pm.

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