



GELLIGAER COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Minutes of the ORDINARY FULL COUNCIL MEETING of Gelligaer Community Council
held on Wednesday 19th February 2020, 7.00pm at the Council Office,
Llwyn Onn, Penpedairheol.

PRESENT

Councillors: A Angel, D Cushing, W Griffiths, M James, T Parry (Vice Chair), and J Pritchard (Chair)
Clerk: C Mortimer

Chair Cllr Judith Pritchard warmly welcomed everyone to the meeting

168 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllrs C Bezzina, C David, W David and J Postians due to family commitments, Cllrs T Matthews and R Osborne due to sickness and Cllr S Milford due to work commitments.

169 Declarations of Interest

Councillors were reminded of their personal responsibility to declare any personal and/or prejudicial interest(s) in respect of any item of business on this agenda in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000, the Council's Constitution, and the Code of Conduct for both Councillors and Clerk.

Cllr Alan Angel declared an interest in minute no.188 Planning

170 Chairman's Announcements

Chair Cllr Judith Pritchard announced the following:

- An Executive Meeting of the Aneurin Bevan Community Health Council is taking place on Thursday 27th February at 10.30am at Raglan House, Llantarnam Business Park.
- Caerphilly County Borough Council (CCBC) have recently launched a #20Reasons campaign to encourage residents to foster children. Clerk had distributed posters onto our noticeboards and social media.
- CCBC have recently undertaken CCTV drainage surveys on the Pwllpant Roundabout hence the traffic management in place on the A469.
- Citizens Advice Bureau are providing advice and support surgeries to households affected by recent storms and flooding at:
Ystrad Mynach Library 20th February 9.30am - 1.00pm
Llanbradach Library 21st February 9.30am - 1.00pm

171 Minutes

Minutes of the **ORDINARY FULL COUNCIL** meeting held on **22nd January 2020** were received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

172 Matters Arising – there were none.

173 Finance

(i) Balance of Funds

'Balance of Funds' document was received approved and signed as an accurate record.

(ii) Reconciliation

Reconciliation document was received approved and signed as an accurate record.

174 Exclusion of Press and Public under section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960

RESOLVED: Council agreed by virtue of The Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 the press and public are excluded from the following items on the basis that disclosure of information would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business that needs to be transacted.

- 175 (i) Bank Statements (on pink paper)**
Bank statements no's 2,3,25 & 37 were received, approved and signed as an accurate record.
- 176 Financial Assistance 2019/20** – there were no applications received
- 177 Ystrad Mynach Toilets**
Members were requested to receive and consider approving:
- (i) Tenancy at Will – amended further to reflect the level of refurbishment work undertaken by the Community Council
RESOLVED: Council approved Tenancy at Wil
 - (ii) Contract / Agreement between Gelligaer Community Council and Gleam Cleaning Services
RESOLVED: Council approved the Contract/Agreement
- 178 Meeting re-opens to press and public**
- 179 Insurance 2020/21**
Insurance quotation from Zurich at a cost of £996.40 for 2020/21 was received and noted Last year Council received quotes from four different insurance providers. Zurich came in by far the most cost effective and with full comprehensive cover.
Council were requested to consider the offer of a 3 year or 5 year long term agreement as below:
1 year- £966.40
3 year- £957.23
5 year- £918.05
RESOLVED: Council approved a 5 year long term agreement.
- 180 Welsh Government – Appropriate Sum under Section 137(4)(A) of the Local Government Act 1972 Section 137 Expenditure: Limit for 2020-21**
Council received and noted notification that the appropriate sum for the purposes of section 137(4)(a) of the Local Government Act 1972 (the 1972 Act) for Community and Town Councils in Wales for 2020-21 is £8.32 (from £8.12 in 2019/20 and in line with the RTI increase of 2.4%).
- Section 137(1) of the 1972 Act permits each Community or Town Council to spend on activities for which it has no other specific powers if the Council considers that the expenditure is in the interests of and will bring direct benefit to the area or any part of it or all of some of its inhabitants, providing that the benefit is commensurate with the expenditure. Community and Town Councils are also permitted under section 137(3) to incur expenditure for certain charitable and other purposes. The maximum expenditure that can be incurred under both section 137(1) and (3) for the financial year 2020-21 will be £8.12 per elector.
13,789 electors (as at January 2020, CCBC) x £8.32 = £114,724.48
- 181 One Voice Wales (OVW) Membership for 2020/21**
Council received and noted
(i) OVW Membership letter
(ii) Schedule of frequently asked questions
RESOLVED: Council agreed to continue with OVW membership for 2020/21 at a cost of £2,710
- 182 Members Remuneration**
RESOLVED: Council agreed that as members' remuneration was subject to tax, payments would be processed through the payroll system.
- 183 Independent Remuneration Panel – Draft Supplementary Report**
(i) RESOLVED: Council received and approved The Principles in respect of the Reimbursement of Costs of Care (RoCoC)

184 Local Government & Elections (Wales) Bill – was received and noted.

185 Projects

(i) Project Summary, below: – was received and noted

ANNUAL 2019/20 PROJECTS

- 1 Intergenerational Luncheon - Lewis School Pengam for the 50+
To support the provision of luncheon club
£1,500
- 2 Christmas Lighting 2019
Erect Christmas lighting throughout all areas
£10,500
LGA 1972 s.144 (encourage tourism/visitors)
- 3 Ystrad Mynach Christmas Market
Contribution towards the Christmas market to ensure its continuity
Saturday 16th Nov 2019
£2,000
LGA 1972, s.145 (provision of entertainment, festivals & support of the arts)
- 4 Hanging Baskets at Ystrad Mynach
17.5 summer hanging basket throughout town plus 3 planters of flowers attached
Installation, watering, taking down and storage.
£3,840 LGA 1972 s.144 (encourage tourism/visitors)
- 5 Family Day Trip
Fund 5 x 49 seater coaches
(x1) Gelligaer Community Centre Sat 2nd Aug
(x1) Lindsay Club Sat 10th Aug 2019
(x1) Hengoed Community Centre Sat 10th Aug
(x1) TYB Primary Sun 4th Aug
LGA 1972 s.137 / LG (Wales) Measure 2011 (well-being power)
- 6 Pantomimes
(1) Penybryn Village Hall Wed 04/12/19 6.30pm
(2) Gelligaer Community Centre Mon 9/12/19 Dec 6.00pm
(3) Lyndsey Club Wed 11/12/19 5.30pm
(4) TYB Primary Thurs 12/12/19 6.30pm
(5) Lewis Girls Sunday Sun 15/12/19 2.30pm
(6) Glanynant Memorial Hall Sun 15 /12/19 7.00pm
(7) Hengoed Community Centre Mon 16/12/19 Dec 5.30pm
(8) Cascade Community Centre Thurs 19/12/19 5.30pm
LGA 1972, s.145 (provision of entertainment, festivals & support of the arts)
- 7 Presentation at Llancaiach
Presentation of Young Citizens and Community Service awards & grants to clubs (up to 10 nominees) 1,690
80 -100 volunteers invited
23rd November 2019 2.00 - 4.30pm
£1690 (funded with Chairman)
LGA 1972 s.137 / LG (Wales) Measure 2011 (well-being power)
- 8 Community Newsletter Issue - no. 10 (Summer/Autumn)
Spring/Summer & Autumn/Winter Art & print £1395 x 2; Distribution £485 x 2
LGA 1972 s.142

OTHER PROJECTS & COMMUNITY BENEFIT

- 9 Ceramic poppy - to frame and display at Derwendeg Primary Cost £150
- 10 Youth Centre, Cefn Hengoed - to refurbish toilets and painting of hall & cupboards £2,000
- 11 Cwm Calon – installation of notice board at the newly installed park and near f/path £1,200 plus installation costs of £250
- 12 Lewis Boys Pengam – to research WW1 Henry Edwards and clean grave at Hengoed Chapel estimated cost £500
- 13 Library, Ystrad Mynach – install a new notice board
- 14 Ystrad Mynach Public Toilets – Maintenance/cleaning for 5 months £3,395 (move item to annual projects in 2020/21 £8,148 for 12 months)
- 15 Glanynant Park – Supply bench at £245, assembly and installation cost tbc
- 16 Poppies - purchase 200 lamp post poppies and ties for various locations £363
- 17 Glanynant Garden – supply and install feeder pillar & installation of lights for November 2020 switch on £1,287 plus lights tbc
- 18 Christmas tree supply for Siloh - £100 for tree £80 to install
- 19 Memorial book for Cefn Hengoed - cost tbc

CIL PROJECTS

CIL1 Ystrad Mynach Toilets Refurbishment – Total spend £11,682

WHQS PROJECTS

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| WHQS 1 VAS Signs on junction of Glyngaer & Duffryn Park | £5,000 | 11/04/2019 |
| WHQS 2 1-21 Claerwen to create pathway on grassed area | | 03/04/2019 |
| WHQS 3 Black Ash Path - To resurface remaining half of path - Hengoed Avenue to New Road TYB | | |
| WHQS 4 The Walk by kissing gate – Tarmac | | |

(ii) Christmas lighting - to increase budget to include lights at Cwm Calon and any other areas
RESOLVED: Council agreed to increase the budget to include the conversion of 4 columns in Cwm Calon to site Christmas LED lighting figurines. Clerk and members to meet with residents of the Cwm Calon Association.

186 Vacancies: Minor Authority Representatives on the Board of Governors

Nominations are required for:

- Greenhill Primary School
- Ystrad Mynach Primary School

Members would continue to seek interest with local residents and traders.

187 Proposed Provision of disabled parking bay at 70 Hanbury Street, Glanynant

RESOLVED: Council supported the proposed disabled parking provision.

Cllr Alan Angel declared an interest in the next item and subsequently left the chamber, thus paying no part in the ensuing discussions.

188 Planning Applications

Planning applications were received and discussed.

It was noted that comments or enquiries are to be emailed to planadmin@caerphilly.gov.uk within 21 days of receipt of the email date.

Email: 31/01/2020

Case Ref. 20/0038/FULL Site Area: 902m²

Location: Gelliargwellt Uchaf Farm Gelligaer Road Gelligaer Hengoed CF82 8FY (UPRN 000043086592)

Proposal: Construct canopy over existing farm yard area

Case Officer: Mr C Boardman ☐ 01443 864674 ☐ boardc@caerphilly.gov.uk

Ward: St Cattwg Map Ref: 312485 (E) 196441 (N)

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council Expected Decision Level: Delegated

Comment: Cllr W Griffiths to make enquiries with Cllr W David.

Case Ref. 20/0049/TPO Site Area: 676m²

Location: Cwm-yr-allt House Cwm-Yr-Allt Lane Tir-y-berth Hengoed CF82 8AW (UPRN 000043084927)

Proposal: Carry out various works to trees T1032 - Beech, T1034 - Birch, T1006 - Oak, T1031 - Oak, T1033 - Birch and T1023 - Oak (Tree Preservation Orders 32/79/RVDC and 42/80/RVDC)

Case Officer: Mr J Cooke ☐ 01443 864347 ☐ cookej1@caerphilly.gov.uk

Ward: St Cattwg Map Ref: 314607 (E) 197358 (N)

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council Expected Decision Level: Delegated

RESOLVED: No objection

Case Ref. 20/0056/COU Site Area: 203m²

Location: Pierhead Buildings Jones Arcade Ystrad Mynach Hengoed CF82 7AX (UPRN 000043034068)

Proposal: Change the use from office accommodation to 6 No. 2 person 1 bedroom selfcontained

flats on first and second floor levels

Case Officer: Mr J Cooke ☐ 01443 864347 ☐ cookej1@caerphilly.gov.uk

Ward: Ystrad Mynach Map Ref: 314531 (E) 194356 (N)

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council Expected Decision Level: Delegated

RESOLVED: OBJECTION on the grounds of insufficient amenity space for green and brown bins and car parking spaces.

189 Next Ordinary Meeting Date: 25th March 2020

ADDENDUM – meeting scheduled for 25th March was cancelled due to Coronavirus outbreak and subsequent lockdown/self isolation..

Meeting Closed at 8.10pm

Signed: _____ Chair

Date: 24th June 2020