



**GELLIGAER COMMUNITY COUNCIL
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**Minutes of Full Council Meeting of Gelligaer Community Council
held on Wednesday 18th November 2015 at
Derwendeg Primary School Hall, Cefn Hengoed.**

PRESENT

Councillors: D Bolter, D Cushing, H David, W David, G Hughes, M James, T Matthews, T Parry (Chairman), J A Pritchard, N Quarry & G Roberts.

Clerk: C Mortimer

112 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr A Angel due to work commitments.

113 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Dennis Bolter declared an interest in minute no.126 (Planning)

Cllr Wynne David declared an interest in minute no.126 (Planning)

114 Chairman's Announcements

Chairman Cllr Teresa Parry announced the following:

- She had attended Tiryberth memorial service and laid wreath on behalf of Gelligaer Community Council.
Other members attended and laid wreaths at:
St Catwg's Church - Cllr H David & Cllr T Matthews
Ystrad Mynach cenotaph– Vice Chair Cllr D Cushing, Cllr A Angel, Cllr M James and C Mortimer, Clerk.
- Norgine Ltd , pharmaceutical company - A new £4.5million temperature controlled warehouse in Tiryberth was opened by Deputy Minister for Culture, Sport & Tourism, Mr Ken Skates. Cllr Teresa Parry and Cllr Judith Pritchard attended the opening.
- A thank you card had been received from the secretary of Gelligaer Community Centre in respect of funding.
- Cllr Teresa Parry read out an email received from Police Inspector Ian Muirhead, following the heinous attacks in Paris, reassuring local people that there is no intelligence to suggest that our area will be subject to any similar sort of attack, and that plans are in place in the unlikely event.

115 Minutes

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 21/10/2015 were confirmed and signed as an accurate record

116 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising

117 Current Financial Situation as at 11/11/2015

(i) Balance of Funds

Balance of Funds were received, confirmed and signed as an accurate record which included a list of authorised cheques. Chairman and vice signed.

(ii) Cheques

Chairman signed copied cheques

(iii) Reconciliation

Reconciled cheque list was received and signed by non-signatory member

Cllr Judith Pritchard arrives at the meeting

(iv) Bank Statements

Bank Statement no's 11, 10, 9, 8, 73, 72, 83 & 29 were received and signed by non-signatory member

(v) Financial Statement April 2015 to October 2015

Members noted actual spend to date against budget headings, Chairman signed.

Members Resolved:

(a) Financial Assistance – due to increase in spend and anticipated spend to 31st March 2016, as a result of all applications received to date and anticipated applications, council agreed to vire £4k financed from additional income received, to increase Financial Assistance budget heading from £8k to £12k

(b) Projects – if all agreed requests for project funding are paid before the end of the financial year the budget will be exceeded by approximately £14k, and the council may want to consider further requests for project funding up to the 31st March 2016. Therefore following the clerks recommendation, council agreed to finance any additional project funding up to £20k from the councils balances of approximately £32.5k

118 Financial Assistance

(i) Cascaid Community Action Group Application No. 25

It was RESOLVED that £300 be granted to Cascaid Community Action Group

119 Caerphilly County Borough Council - School meal

Correspondence was noted. Members that serve as governors on local primary schools were reminded to advertise and encourage parents to apply for free school meals, and could save around **£580** per year if they qualify. Accessing free school meals also allows parents to receive a grant of **£105** when their child moves from primary to secondary school. **In addition schools receive £1050 additional funding for every child registered for school meals.** Clerk will put this item into the newsletter.

Parents and carers can claim online at www.caerphilly.gov.uk or get advice by contacting Catering Services on 01443 864055 or email: catering@caerphilly.gov.uk

120 Welsh Government update for Community & Town Councils October 2015

This item was noted

121 Ombudsman Wales - The Ombudsman Casebook – Issue 12

The latest edition of The Ombudsman's Casebook was noted and is now available on the links below:

English: <http://www.ombudsman-wales.org.uk/en/publications/The-Ombudsmans-Casebook.aspx>

Cymraeg: <http://www.ombudsman-wales.org.uk/cy-GB/publications/The-Ombudsmans-Casebook.aspx>

This edition contains summaries of reports issued by the Ombudsman between July 2015 and September 2015, with lessons learnt focusing on the quality of end of life care in Wales.

122 Caerphilly's Budget Challenge – this item is deferred until December's meeting

Residents across the Caerphilly county borough are being given the chance to have their say on proposals to deliver over £12.4million in council savings next year (2016/17).

On Wednesday 14th October Caerphilly county borough council's Cabinet agreed a list of draft savings for the next financial year and these are now be subject to a period of widespread public consultation. The proposals also include a 3.9% increase in Council Tax for 2016/17.

The budget consultation runs for 12 weeks, from: Monday 19th October - 8th January 2016

An online survey is now available on the CCBC website

(www.caerphilly.gov.uk/budgetchallenge) and the following face-to-face sessions will take place across the area over the coming weeks:

- Tuesday 17th November - Ystrad Mynach Library (2-6pm)

- Wednesday 18th November - Caerphilly Library (2-6pm)
- Monday 23rd November - Risca Palace (2-6pm)
- Thursday 26th November - Hafod Deg, Rhymney (10.30am-1pm)
- Tuesday 8th December – Abertridwr Library (2-5pm)
- Wednesday 9th December - Nelson Library (2-5pm)

123 **Project Update**

- (i) Pantomime – posters have been displayed in shops, noticeboards and website and tickets are selling well. An announcement will be made at the Christmas fayre.
- (ii) Ystrad Mynach Christmas Fayre – Cllrs: J Pritchard, T Parry & D Cushing will make themselves available to assist during the day if required.
- (iii) Christmas Lighting – Council ratified additional spend of £53 to insure all figurines and rope lights and public liability. Cost of £126.46 for 2016/17
- (iv) **School solar project** - Meetings have been held with Procurement services to develop the tender and contract for the work.
The tender has been issued and will remain open until December 4th 2015.
All submissions will be reviewed during the week commencing December 7th to start the process of awarding a contract. This will include an evaluation of election/award tenders, Health & Safety/ Insurance checks and a few procurement procedures.
Once the contract has been awarded the Community Council will need to agree the scale of the work based on the costs for the surveys and installations.
The work will then be undertaken between January and March 2016.
- (v) Derwendeg Primary School – Council ratified additional spend of £466 to connect supply to tree, transformer and lights
- (vi) Floral hanging baskets and rail planters – Council Resolved to accept costs of £2,164 for 2016/17 which includes planting and installing 28 half round baskets, 3 rail planters and watering from 30/05/2015 – 18/09/2015
- (vii) **Project Summary – was received and discussed:**

Project No. 362 Community Benefit – Solar Schools

Work: Supply & Install solar panels as gift to 3 schools – Glyngaer primary, Hengoed primary & YGG Bro Allta plus asbestos & structural surveys to all 8 primary schools.
Cost: £33,000

Project No. 361 Community Benefit – write & publish children’s book

Work: Community 1st to work with families to write local book for children (bilingual)
Cost: £5,000

Project No. 360 Community Benefit – Compost toilet

Work: Install disabled toilet at Parc Penallta suitable for all to use
Cost: £4,000

Project No. 359 Cefn Hengoed Youth Centre

Work: Install showers for footballers
Cost: £2,000 (plus area forum monies £9,000)

Project No. 358 Glanynant

Work: Supply & Install green loop fencing remaining stretch near Glanynant Memorial Hall.
Cost: £6,000 (plus area forum monies £4228)

Project No. 357 Siloh Christian Centre Ystrad Mynach

Work: Develop small garden to the rear (phase 1)
Cost: £545

Project No. 356 Cascade Methodist Church

Work: Install e external doors and new signage
Cost: £2,161, pledged £2500

Project No. 355 Christmas Lighting throughout area

Work: Install 63 figurines, dress 7 trees, curtain of lights.

Cost: £4,286 plus £1166 for supply & lighting tree at Derwendeg primary

Project No. 354 Heath Messages in Local Surgeries

Work: Install TV monitors to display health messages in Gelligaer & Oakfield surgeries

Cost: £777

Project No.353 Ystrad Mynach Christmas Market

Work: Contribution towards the Christmas market to ensure its continuity.

Cost: £1,500

Project No. 352 Bethel Evangelical Church, Gelligaer

Work: To improve disabled access and DDA W/C

Cost: £2,500

Project No. 351 Roman Fort Welsh Guide Books

Work: Design and print 200 books in readiness for the Eisteddfod

Cost: £835

Project No. 350 – Community Notice Board

Work: Supply & install notice board o/s Magnum Stores, Cefn Hengoed for the community to use and for the community Council to display items of interest.

Cost: £1167

Project No. 348 – Youth Club, Cefn Hengoed

Work: Rebuild/refurbishment centre.

Cost: £ 3,520 (fee for technical services)

Project No. 345 - Women's refuge

Work: to improve the interior to make more homely & welcoming for women & children. Inventory of items/works has been drawn up

Cost of printing: £330 for Welcome Packs for Gilfach & £330 on mattresses for Ystrad Mynach

Project No. 343 Ystrad Mynach Primary School Centenary Mosaic

Work: Artists to work with children in designing and installing a mosaic in the grounds

Cost: £2,000

Project No. 342 Hanging Baskets at Ystrad Mynach

Work: Supply & fit 12 summer hanging baskets throughout the town plus planter on railings to the front of Pier Head building & daily watering

Cost: £3,406

Project No.336 Motorbike Inhibitor between f/path on Hospital Road

Work: Install Motorbike Inhibitor Cost: £950

Project No.335 Day trip to the beach for families

Work: 2 coaches from each community 1st ward (i) Gelligaer (ii) Tiryberth (iii) Hengoed & Cefn Hengoed, to transport families for a day out to Porthcawl

Cost: £1,950

Project No. 330 Bands in the Park

Work: Bands in the Park 2015 at Tiryberth Park and Ystrad Mynach Park. Cost: £692

Project No. 228 Pantomimes 2015

Work: Arrange 7 pantomimes at 6 venues (1) Tiryberth Primary

(2) Gelligaer Community Centre (3) Lindsay Club (4) Hengoed Community Centre (5) Ystrad Mynach x 2 (Lewis Girls) & Penybryn Cost: £4,000

Project No. 222: Tiryberth Memorial

Work: Hard standing & pathway completed. Names of fallen are required for inscriptions on the granite. Member has made enquiries and awaiting information from Mike Headington. CCBC's Bereavement Officer.

Project No. 218: Wild Flower Sowing

Work: sowing/planting at: (1) Tiryberth park banking
(2) by The Cross P/H (3) on triangular section of grass near Derwendeg Primary
(4) in the verge past the entrance and R/A to Brynsiriol estate Cost: £1,250

Project No. 212: Bi-annual Gelligaer Young Citizens Award

Work: Presentation for good deeds within the community
Cost: £205 Next event: tbc

Project No. 167: Gelligaer Community Newsletter

Work: Newsletter 2015/16 – clerk has started the newsletter
Cost: £1150 & distribution costs

124 Politicians in Planning Association (PIPA)

Correspondence was noted from CCBC in relation to PIPA holding Welsh specific events and members expressed an interest in attending..

125 CCBC Hengoed Prohibition & Restriction of Waiting Order 2015

To receive notice and plans for the following:

Prohibit waiting at any time from the road narrowing adjacent 7/8 Chapel Terrace to a point 10m south of the north boundary of 6 Chapel Terrace to prevent obstructive parking.

Prohibit waiting at any time at the junction and opposite the lay by from the north boundary of 2 Gelligaer Road to the boundary of 16 and 18 Hengoed Avenue to prevent obstructive parking.

Any objection to the proposed Order with the grounds for making it should be made in writing to by 27th November 2015

This item was discussed and noted.

Cllr Dennis Bolter & Cllr Wynne David declared an interest in the next item and subsequently left the meeting, thus playing no part in the ensuing discussions.

126 Planning Applications

Case Ref. 15/0686/ADV Site Area: 160m²

Location: 8 Commercial Street Ystrad Mynach Hengoed CF82 7DX

Proposal: Erect illuminated fascia sign

Applicant: Mr J Saravanauthu 8 Commercial Street Ystrad Mynach Hengoed CF82 7DX

Agent: Mr G Humphreys 53 Twyn Road Llanfach Abercarn

Case Officer: Mrs R Amundson ☐01495 235120☐amundrh@caerphilly.gov.uk

Ward: Ystrad Mynach Map Ref: 314563 (E) 194311 (N) Target Date: 23.12.2015

Expected Decision Level: Delegated

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council – NO OBJECTION

Case Ref. 15/1102/RET Site Area: 14474m²
Location: The Old Rectory, Rectory Road Gelligaer Hengoed CF82 8FX
Proposal: Retain the conversion of the existing 5 bedroom rectory into two separate three bedroom terraced properties and change the use of the existing day nursery into a three bedroom single-storey dwelling
Applicant: POC Investments Ltd Mr S Darling Alexandra House Colliery Road Llanbradach Caerphilly CF83 3QQ
Agent: RS Green Associates Mr R Green 1 Fields Park Lane Newport NP20 5BU
Case Officer: Mrs M Davies 01495 235227 daviem2@caerphilly.gov.uk
Ward: St Cattwg Map Ref: 313443 (E) 197180 (N) Target Date: 31.12.2015
Expected Decision Level: Delegated
Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council – NO OBJECTION

Case Ref. 15/0710/RET Site Area: 710m²
Location: Jalna 26 The Walk Ystrad Mynach Hengoed CF82 7AH
Proposal: Retain boundary fence
Applicant: Mrs L Northwood Jalna 26 The Walk Ystrad Mynach Hengoed CF82 7AH
Case Officer: Mr C Boardman 01495 235037 boardc@caerphilly.gov.uk
Ward: Hengoed Map Ref: 314582 (E) 194702 (N) Target Date: 01.01.2016
Expected Decision Level: Delegated
Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council – NO OBJECTION

Case Ref. 15/1111/FULL Site Area: 304m²
Location: 13 Tredomen Terrace Tredomen Hengoed CF82 7BW
Proposal: Erect a two-storey rear extension
Applicant: Mr D Horley 13 Tredomen Terrace Tredomen Hengoed CF82 7BW
Agent: Mr R W Jones 14 Brynsiriol The Avenue Ystrad Mynach Hengoed CF82 8BA
Case Officer: Mr A Pyne 01495 235197 pynea@caerphilly.gov.uk
Ward: Ystrad Mynach Map Ref: 313753 (E) 194388 (N) Target Date: 01.01.2016
Expected Decision Level: Delegated
Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council – NO OBJECTION

The meeting closed at 8.30 pm

Signed: _____ Chairman