



## GELLIGAER COMMUNITY COUNCIL CYNGOR CYMUNED GELLIGAER

**Minutes of Ordinary Full Council Meeting of Gelligaer Community Council  
Wednesday 20th July 2016 7.30pm, Council Office, Llwyn Onn, Penpedairheol.**

### **PRESENT**

Councillors: D Cushing (Chairman), W Griffiths, G Hughes, M James (Vice Chairman), T Parry, J Pritchard & N Quarry.

Clerk to the Council: Ceri Mortimer

### **34 Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllr A Angel & Cllr G Roberts due to work commitments, and Cllr D Bolter due to family commitments.

### **35 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 Graham Hughes declared an interest in minute no. 40 (iii)

Cllr Donna Cushing declared an interest in minute no. 40 (iv)

Cllr Martyn James declared an interest in minute no.45 (a)

### **36 Chairman's Announcements**

**Cllr Donna Cushing announced the following:**

- On the 29<sup>th</sup> June she presented a cheque to the sum of £100 at the Caerphilly County Borough Council Mayor's Charity Appeal in support of Velindre Cancer Centre.
- Cllr Teresa Parry and the Clerk would be attending Cylch Meithryn's (Penpedairheol) family fun and open day on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July at 10am. All members welcome.

### **37 Minutes**

Minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on **22/06/2016** were received, approved and signed by the Chairman as an accurate record.

### **38 Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising

### **39 Current Financial Situation as at 14/07/2016**

#### **(i) Balance of Funds**

The current 'Balance of Funds' document, which includes a list of authorised cheques, direct debits and debit card payments were received, approved and signed by the Chairman and Vice Chair.

#### **(ii) Cheques & Debit Card Payments**

Chairman received, approved and signed copied cheques and debit card receipts.

#### **(iii) Reconciliation**

'Reconciliation' document was received, approved and signed by non-signatory Member.

**(iv) Bank Statements**

Bank statement no's 23, 81, 30 & 85 were received, approved and signed by non-signatory member.

**(V) Model Financial Regulations**

Members noted that One Voice Wales have recently released Model Financial Regulations for Community and Town Councils to adopt. The Clerk will review and present to Council in September / October 2016.

**40 Financial Assistance**

**(i) Bargoed & District Art Society Application no. 13**

Resolved: £ 200 be granted to Bargoed & District Art Society (cheque to be presented at Presentation)

**(ii) Eisteddfod y Cymoedd Application no. 14**

Resolved: £ 250 be granted to Eisteddfod y Cymoedd

*Cllr Graham Hughes declared an interest in the next item and therefore left the chamber playing no part in the ensuing discussions.*

**(iii) Pengam Pigeon FC Application no. 15**

Resolved: £ 250 be granted to Pengam Pigeon FC

*Cllr Graham Hughes returned to the chamber*

*Cllr Donna Cushing declared an interest in the next item and therefore left the chamber playing no part in the ensuing discussions.*

*Cllr Martyn James chaired the next item.*

**(iv) The Melody Makers Application no. 16**

Resolved: £ 400 be granted to The Melody Makers (cheque to be presented at Presentation)

*Cllr Donna Cushing returned to the chamber and chaired the meeting.*

**(v) Rhymney Valley Music Club Application no. 17**

Resolved: £ 300 be granted to Rhymney Valley Music Club (cheque to be presented at Presentation)

**(vi) Tredomen Allotment Association Application no. 18**

Resolved: £ 300 be granted to Tredomen Allotment Association (cheque to be presented at Presentation)

**(vi) Ystrad Mynach OAP's Application no. 19**

Resolved: £ 300 be granted to Ystrad Mynach OAP's (cheque to be presented at Presentation)

**(vii) Gelligaer Historical Society Application no. 20 £200**

Resolved: £ 200 be granted to Gelligaer Historical Society (cheque to be presented at Presentation)

**41 Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) 2015/16**

Members noted correspondence received in relation to CIL for 2015/16 amounting to £800  
Members resolved that item be deferred whereby they decide how the £800 is to be spent (i.e. Parks or Highways etc.) and CCBC being notified by October 2016  
Total sum must be spent by July/August 2021.

## 42 **Gwent Police & Crime Commissioner (PCC) Mr Jeff Cuthbert**

### **(i) Police & Crime Priorities/Objectives**

Members received and discussed the 4 Police & Crime Priorities/Objectives and made the following observations for putting forward to the PCC:

- a) Unresolved speeding issues on Gelligaer Road and Derwendeg Avenue, Cefn Hengoed
- b) Drug and alcohol misuse around the public toilets in Ystrad Mynach and to the top of Griffiths Street, Ystrad Mynach
- c) Ongoing parking issues in Ystrad Mynach town centre.

### **(ii) Joined Up Working**

Cllr Donna Cushing, Cllr Teresa Parry and Cllr Martyn were nominated to attend a meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> September 2016 6pm at CCBC, Council Chambers, Ty Penallta with PCC Mr Jeff Cuthbert.

**(iii) Gwent Now: In it to win it** – this item was noted and will appear under the “Projects Summary” listing for 2016/17.

Closing date to claim for funding 4pm Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2016 from PCC Mr Jeff Cuthbert’s Partnership Fund.

## 43 **CCBC Passenger & Transport Information Officer, Mr Alex Clarke: Revision of Bus Services from Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> July and Monday 1<sup>st</sup> August 2016**

Correspondence received in relation to changes to the service was noted.

## 44 **The Caerphilly YOU Want Workshops**

Correspondence in relation to wellbeing workshops held throughout the borough was noted. Local people and members are invited to comment on transport links, employment, health, mental health, loneliness whatever you want to raise at Siloh Christian Centre, Ystrad Mynach Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2016, 10.00am – 1.00pm. Booking is required on a first come first served basis. Light refreshments. Contact Vicki Doyle by Email: [doylevm@caerphilly.gov.uk](mailto:doylevm@caerphilly.gov.uk) Telephone: 01443 235141 or Post Corporate Policy Unit, CCBC, Ty Penallta, Tredomen Park, Ystrad Mynach CF82 7PG

## 45 **Projects**

*Cllr M James declared an interest in the next item and therefore left the chamber playing no part in the ensuing discussions*

### **(a) Project No. 354**

RESOLVED: RAS Electrical Services to undertake electrical installation at Gelligaer Surgery for the health monitor.

*Cllr M James returned to the chamber*

### **(b) Project No. 365**

RESOLVED: Clerk to contact Welsh Hearts re: suitable cabinet, possible funding and ongoing maintenance of defibrillator.

### **(c) Project No. 366**

RESOLVED: To fund £1,500 towards the memorial and to recommend the use of natural stone as opposed to marble granite.

### **(i) Project Summary**

#### **Project No. 365 Defibrillator at Ystrad Mynach town centre o/s the library**

Work: Donated Defibrillator to be installed. Cabinet to be purchased & installed.

Cost: £800 (estimated)

#### **Project No. 364 ABC Gelligaer District Boxing Club,**

Work: Supply & install new roof

Cost: £4,200

**Project No. 363 Bus Shelter o/s Derwendeg Primary School**

Work: Supply & install bus shelter

Cost: £5,000

**Project No. 362 Community Benefit – Solar Schools**

Work: Supply & Install solar panels as gift to all 8 primary schools, plus asbestos & structural surveys.

Cost: £33,000 2015/16 & £13,000 2016/17

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

Work: Community 1<sup>st</sup> to work with families to write local book for children (bilingual) English version printed awaiting Welsh version and book marks.

Cost: £5,000

**Project No. 360 Community Benefit – Compost toilet**

Work: Install disabled toilet at Parc Penallta suitable for all to use

Cost: £8,000

**Project No. 359 Cefn Hengoed Youth Centre**

Work: Showers have been installed 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: £9,272 (plus area forum monies £4228)

**Project No. 355 Christmas Lighting throughout area**

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

Cost: £4,286

**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 2016**

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

Cost: £2,000

**Project No. 348 – Youth Club, Cefn Hengoed**

Work: Rebuild/refurbishment centre.

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

**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.335 Family Day Trip**

Work: 2 coaches from each community 1<sup>st</sup> ward (i) Sat 06/08/16 Tiryberth (two coaches) (ii) Sun 07/08/16 Gelligaer (iii) Sun13/08/16 Hengoed & Cefn Hengoed, to transport families for a day out to Barry Island Cost: £1,620

**Project No. 330 Bands in the Park/Town**

Work: Bands in the Park 2016 Ystrad Mynach Park. Cost: £281

**Project No. 228 Pantomimes 2016 – Little Red Riding Hood**

Work: Coordinate pantomime performances at 6 venues:

- (i) Penybryn Village Hall Wed 30<sup>th</sup> Nov 6.30pm
- (ii) Gelligaer Community Centre Mon 5<sup>th</sup> Dec 6.00pm
- (iii) Lindsay Club Wed 7<sup>th</sup> Dec 5.30pm
- (iv) Tiryberth Primary Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> Dec 6.30pm
- (v) Hengoed Community Centre Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December 5.30pm
- (vi) Cascade Community Centre Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> Dec 5.30pm
- (vii) Lewis Girls, Ystrad Mynach Sun 18<sup>th</sup> Dec 2.00pm

Cost: £4,095 (plus £100 for stage at Penybryn)

**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 - 3 nominees accepted for Nov 2016

Cost: £205 Next event: tbc

**Project No. 167: Gelligaer Community Newsletter**

Work: Newsletter

Cost: £1150 & distribution costs

**New Project: Cefn Hengoed Memorial**

Work: Install a memorial in Cefn Hengoed.

Cost: tbc Ward member to make enquiries as to location. Clerk will forward details of Mike Headington to member.

**New Project: Memorial in memory of footballer Mr Graham Moore**

Work: Install memorial

Cost: £1,500

**46 Wellbeing of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 – Presentation at CCBC Ty Penallta Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2016 at 6.30pm**

(i) To receive Statutory Guidance for Community & Town Councils.

As the Act is not a statutory requirement to Gelligaer Community Council as our gross income or expenditure was less than £200,000 for each of the three financial years preceding the year in which the local well-being plan was published, we are listed as partners with which the Local Service Board will work.

Therefore whether duty bound or not all community and town councils are encouraged to get involved as we all have an important role to play in improving the well-being of our areas.

Cllr Teresa Parry and the Clerk will attend as Community Council representatives, Cllr Judith Pritchard as County Member.

**47 Ombudsman Annual Report 2015/16**

Correspondence and Annual Report was received and noted – hard copy of the report is available at the office.

There was a decrease (4%) in public body complaints. But within this, complaints about NHS bodies rose by 4% and disappointingly the code of conduct complaints rose by 19%

**48 Welsh Government: Draft Local Government (Wales) Bill and Explanatory Memorandum (i) Local Government Review Programme**

Correspondence noted from the WG thanking the Community Council for responding to the Consultation. A hard copy of the “Summary of Response” is available at the office or on the Welsh Government website

[Welsh Government | Draft Local Government \(Wales\) Bill and Explanatory Memorandum](#)

**(ii) Welsh Government Written Statement by Mark Drakeford, Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local Government**

Correspondence received & noted, also available on the Welsh Government website

[Welsh Government | Cabinet Statements 2016](#)

**49 Welsh Government Written Statement by Mark Drakeford, Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local Government Re; Local Elections and Electoral Arrangements**

Received and noted, a 5 year term to be served from 2017 - 2022.

**50 Fly a Flag for the Commonwealth – 13<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

This item was noted.

**51 Planning Applications**

There were no objections to the following applications:

Case Ref. 16/0534/TPO Site Area: 36m<sup>2</sup>

Location: 5 Tyla-Gwyn Penpedairheol Hengoed CF82 8HE

Proposal: Carry out tree management works, including 20% - 25% reduction

Applicant: Mr J Simmons 5 Tyla - Gwyn Duffryn Park Estate Hengoed CF82 8HE

Agent: G.R Tree Services Mr G Richards 2 Clos Cae Pwll Nelson Treharris Caerphilly

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

Ward: St Cattwg Map Ref: 313831 (E) 197632 (N) Target Date: 15.08.2016

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council Expected Decision Level: Delegated

RESOLVED: NO OBJECTION

Case Ref. 16/0511/FULL Site Area: 3311m<sup>2</sup>

Location: Chevler Ltd Enterprise House 2 Tir-y-berth Industrial Estate New Road Tir-y-berth

Proposal: Fit 74.8kW of solar PV panels onto an existing commercial roof

Applicant: Chevler Ltd Mr S Whelan Chevler Ltd Enterprise House 2 Tir-y-berth Industrial Estate New Road Tir-y-berth Hengoed

Agent: Energy Squirrel Ltd Mr J Kenney Kingsdown Ricketts Hill Road Tatsfield Wertherham

Case Officer: Miss E Rowley 01495 235271 rowlee@caerphilly.gov.uk

Ward: Hengoed Map Ref: 315269 (E) 196523 (N) Target Date: 12.08.2016

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council Expected Decision Level: Delegated

RESOLVED:NO OBJECTION

Case Ref. 16/0513/CLPU Site Area: 6863m<sup>2</sup>

Location: Llancaiach House Shingrig Road Nelson Treharris Caerphilly County Borough

Proposal: Obtain a Lawful Development Certificate for the proposed alternate vehicular access including the forming of an opening in the existing wall and proposed side walls leading to an access gate positioned off the existing track

Applicant: Mr R Perry Llancaiach House Shingrig Road Nelson Treharris Caerphilly

Agent: GAP Architectural & Engineering Design Services Mr S Hiles Nythfa Bedwlyn Road Ystrad Mynach CF82 7AB

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

Ward: St Cattwg Map Ref: 311318 (E) 196188 (N) Target Date: 17.08.2016

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council Expected Decision Level: Delegated

RESOLVED: NO OBJECTION

**The meeting closed at 9.00 pm**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Chairman Date: 21<sup>st</sup> September 2016