



GELLIGAER COMMUNITY COUNCIL

**Minutes of Full Council Meeting of Gelligaer Community Council
held on Wednesday 23 September 2015 at
Gelligaer Community Council Office, Council Chamber, Llwyn Onn, Penpedairheol.**

PRESENT

Councillors: D Bolter, D Cushing, H David, W David, W Griffiths, M James, T Matthews, J A Pritchard, N Quarry and G Roberts.

Clerk: Ceri Mortimer

In Attendance: Mr P Cooke, CCBC Sustainable Development Team Leader & Police Inspector Ian Muirhead

Vice Chairman, Cllr Donna Cushing chaired the meeting in the chairman's absence, and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

69 Community Benefit Grant

Mr Paul Cooke, CCBC's Sustainable Development Team Leader presented several project proposals to council. Following much discussion around funding solar panels on schools and other environmental projects it was decided that an Extraordinary meeting be called for Thursday 8th October at 6.00pm. In the meantime the clerk would obtain legal advice in relation to claiming FIT's and 'gifting' schools.

*Vice Chairman, Cllr Donna Cushing thanked Mr. Paul Cooke for his presentation.
Mr. Cooke subsequently left the chamber*

70 Police Inspector Ian Muirhead

Police Inspector Muirhead reported that crime was below average between February – August. However burglaries for this area were up, sheds being targeted in particular. There had been 6 arrests with 3 remanded in custody in relation to these offences.

Members raised a few concerns, in relation to parking in Ystrad Mynach town centre, commercial 7.5 tonne vehicles parking in residential streets, noisy vehicles, parking in a bus stop which prevents buses from stopping and drug use.

Inspector Muirhead stated that he does encourage his officers to act if they see an offence being committed and to patrol more when it's possible.

He would look into some of the member's issues and report back to the clerk.

*Vice Chairman, Cllr Donna Cushing thanked Insp. Muirhead for his update.
Insp. Muirhead subsequently left the chamber*

71 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr A P Angel due to work commitments, Cllr G Hughes & Cllr T Parry (Chairman) due to sickness.

72 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Dennis Bolter declared an interest in minute no. 89 (Planning)

Cllr Hefin David declared an interest in minute no. 78 (iii) (Shelter Cymru)

Cllr Wynne David declared an interest in minute no. 78 (iii) (Shelter Cymru) & minute no. 89 (Planning)

73 Chairman's Announcements

Vice Chairman, Cllr Donna Cushing announced the following:

- Friday 25th September 7.30pm, Bargoed Open Air Cinema on
- Tuesday 29th September 1.30pm, Neuadd St Catwg Community Hall 'Castles of North Wales' Speaker : Dr John Kenyon
- Saturday 3rd October 12.15 Invitation to Tiryberth Village Hall Opening, Cllr Judith Pritchard to attend
- Thank you card and letters had been received from Julie Davies, Secretary of Gelligaer Community Centre & Mrs Jan Drayton of Hengoed Community Centre in respect of successful day trips to the beach.

74 Minutes

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 22/07/2015 were confirmed and signed as an accurate record

75 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising

76 Current Financial Situation as at 14/09/2015

(i) Balance of Funds

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

(ii) Cheques

Chairman of the meeting received, Cllr Donna Cushing signed copied cheques

(iii) Reconciliation

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

(iv) Bank Statements

Bank Statement no's 71, 70,7,6,5,4,82 and 29 were received and signed by non-signatory member

77 External Auditors Certificate in respect of the Annual Return for the year ended 31st March 2015

Correspondence and a signed External Audit Certificate (Section 3, page 4) of the Annual Return were received, which confirmed:

'On the basis of our review, in our opinion, the information contained in the Annual Return is in accordance with proper practices and no matters have come to our attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met'.

The clerk will display a notice of conclusion of audit and right to inspect the Annual Return on our 3 notice boards o/s the office, Magnum Stores and on Siloh square for a minimum of 14 days, from the 24th September 2015, along with the certified Annual Return (with Section 1- 3 visible). Also, a copy of the notice and Annual Return will remain on the website indefinitely.

The original Annual Return and notice will be displayed on the internal board of the council building.

78 Financial Assistance

- (i) Cascade Crafters Application No.16
It was RESOLVED that £200 be granted to Cascade Crafters
- (ii) Cascade Luncheon Club Application No. 17
It was RESOLVED that £100 be granted to Cascade Luncheon Club

Cllr Hefin David & Cllr Wynne David declared an interest in the next item and played no part in the ensuing discussions.

- (iii) Shelter Cymru Application No.18
It was RESOLVED that £400 be granted to Shelter Cymru

Cllr Hefin David & Cllr Wynne David returned to discussions.

- (iv) Cylch Meithrin Penpedairheol Application No.19
It was RESOLVED that £250 be granted to Cylch Meithrin, Penpedairheol
- (v) Gelligaer Local History Appreciation Society Application No. 20
It was RESOLVED that £200 be granted to Gelligaer Local History Appreciation Society

79 Post Office Decision – New Premises & Modernisation

It was noted that proposals to move the Post Office branch at Castle Hill to Morgan Thomas Butchers was proceeding.

80 Your Bus Matters – Ystrad Mynach Library on Wednesday 7th October 10.00am – 1.00pm

A Caerphilly County Borough Council consultation with local residents to discuss issues or changes that could be incorporated into future timetables was noted.

The clerk will send details of the consultation to all OAP Associations and will advertise details on our 3 external notice boards.

81 Over 50+ Forum's 10th Anniversary at Lewis School Pengam

Invitation to all residents to a FREE celebratory event on Thursday 1st October 2015 5.00 – 7.00pm, buffet & entertainment, was noted

To book a place call Carol Hemmings on 07881938837 or email hemmingsca@tiscali.co.uk

The clerk will send details of the event to all OAP's and will advertise details on our 3 external boards.

82 Aneurin Bevan University Health Board

Correspondence re: engagement was noted

83 One Voice Wales – Conference & AGM on Saturday 3rd October 2015

- (i) Agenda for the conference and further details (9.30am – 2.00pm) was noted, Cllr Donna Cushing would attend
- (ii) Nine motions were considered for the AGM (starts at 2.15pm) – one vote per council. It was noted that:
It was REOLVED that Motions 1, 2, 4, 5 (i) & (ii), 6 & 9 be supported, Motions 3 & 7 not be supported and an abstention in relation to Motion 8

Cllr Gethin Roberts and Cllr Hefin David gave their apologies and left the chamber

84 Welsh Government - Draft Directions to the Local Democracy and Boundary for Wales – THIS ITEM WAS DEFERRED UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING

85 Welsh Government – From 1st December this year, organ donation is changing in Wales

It was noted that under the new system, unless you register a clear decision that you do not want to be an organ donor, then you will be treated as having no objections to donating your organs after death.

86 Standards Conference Wales Tuesday 20th October 2015

This item was noted.

87 Projects

(i) Ystrad Mynach Christmas Market/Fayre

Following a recent event meeting with Ystrad Mynach Community Partnership and CCBC the clerk requested council to consider and resolve the following:

(a) It was RESOLVED that the community council take on the remaining balance in the Ystrad Mynach Partnership's account, and hold it for Ystrad Mynach.

The partnership is to meet to agree that the money be held by the community council. Cllr Martyn James is looking to have the accounts audited before handing over.

(b) It was RESOLVED that the community council take on the insurance of this event adding it its own at no extra cost.

(c) The clerk has received an email regarding area forum monies for Ystrad Mynach and has emailed Regeneration in an attempt to secure £1800 for a 2016/17 Christmas market.

Cascade area forum monies for 2015/16 will be secured for the installation of fencing. Member to provide clerk with further information i.e costs.

(d) Following a site meeting at Siloh Square, a different layout of the stalls were agreed so that all retailers feel included. The stage too will go against the Premier wall leaving the Siloh square open to accommodate a few stalls and a seating area to the front of the stage.

(ii) **Newsletter** – this was briefly discussed. Members were requested to submit anything of interest

(iii) **Cascade Methodist Church** – Signage & Entrance Doors
It was RESOLVED to fund up to £2,500

(iv) **Siloh Centre** – Gardens

It was RESOLVED to fund Stage 1 of the garden development at a cost of £545

(v) **Container at Tiryberth** – we are awaiting a spell of fine weather to enable the lorry to access and move the container on the grass

(vi) **Women's Refuge**

It was RESOLVED that mattresses be purchased in place of welcome packs at Gilfach.

(vii) **Day Trip** – to discuss again

(viii) **Arts Council for Wales** – this item was noted

(ix) **Project Summary**

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 to be undertaken: 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 to be undertaken: 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 to be undertaken: Install Motorbike Inhibitor Cost: £950

Project No.335 Day trip to the beach for families

Work to be undertaken: 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

Works to be undertaken: Bands in the Park 2015 at Tiryberth Park and Ystrad Mynach Park.

Cost: £692

Project No. 228 Pantomimes 2015

Work to be undertaken: To arrange Pantos at (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 to be undertaken: Hard standing & pathway completed. Names of fallen are required for inscriptions on the granite. Member is making enquiries

Project No. 218: Wild Flower Sowing

Work to be undertaken: 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. 217: Pensioner bungalows, Heol Dewi Hengoed

Work to be undertaken: 4 car parking spaces Cost: £5,000

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

Work to be undertaken: Presentation for good deeds within the community

Cost: £205 Next event: tbc

Project No. 167: Gelligaer Community Newsletter

Work to be undertaken: Newsletter – Summer 2015

Cost: £1150 & distribution costs

New Project – Health messages on TV monitors

Work to be undertaken: quote received for TV monitor (£619) & brackets (£63), installation cost (£95)

New Project – Siloh Church Garden

Work to be undertaken: To improve garden area to the front of church

Cost: Further detail & cost considered

New Project – Pottery Lane

Work to be undertaken – smarten up area, to rid of litter and restore natural beauty

88 Caerphilly County Borough Smaller Scale Wind Turbine Development: Landscape Sensitivity & Capacity Study

Details of consultation was noted, which can be accessed by visiting

www.caerphilly.gov.uk/spg Comments are invited on sections 3,4 and 6.

Consultation closes on the 6th October 2015.

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

89 Planning Applications

Case Ref. 15/0551/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

Case Officer: Mr A Pyne 01495 235197 _ pynea@caerphilly.gov.uk

Ward: Ystrad Mynach Map Ref: 313753 (E) 194388 (N) Expected Decision Level: Delegated

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council - **NO OBJECTION**

Case Ref. 15/0488/RET Site Area: 39043m²

Location: Gelliargwellt Uchaf Farm Gelligaer Road Gelligaer Hengoed CF82 8FY

Proposal: Retain development previously approved under planning permission 11/0224/FULL for the construction of an anaerobic digestion facility with changes to construction details relating to the position of the digestate tanks, digestate lagoon, surplus gas flare, silage clamp and associated works and to change the use of the existing in vessel composting building to an anaerobic digestion reception building and an in vessel composting facility

Applicant: Bryn Power C/o Barton Willmore Mr B Stephenson Greyfriars House Greyfriars Road Cardiff CF10 3AL

Agent: Barton Willmore Mr B Stephenson Greyfriars House Greyfriars Road Cardiff CF10 3AL

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

Ward: St Cattwg Map Ref: 312485 (E) 196441 (N) Expected Decision Level: Delegated

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council- **NO OBJECTION**

Case Ref. 15/0623/RET Site Area: 361m²

Location: 14 Trosnant Crescent Penybryn Hengoed CF82 7FU

Proposal: Retain garden shed extension

Applicant: Miss L Greenhouse 14 Trosnant Crescent Penybryn Hengoed CF82 7FU

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

Ward: St Cattwg Map Ref: 313613 (E) 196295 (N) Expected Decision Level: Delegated

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council- **NO OBJECTION**

Case Ref. 15/0663/FULL Site Area: 343m²
Location: 14 Brambling Crescent Penallta Hengoed CF82 6BF
Proposal: Erect a conservatory at the back of the property
Applicant: Mr & Mrs J Lacey 14 Brambling Crescent Penallta Hengoed CF82 6BF
Case Officer: Mr A Pyne 01495 235197 _ pynea@caerphilly.gov.uk
Ward: Hengoed Map Ref: 314287 (E) 196199 (N) Expected Decision Level: Delegated
Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council- **NO OBJECTION**

Case Ref. 15/0675/FULL Site Area: 16736m²
Location: Land To The North Of Cwm Calon Penallta Hengoed
Proposal: Remediate the site and the develop 32 residential dwellings (C3), associated vehicular and pedestrian access from the existing Cwm Calon site, formal landscaping, drainage, related infrastructure, engineering works and the relocation of an existing bus gate
Applicant: Redrow Homes (South Wales) Ltd C/o Agent
Agent: Nathaniel Lichfield & Partners Mr A Evans Belmont House Churchill Way Cardiff
Case Officer: Mrs M Davies _01495 235227 _ daviem2@caerphilly.gov.uk
Ward: Hengoed Map Ref:314256 (E) 196294 (N) Expected Decision Level: Delegated
Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council
OBJECTION -There were strong objections to planning application 15/0675/FULL on the grounds that existing plans for commercial properties should be enforced and current rights of way be respected and preserved.

Case Ref. 15/0558/FULL Site Area: 347m²
Location: 11 Llys Y Coed Ystrad Mynach Hengoed CF82 7FD
Proposal: Erect a two-storey side extension and a single-storey rear extension
Applicant: Mr G Santos 11 Llys Y Coed Ystrad Mynach Hengoed CF82 7FD
Agent: Case Officer: Mr A Pyne 01495 235197 _ pynea@caerphilly.gov.uk
Ward: Ystrad Mynach Map Ref:314326 (E) 193296 (N) Expected Decision Level: Delegated
Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council- **NO OBJECTION**

Case Ref. 15/0564/CLPU Site Area: 230m²
Location: 4 Kingfisher Way Penallta Hengoed CF82 6BB
Proposal: Obtain a Lawful Development Certificate for the proposed orangery extension to the rear of the existing property
Applicant: Mr D Mudge 4 Kingfisher Way Penallta Hengoed CF82 6BB
Agent:
Case Officer: Mr A Pyne 01495 235197 _ pynea@caerphilly.gov.uk
Ward: Hengoed Map Ref: 314230 (E) 196068 (N) Expected Decision Level: Delegated
Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council- **NO OBJECTION**

Case Ref. 15/0715/FULL Site Area: 616m²
Location: 36 Heol Brynteg Ystrad Mynach Hengoed CF82 7EY
Proposal: Erect two-storey extension to front of dwelling
Applicant: Mr & Mrs K Troy 36 Heol Brynteg Ystrad Mynach Hengoed CF82 7EY
Agent: Dean Lock Design Mr D Lock 10 Birchwood Close Highfields Blackwood NP12 1WX
Case Officer: Mr A Pyne 01495 235197 □□pynea@caerphilly.gov.uk
Ward: Ystrad Mynach Map Ref:314099 (E) 193815 (N) Expected Decision Level:Delegated
Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council – **Clerk to contact ward member, for further information.**

The meeting closed at 9.30 pm

Signed: _____ Chairman