



## GELLIGAER COMMUNITY COUNCIL CYNGOR CYMUNED GELLIGAER

**Minutes of Ordinary Full Council Meeting of Gelligaer Community Council  
Wednesday 23rd November 2016 7.30pm, Council Office, Llwyn Onn, Penpedairheol.**

### **PRESENT**

Councillors: A Angel, D Bolter, W David, W Griffiths, T Matthews, T Parry, J Pritchard, N Quarry & G Roberts.

Clerk to the Council: Ceri Mortimer

Due to the Chairman & Vice Chairman's absence, Members resolved that Cllr J Pritchard chair the meeting.

### **85 Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllr D Cushing due to a recent intervention, Cllr H David due to Assembly commitments and Cllr M James due to work commitments.

### **86 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 D Bolter declared an interest in minute no.101 (Planning)

Cllr W David declared an interest in minute no.101 (Planning)

Cllr T Parry declared an interest in minute no.101 (Planning application 16/0864/RM)

### **87 Healthy Child Wales Programme ~ Presentation**

Cllr Nicola Quarry delivered an interesting presentation on Healthy Child Wales Programme. The programme aims to deliver a universal service to all families through Health Visitors, with a renewed focus on the prevention of child poverty, long term chronic disease and preventing ill-health. Members agreed that a good service should be offered to all children, but emphasised the importance of concentrating money and resources on areas of deprivation.

Communities First, currently under review with the Welsh Government, largely funds Flying Start which is a vital service for deprived families, making a positive impact on pre-school children in relation to cognitive and social skills.

Also highlighted were the current recruitment and retention issues within the Health Visitor profession.

Cllr Nicola Quarry will update Council with any further developments within the programme at a future meeting.

*Cllr Judith Pritchard and Members thanked Cllr Nicola Quarry for the presentation*

### **88 Chairman's Announcements**

Cllr Judith Pritchard announced that the Community Council's Presentation at Llancaiach on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November had been very well organized and from the written and verbal feedback received, was a great success, enjoyed by all club representatives.

Councillors Donna Cushing, T Parry and the Clerk introduced the clubs at the event, highlighting their invaluable contribution to the community.

Hefin David AM presented the Young Citizen's Awards and the Community Service Award, which recognized excellent work undertaken in the community.

Cllr William Griffiths and Cllr Judith Pritchard also attended and assisted in welcoming guests and networking.

The Clerk was thanked for organizing such an excellent event.

- 89 Minutes**  
Minutes of the Ordinary Full Council meeting held on **19/10/2016** were received, approved and signed by the Chairman of the meeting, as an accurate record.
- 90 Matters Arising**  
Minute 81  
News Release – WLGA supports Welsh Government proposal to review Communities First  
It was agreed that the Community Council are to respond to the review at our next meeting in December. Clerk to contact Community First for further information and closing date to consultation.
- 91 Current Financial Situation as at 17/11/2016**
- (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 of the meeting and another member, in the Vice Chair's absence.
- (ii) Cheques & Debit Card Payments**  
Chairman of the meeting 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 29, 30 / 85 / 87 / 35 were received, approved and signed by non-signatory member.
- 92 Completion of Audit Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016**  
It was noted that:  
(i) BDO have completed the audit and has issued an unqualified (acceptable) certificate which is to be published on our noticeboards and website for a minimum of 14 days and auditors are to be notified of its publication  
(ii) Annual Return had been returned.  
(iii) Final report from the auditor reiterates the issue to consider reserves when setting the budget for the precept, which council resolved to action, in September's full council meeting.
- 93 Financial Assistance**
- (i) Cascade Crafters Application No.30  
Resolved: £ 100 be granted to Cascade Crafters
- (ii) Cascade Keyboard Group – this item was deferred for further information..
- (iii) Cascade Scrabble Club Application No. 31  
Resolved: £ 100 be granted to Cascade Scrabble Club
- (iv) Penpedairheol Ti a Fi Application No. 32  
Resolved: £ 300 be pledged to Penpedairheol Ti a Fi
- (v) Llamau – this item was deferred for further information.

## 94 2018 Review of Parliamentary Constituencies in Wales Initial Proposals

Members noted the Commission's Initial Proposals Report is available on [www.bcomm-wales.gov.uk](http://www.bcomm-wales.gov.uk) and representation period ends on 5th December 2016

In summary, the Boundary Commission has proposed that a county constituency '**Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney**' is created from the electoral wards within the existing Caerphilly county borough to **include Hengoed (3,374), St. Cattwg (5,400) and Ystrad Mynach (3,935)**.

A further county constituency '**Caerphilly**' is to be created from the electoral wards within the existing Caerphilly county borough to **include Llanbradach and Caerphilly in with Newport**.

Members strongly objected to the proposals and expressed their concern that the proposals would bring about an area being split between the police forces, with Gwent Police and South Wales Police and likewise with the health boards, split between Cwm Taf University Health Board and the Aneurin Bevan Health Board.

Members suggested that we remain as we are, with an MP representing all of our deprived communities within the valleys of the Caerphilly borough. The clerk will respond to the consultation, indicating our strong objections.

## 95 Projects

(i) Presentation feedback – members deferred the decision as to whether the Community Council would host a presentation in 2017 following a costing breakdown. Members agreed that the event was a success and the Clerk was thanked again for organising the event. It was warmly received and enjoyed by all those that attended.

(ii) Christmas Fayre feedback – the Clerk's suggestion of setting up an 'Events Committee' at our Annual Meeting in May 2017, to ensure that the workload of events is evenly shared between members and the Clerk.

The fayre was very well attended which made it a huge success. The Clerk will provide a breakdown of costs at our next meeting and was thanked for organising and manning the stall with Cllr Teresa Parry all day, and assisted by Cllr Judith Pritchard and Cllr Donna Cushing at other times during the day.

(iii) Project Summary

### **Project No. 370 Tiryberth Village Hall**

Work: Supply & install external notice board

Cost: £1200

### **Project No. 369 Santa's Sleigh**

Work: Purchase 3 generators to gift to Cascaid Action Group to power Santa's sleigh

Cost: £720

### **Project No. 368 Glanynant Memorial**

Work: Supply & install 23.4 mtrs of fencing & gate to secure playgroups outside space

Cost: £1,500

### **Project No. 367 CIL Project Welfare Playground Cefn Road, Hengoed**

Work: Installation of pathway to access welfare

Cost: £ 3,513 (CIL earmarked) quote required

### **Project No. 366 Mr Graham Moore Memorial**

Work: (i) Support a memorial on Pengam Road. (ii) Request Cascade Playing Fields be renamed – Clerk to write to CCBC Interim Chief Exec. (iii) Player of the year trophy.

Family member writing to clubs.

Cost: £1,500

### **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: £411 plus labour

### **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: £4,450 increased

**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 14.5 summer hanging baskets throughout the town plus planter on railings to the front of Pier Head building & daily watering

Cost: £3,650

**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 8 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
  - (viii) Glanynant Memorial Hall Sun 18<sup>th</sup> Dec 7.00pm
- Cost: £4,680 (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

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

Work: Newsletter to include Police Notice  
 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.

**96 One Voice Wales – Advice to Community & Town Councils on Working with Young People**

A document produced by One Voice Wales 'Youth Representation, Creating a Successful Youth Council and Young Persons Initiatives' was received and discussed.  
 It was resolved: to defer until the Annual Meeting in May 2017.

*Cllr D Bolter & Cllr T Matthews left the meeting*

**97 Social Media**

To engage with more people it was agreed that interacting on Facebook may be helpful. The Clerk will publish meeting dates, events, projects and notices of interest.  
 It was resolved that the Clerk set up a Facebook page with links from our website, and details to be included in our next newsletter.  
 This item to be reviewed in 6 months. (May 2017)

**98 One Voice Wales Innovative Practice National awards 2017**

The nomination guide was received and discussed and suggested items agreed for submission.  
 Clerk to prepare nominations.

**99 Change of Meeting date from 18<sup>th</sup> January to 25<sup>th</sup> January 2017**

Members noted change of date in January, as it clashed with a OVW RCT/Merthyr/Caerphilly Area Committee Meeting

**100 Hengoed Road and Hengoed Avenue Accident Remediation Scheme – 20mph limit**

Correspondence was received and noted from Liz Gibby informing us that works are to commence following the receipt of an acceptable construction phase plan.  
 Construction is likely to take 8 weeks.

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

## 101 Planning Applications

The following applications were received and discussed:

**Case Ref. 16/0851/FULL Site Area: 77m<sup>2</sup>**

**Location: Soul Beauty Holistic Therapy 12 Commercial Street Ystrad Mynach Hengoed CF82 7DX Proposal: Replace existing shopfront**

Applicant: Mrs T Payne Soul Beauty Holistic Therapy 12 Commercial Street Ystrad Mynach Hengoed CF82 7DX

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

Ward: Ystrad Mynach Map Ref: 314567 (E) 194300 (N) Target Date: 07.12.2016

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council Expected Decision Level: Delegated  
NO OBJECTIONS

**Case Ref. 16/0873/FULL Site Area: 284m<sup>2</sup>**

**Location: 12 Clos Graddfa Ystrad Mynach Hengoed CF82 7DL**

**Proposal: Erect garage to side of dwelling**

Applicant: Mr J Mann 12 Clos Graddfa Ystrad Mynach Hengoed CF82 7DL

Agent: Mr C Morgan Stelvio The Park Pontypool Torfaen NP4 8BJ

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

Ward: Ystrad Mynach Map Ref: 314514 (E) 193196 (N) Target Date: 14.12.2016

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council Expected Decision Level: Delegated  
NO OBJECTIONS

*Cllr Teresa Parry declared an interest in the next item and therefore played no part in the ensuing discussions*

**Case Ref. 16/0864/RM Site Area: 815m<sup>2</sup>**

**Location: Land Adjacent To 23 Kingswood Close Hengoed CF82 7LU**

**Proposal: Seek approval of the reserved matters regarding appearance, landscaping, layout and scale in connection with planning consent 13/0793/OUT (Erect two detached dwellings), provide a schedule of periodic site monitoring by an appointed certified arboricultural agent (conditions 5), remove condition 6 due to revised site layout and size of proposed dwellings, approve a scheme of land drainage (condition 9) and approve a construction management plan (condition 10)**

Applicant: Easyliving Ltd Mr L Edmunds 55 Bartley Wilson Way Canton Cardiff CF11 8EN

Agent: MJP Building Design Ltd Mr M Page Ty Onnen Briary Way Brackla Bridgend

Case Officer: Mr C Powell 01495 235019 powelc2@caerphilly.gov.uk

Ward: Hengoed Map Ref: 315266 (E) 195062 (N) Target Date: 06.12.2016

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council Expected Decision Level: Delegated  
NO OBJECTIONS

*Cllr Teresa Parry returned to discussions*

**Case Ref. 16/0912/COU Site Area: 2659m<sup>2</sup>**

**Location: St Anne's Church Hengoed Road Cefn Hengoed Hengoed**

**Proposal: Change the use of church to residential**

Applicant: Mr M Griffiths Rose Cottage 1 Plas Road Fleur De Lis Blackwood NP12 3FJ

Case Officer: Mr C Powell 01495 235019 powelc2@caerphilly.gov.uk

Ward: Hengoed Map Ref: 314630 (E) 196209 (N) Target Date: 15.12.2016

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council Expected Decision Level: Delegated  
NO OBJECTIONS

**The meeting closed at 9.10pm**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Chairman Date: 7<sup>th</sup> December 2016