

GELLIGAER COMMUNITY COUNCIL
BALANCE OF FUNDS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2016-17

Balance in Bank as @ 01:04:2016	£38,759.21
Community Benefit Account @ 01:04:2016	£48,200.00
Income	94,998.12
Expenditure	100,793.69
Balance to 16th January 2017	81,163.64

Reconciled with Bank Statements as follows:-

A/c Name	Statement No.	Date	Balance
Current (Business Acc)	35	29/12/2016	2,000.00
Bus Bank Instant	87	29/12/2016	56,607.03
30 Day Notice	87	28/10/2016	4,943.30
Expenditure/Income (not yet recorded on bank statements)			-2,794.97
2015/16 un presented cheques, presented in 2016/17			1,547.50
Community Council Accounts Balance			62,302.86
Roman Fort Account	37	29/12/2016	18,860.78
Roman Fort Acc Balance			48,200.00
Total Council Funds			81,163.64

Payments and Receipts Requiring Approval

Payments

Date	Payee and Description	Net £	Vat £	Gross £	Cheque No
02/12/2016	Clir D Cushing - Reimbused Chairman for Christmas Fayre volunteer gifts (CCBC to reimburse GCC)	30.00		30.00	2265
09/12/2016	CR Flowers Inv 16065 Presentation (Y Thomas)	30.00		30.00	2266
09/12/2016	Once Upon a Time Theatre Company Inv 10017396 8 x pantos	4,680.00		4,680.00	2267
09/12/2016	CCBC Inv 082972299 Presentation at Llancaiach	1,335.17	267.03	1,602.20	2268
09/12/2016	Aberwrought Iron Ltd Inv 008108 fencing & gate GYN Memorial Hall	1,500.00	300.00	1,800.00	2269
09/12/2016	CCBC inv 082957440 Wild flower planting 2015/16	677.00	136.60	813.60	2270
09/12/2016	OVW Inv 2933 Devolution course x 2 (JP & CM)	70.00		70.00	2271
09/12/2016	Don Eisbury Plant Sales Ltd Inv 10060 (repairs and works to tree light connections)	143.50	28.70	172.20	2272
09/12/2016	C Mortimer November 2016 Salary	1,116.22		1,116.22	2273
09/12/2016	Playworks Inv 1561 HMRC 242.82 & Fee 5.00	247.82		247.82	2274
09/12/2016	RCTCBC Pension Nov 2016 Employees 78.00 & Employers 219.19	297.19		297.19	2275
14/12/2016	C Mortimer December 2016 Salary	1,116.22		1,116.22	2276
14/12/2016	Playworks Inv 1596 HMRC 242.82 & 5.00 fee	247.82		247.82	2277
14/12/2016	RCTCBC Pension December 2016 Ees 78 & Ers 219.19	297.19		297.19	2278
14/12/2016	The Kiosk inv 2676 5/5 -8/12	40.00		40.00	2279
14/12/2016	CR Flowers Inv 16019 (Chair to reimburse GCC) 60th Wedding Mr & Mrs Matthews	30.00		30.00	2280
12/01/2017	TYB Tuesday Afternoon Bingo Club (Pledge rent inv 045- TYB V Hall)	300.00		300.00	2281
12/01/2017	Cascade Scrabble (chq made payable to Cascade Methodist re: rent)	100.00		100.00	2282
12/01/2017	Noticeboard Company Inv12858 board re: TYB Village Hall	909.00	181.80	1,090.80	2283
12/01/2017	Penybryn Community Hall re: Staging for panto	96.00		96.00	2284
12/01/2017	C Mortimer Mobile March - Dec	254.16		254.16	2285
12/01/2017	SLCC Membershio 2017/18	139.00		139.00	2286
01/11/2016	British Gas	27.00		27.00	DD
01/11/2016	The Open Spaces Society	45.00		45.00	DD
01/11/2016	Defib Store Ltd - Cabinet	492.90		492.90	DC
02/11/2016	Showcase Cinemas (Young Citizens Gifts)	120.00		120.00	DC
04/11/2016	What Caerphilly - items for presentation	11.38		11.38	DC
04/11/2016	Festive Lights LTD - tree at Siloh	639.99		639.99	DC
07/11/2016	E.ON	21.00		21.00	DD
21/11/2016	The Post Office - postage	15.24		15.24	DC
21/11/2016	Caerphilly Surplus - camouflage netting for base of tree	25.00		25.00	DC
21/11/2016	Aldi - Cadbury selection boxes for Christmas Fayre	403.92		403.92	DC
25/11/2016	Bank Service Charge st no.33	5.00		5.00	DD
01/12/2016	British Gas	27.00		27.00	DD
05/12/2016	E.ON	21.00		21.00	DD
05/12/2016	The Post Office - agenda postage	13.97		13.97	DC
05/12/2016	Ikea - trolley	9.00		9.00	DC
07/12/2016	Lidl - refreshments	19.78		19.78	DC
08/12/2016	Tesco Store - stationery	2.00		2.00	DC
28/12/2016	Bank Service Charge st no.35	5.00		5.00	DD
28/12/2016	Bank Service charge st no. 37 Roman Fort acc	5.00		5.00	DD
25/11/2016	Bank Service charge st no. 36 Roman Fort acc	5.00		5.00	DD

Receipts		
Date		
10/10/2016	Lloyds Banks st 85 Interest	3.48
09/11/2016	Lloyds Banks st 86 Interest	3.18
09/12/2016	Lloyds Banks st 87 Interest	2.86
22/12/2016	Income from Labour Group hall rental, C&LCC shared HR policies, mileage & Chairman's Event contribution	319.05
16/12/2016	Presentation Awards Raffle takings	262.00
16/12/2016	Christmas Market raffle takings	283.40
16/12/2016	Christmas Market - Santa visit takings	525.60
	Total	1,399.57
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Presented to the Council Meeting held on: 25 January 2017 Minute No. _____

Signed Approval by Chairman of Council: _____ Signed Approval by Vice Chair _____

Gelligaer Community Council
18th January 2017
Clerks Report

Precept 2017/18

Council is required to determine the level of precept for the financial year 2017/18

Council tax base for the area of Gelligaer Community Council is 6224.70 Band D equivalent dwellings

Recent history

2016/17 - increased by 2.5% to £14.49 per household (Band D) per annum giving the council a precept of £89,841

2015/16 – increased by 3% to £14.14 per household (Band D) per annum giving the council a precept of £87,514

2014/15 - increased by 2.7% to £13.73 per household (Bands D) per annum giving the council a precept of £84,388

Budget Assumptions

The budget for 2017/18 has been prepared using the following assumptions:

- Pay award 2017/18 increase of 1% (actual)
- Retail Price Index (RPI) is currently at 2.5% (Dec 2016 Office for National Statistics)
(RPI includes housing costs i.e. mortgage/rent/council tax and consumer items)
- Consumer Price Index (CPI) is currently at 1.6% (Dec 2016 Office for National Statistics)
(CPI includes everything except housing costs)
Economists forecast that CPI is expected to creep upwards
- State Pension is protected and will rise again this year from April 2017 by 2.5%

Property Development

The council tax base has increased slightly from 6200.21 in 2016/17 (Band D equivalent dwellings) to **6224.70 in 2017/18** due to the continuing building development at Cwm Calon, Penallta, in the main.

It is estimated an additional 42 new build rechargeable properties for 2017/18.

Possible budget increases

An inflated budget is shown in Appendix 1 and assumes a 2% and 3% increase in precept.

However it is suggested that the members may wish to consider a range of increases, and for convenience a range of increases is shown below.

Increase	Band D Equivalent per property per annum £	Precept for 2017/18 £
0%	14.49 (currently)	90,196
1%	14.63	91,067
2%	14.77	91,939
2.5%	14.85	92,437
3%	14.92	92,873

Additional Information

Within the area of Gelligaer Community Council the following applies:

Band	All Properties	Exempt Properties	Total No. Rechargeable Properties (incl. new build estimate)	New Build Estimated (Rechargeable Properties)
A	751	35	716	0
B	3168	83	3091	6
C	1845	40	1805	0
D	1253	26	1257	30
E	782	11	776	5
F	166	9	158	1
G	39	4	35	0
H	3	1	2	0
I	1	0	1	0
Total	8008	209	7841	42

Total dwellings Converted to Band D equivalents = 6417.22

Collection rate 97%

Band D equivalents x collection rate = 6224.70

A council resolution is required on the level of precept.

C Mortimer
January 2017

APPENDIX 1

Proposed Budget for 2017/18 EXPENDITURE	2017/18	2017/18	2017/18	
	Revised based on spend 16/17 Budget	Precept Increase 1%	Precept Increase 2%	Precept Increase 3%
	£	£	£	£
Administration				
Election fees	0	4,500	4,500	4,500
Audit fees (internal & external)	700	800	800	800
Conference fees /OVW	500	500	500	500
Insurance (building & contents)	732	745	745	745
Stationery/equipment/postage	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Subscriptions (OVW, SLCC, Open Spaces)	2,200	2,500	2,500	2,500
Training	1,096	2,500	2,500	2,500
Clerk's salary & Employers Superannuation	19,520	19,715	19,715	19,715
Tel & travel expenses	350	350	350	350
Chairman's allowance (for charitable causes & clubs)	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
Chairman's remuneration	500	500	500	500
Vice Chair's remuneration	250	250	250	250
Members travel expenses	250	500	500	500
* Members Allowances £100 x 11	1,200	1,100	1,100	1,100
	----- 29,798	----- 36,460	----- 36,460	----- 36,460
Financial Assistance:				
S 137 Financial Assistance	10,500	5,350	5,350	5,350
S 137 Financial Assistance Power of Well Being	0	10,228	10,228	10,228
Financial Assistance OTHER	0	0	0	0
Financial Assistance: Charities	1,930	2,000	2,000	2,000
TOTAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE *	----- 12,430	----- 17,578	----- 17,578	----- 17,578

Projects:

S 137 Power of Well Being}	45,000	14,708	19,080	20,014
Christmas lighting}	4,450	10,000	6,500	6,500
Hanging Baskets	3,650	3,650	3,650	3,650
Presentation	1,610	1,610	1,610	1,610
Christmas Fayre	2,000	2,500	2,500	2,500

Events	5,211	5,211	5,211	5,211
Other				
Capital				

Additional External Funding

Community Benefit	48,200			
CIL	3,513			
Ystrad Mynach Town Centre	3,503			

TOTAL PROJECTS *

117,137	37,679	38,551	39,485
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Premises & Other Costs

Furniture/fittings/services	200	200	200	200
ICT - server & support	500	500	500	500
Building utilities, alarm	3,000	3,090	3,090	3,090
General Maintenance	1,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
Newsletter (bi-annual)	1,650	1,650	1,650	1,650

6,350	7,440	7,440	7,440
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Total Expenditure

165,715	99,157	100,029	100,963
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INCOME	Revised 16/17 Budget	2017/18		2017/18
		Precept Increase	Precept Increase	Precept Increase
			1%	2%
				3%
Precept	89,841	91,067	91,939	92,873
Bank Interest	20	20	20	20
Other	1,031	0	0	
Rental	36	70	70	70
VAT				
CIL	3,513			
Community Benefit		8,000	8,000	8,000
Fayre donations				
Total Income	94,441	99,157	100,029	100,963
Expenditure in excess of Income	71,274	0	0	0

Funding

Balance/Reserves as at 31st March 2016	89,547.00
Projected Reserves as at 31st March 2017	18,273.00
December's meeting resolved to spend over £9k on fencing project	9,963.00
OVW advises that approx 10% of precept should be kept for contingencies =	8,310.00



HAVE WE GOT IT RIGHT?

Residents and organisations from across the county borough have recently been helping the Public Services Board (PSB) and their partners to identify the issues they would like the PSB to work on to improve Well-being of Future Generations and create 'The Caerphilly You Want'.

We now need to narrow down the number of issues raised, to create the building blocks on which the Well-being Plan will be written. To give our communities the chance to be involved in this process, we are organising community engagement workshops during February 2017.

You, your friends, neighbours and local organisations will have three opportunities to attend these workshops, but you will need to book a place. All three sessions will be the same and will consider the county borough as a whole, rather than being focused on particular areas.

The dates, times and venues are as follows:

Wednesday 8th February 2017, 6pm to 8:30pm, Blackwood Methodist Church (up the hill near Argos – pay and display parking available)

Monday 13th February 2017, 10am to 12:30pm, Elim Community Church in Pontlottyn (on the main road – on road parking only)

Thursday 23rd February 2017, 2pm to 4:30pm, Bedwas & Trethomas Community Hall (next to Bedwas High School – parking available)

PLEASE NOTE - BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL

To book a place at a workshop, please contact Vicki Doyle on 01443 866391 or doylevm@caerphilly.gov.uk

Would you like a role in supporting your local community?

Have you thought of becoming a community or town councillor?



Llywodraeth Cymru
Welsh Government

Community and town councillors are elected by the people in the local community and are responsible to them. As a councillor you will represent the views of local people and make decisions on a variety of issues concerning the community. You will also have the opportunity to contribute occupational or personal skills and expertise.

This is grass roots democracy at its best!



Interested?

Local Government elections take place on **4 May 2017**.

Want to know more?

Speak directly to your community or town council and the Electoral Commission for electoral regulations and procedures guidance www.electoralcommission.org.uk

You may also like to refer to the FAQ sheet and candidate guidance document which accompany this leaflet. Please refer to One Voice Wales' website for candidate guidance www.onevoicewales.org.uk