



**GELLIGAER COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the ORDINARY FULL COUNCIL MEETING of Gelligaer Community Council**  
**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at the Council Office, Llwyn Onn, Penpedairheol.**

**PRESENT**

Councillors: C David, W David, W Griffiths, M James, T Matthews, R Osborne and T Parry (Vice),  
Clerk: C Mortimer

In Attendance: L Judd, member of Cwm Calon Community Association

***In the Chair's absence, Vice Chair Cllr Teresa Parry, welcomed everyone to the meeting and chaired the meeting.***

**27 Apologies**

An apology was received from Cllrs A Angel & S Milford due to work commitments and D Cushing & J Pritchard (Chair) due to a holiday.  
Cllr C Bezzina is on approved leave of absence.

**28 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.  
There were no declarations of interest.

**29 Chairman's Announcements**

Vice Chair Cllr Teresa Parry announced the following:

- A moving letter was received from local resident Mr Wayne Vivian with regards to our recent newsletter and the "wonderful work carried out by the winners of the Young Citizens Award and their work on the grave of Lance Corporal Haydn Carlyle Phillips is truly inspiring. With this subject in mind may I point you to the grave of another young man who gave the ultimate sacrifice during the carnage of WWI. His name is Henry Edwards. He perished at the battle of Jutland on May 31<sup>st</sup> 1916, aged just 20 years old." The letter continues to outline that Henry Edwards is buried at Hengoed Chapel and his grave is unkempt and requests that "tidy his resting place would go towards showing this young man some due respect for giving his life in those icy waters all those years ago". It was decided to discuss this item further under Projects Minute no.38 (vi)
- A letter of thanks was received and noted from Ty Hafan indicating that £3,367.30 had been raised over the years from our pantomimes. This sum has contributed towards supporting children and families with the very best of specialist treatment and nurses.
- Aneurin Bevan Community Health – Special Meeting at The Parkway Hotel, Cwmbran on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019 at 10am and an Ordinary Meeting at Greenmeadow Gold Club on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2019 at 5.30pm
- Lewis Girls Community Fun Day is on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2019 11am – 4pm and free entry.

**30 Notice of Vacancy in the Tiryberth Ward**

Members received and noted the Notice of Vacancy dated 27<sup>th</sup> June 2019.

An election will be held to fill the vacancy if notice is given in writing to the Returning Officer by ten Local Government Electors from the Tiryberth ward within fourteen days from the date of the notice.

If such notice has not been received by Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2019 Gelligaer Community Council can fill the vacancy by co-option.

**31 Minutes**  
Minutes of the **Annual Full Council** meeting held on 22/05/2019 were received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

**32 Matters Arising** – there were none.

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**35 Finance**

**(i) Balance of Funds**

'Balance of Funds' document was received, approved and signed by the presiding chair and one other member as an accurate record.

**(ii) Reconciliation**

Reconciliation document was received, approved and signed by a non signatory member as an accurate record.

**(iii) Bank Statements** – tabled on pink paper

Bank statement no's 87, 86, 85, 17 & 26 were received, approved and signed by a non signatory member as an accurate record.

**36 Audit Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019**

(i) Internal auditor's report, in respect of the internal audit for year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019 was received and noted.

(ii) Significant variances where the percentage is +/- greater than 10% was received and noted.

(iii) Bank reconciliation which verifies box 9 of the Annual return was received and noted.

(iv) Debtors and Creditors were received and noted.

(v) RESOLVED: Annual Return year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019 was received, approved And duly signed by the presiding Chair and certified by the Clerk/RFO.

*Presiding Chair Cllr Teresa Parry invited Mrs Lynne Judd of Cwm Calon Community Association to speak on the next item.*

**37 Cycle Track Update - Completion of the missing walking/cycling link from Cwm Calon Estate, Ystrad Mynach to NCN Route 47**

In summary Ms Lynne Judd was disappointed in a letter dated 29<sup>th</sup> April 2019 received from Caerphilly County Borough Council's (CCBC) Interim Chief Executive Christina Harray (cc'd Gelligaer Community Council).

*'Developing this scheme to completion necessitates land ownership to be resolved to enable us to seek funding for final design/construction. Part of the land required is currently in the ownership of Redrow Homes Limited. To the south of Redrows' land a further section of land is required to enable construction of the cycling /walking link which is owned by Network Rail. Consequently transfers of the needed land/permissions have to be achieved by negotiation with both parties which is progressing'.*

Lynne Judd was exasperated that the surfacing of this section of path has been outstanding for many years and no definitive time scale for completion was evident in the letter. Lynne Judd's concerns were, if funding is secured again this year from Welsh Government (WG) for this project, then land ownership is to be resolved without further delay so that funding is

expended on the cycle path this year and not lost. Lynne Judd would write further to Christina Harray and likewise the Community Council agreed to do the same in support, emphasizing that land matters need to be resolved as a priority and requesting a commitment from CCBC, that funding secured for this project in this financial year from WG, is spent this year.

## 38 Projects

(i) Project Summary was received and noted:

### ANNUAL 2019/20 PROJECTS

- 1 Intergenerational Luncheon - Lewis School Pengam for the 50+  
To support the provision of luncheon club  
£1,500
- 2 Christmas Lighting 2019  
Erect Christmas lighting throughout all areas  
£10,500  
LGA 1972 s.144 (encourage tourism/visitors)
- 3 Ystrad Mynach Christmas Market  
Contribution towards the Christmas market to ensure its continuity  
Saturday 16th Nov 2019  
£2,000  
LGA 1972, s.145 (provision of entertainment, festivals & support of the arts)
- 4 Hanging Baskets at Ystrad Mynach  
17.5 summer hanging basket throughout town plus 3 planters of flowers attached  
Installation, watering, taking down and storage.  
£3,840  
LGA 1972 s.144 (encourage tourism/visitors)
- 5 Family Day Trip  
Fund 5 x 49 seater coaches  
(x1) Gelligaer Comm Centre Sat 2nd Aug  
(x1) Lindsay Club Sat 10th Aug 2019  
(x1) Hengoed Comm Centre Sat 10th Aug  
(x1) TYB Primary Sun 4<sup>th</sup> Aug  
LGA 1972 s.137 / LG (Wales) Measure 2011 (well-being power)
- 6 Pantomimes  
(1) Penybryn Village Hall Wed 04/12/19 6.30pm  
(2) Gelligaer Comm Centre Mon 9/12/19 Dec 6.00pm  
(3) Lyndsey Club Wed 11/12/19 5.30pm  
(4) TYB Primary Thurs 12/12/19 6.30pm  
(5) Lewis Girls Sunday Sun 15/12/19 2.30pm  
(6) Glanynant Memorial Hall Sun 15 /12/19 7.00pm  
(7) Hengoed Community Centre Mon 16/12/19 Dec 5.30pm  
(8) Cascade Community Centre Thurs 19/12/19 5.30pm  
LGA 1972, s.145 (provision of entertainment, festivals & support of the arts)
- 7 Presentation at Llancaiach  
Presentation of Young Citizens and Community Service awards & grants to clubs (up to 10 nominees) 1,690  
80 -100 volunteers invited  
23rd November 2019 2.00 - 4.30pm  
£1690 (funded with Chairman)  
LGA 1972 s.137 / LG (Wales) Measure 2011 (well-being power)

- 8 Community Newsletter Issue - no. 10 (Summer/Autumn)  
Spring/Summer & Autumn/Winter Art & print £1395 x 2; Distribution £485 x 2  
LGA 1972 s.142

#### **OTHER PROJECTS & COMMUNITY BENEFIT**

- 9 Ceramic poppy - to frame and display at Derwendeg Primary
- 10 Youth Centre, Cefn Hengoed - to refurbish toilets and painting of hall & cupboards  
£2,000

#### **CIL PROJECTS**

CIL 1 Black Ash Path To resurface remaining half of path  
Hengoed Avenue to New Road TYB  
Quote required

CIL 2 The Walk by kissing gate - Tarmacing 2019/20  
Quote required

#### **WHQS PROJECTS**

WHQS 1 VAS Signs on junction of Glyngaer & Duffryn Park  
£5,000 11/04/2019

WHQS 2 1-21 Claerwen to create pathway on grassed area  
03/04/2019

(ii) 'Partners in Time' Book Launch and workshops were received and noted:  
Cllr T Parry also commented on the book launch which she attended with Cllr Judith Pritchard at Ysgol Gyfun Cwm Rhymni, which was excellent.  
Ysgol Gymraeg Penalltau - 28th June from 9.15am  
Greenhill Primary - 1st July from 9.15am  
Glyngaer Primary - 1st July from 1pm  
Derwendeg Primary School - 2nd July from 1.15pm.  
Ystrad Mynach Primary - 5th July from 9.30am  
Hengoed Primary - 8th July from 9.30am

(iii) Newsletter – it was noted that our newsletter is currently being distributed to all residents.

(iv) Cwm Calon existing notice board key update. It was noted that the original key had been located and copied. Three keys were given to Lynn Judd.

(v) Beach day trips – it was noted that posters, risk assessment and attendance forms had been sent to our volunteers – Cllr T Parry, Cllr D Cushing, Mrs. Julie Davies and Ms Carol Nicholls.

(vi) Henry Edwards' Grave – following on from Chairman's Announcements Minute no.29: It was RESOLVED that this item feature as a Project and that the clerk contact Lewis School Pengam, given that they're experts in this field, with an invite to research Henry Edwards and tidy up the grave, with the Community Council financing it.  
Henry Edwards is also to be included on the inscription at the Memorial at Derwendeg.  
The clerk is also to write to Mr Vivian to confirm all of the above and to keep him updated of progress.

#### **39 Exclusion of Press and Public**

*Ms Lynne Judd left the chamber.*

**40 Financial Assistance 2019/20**

**(i) Bobath Cymru**

It was RESOLVED that £300 be granted to Bobath Cymru

**(ii) Marie Curie**

It was RESOLVED that £300 be granted to Marie Curie

**(iii) Shelter Cymru**

It was RESOLVED that £400 be granted to Shelter Cymru

**(iv) Cefn Hengoed Old Age Pensioners**

It was RESOLVED that £375 be granted to Cefn Hengoed Old Age Pensioners

**(v) Cylch Meithrin Penpedairheol**

It was RESOLVED that £550 be granted to Cylch Meithrin Penpedairheol

**(vi) Islwyn Indoor Bowls Association**

It was unanimously RESOLVED that Council would not support this application due to it not being a charity nor voluntary group that would bring direct benefit to local residents.

**(vii) 2<sup>nd</sup> Ystrad Mynach Brownies**

It was RESOLVED that £350 be granted to 2<sup>nd</sup> Ystrad Mynach Brownies

**(viii) Croeso Club**

It was RESOLVED that £375 be granted to Croeso Club

**(ix) Cwm Calon Community Association – Noticeboard**

It was RESOLVED that up to £1000 be granted for the purchase of a medium sized board and installed by the playground access route. This item is to be placed on the Project Summary.

**41 Meeting Reopens to Press and Public - Ms Lynne Judd returns to the chamber**

**42 CCTV Review – Ystrad Mynach**

It was RESOLVED that surveillance through the deployment of CCTV in Ystrad Mynach continue due to it effectively acting as a deterrent and thus very helpful in alleviating crime. Incidents can be acted upon quickly by the Police through surveillance at Tiryberth depot, and recordings of such incidences can be used as evidence should the need to prosecute arise.

**43 Planning Applications**

Planning applications were received & discussed:

Comments or enquiries to be emailed to [planadmin@caerphilly.gov.uk](mailto:planadmin@caerphilly.gov.uk) within 21 days of receipt of the email date.

**Case Ref. 19/0225/COU Site Area: 76m<sup>2</sup>**

Location: Unit 8A Coopers Court Caerphilly Road Ystrad Mynach Hengoed CF82 7EP (UPRN 000043169346)

Proposal: Change existing use from a cafe to a nursery

Case Officer: Mr C Powell 01443 864424 powelc2@caerphilly.gov.uk

Ward: Ystrad Mynach Map Ref: 314608 (E) 193288 (N)

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council Expected Decision Level: Delegated

RESOLVED: No objections

**Case Ref. 19/0447/FULL Site Area: 328m<sup>2</sup>**

Location: 25 Tyn-Y-Coed Tredomen Hengoed CF82 7DD (UPRN 000043011384)

Proposal: Propose dormer roof extension

Case Officer: Mr A Pyne 01443 864523 pynea@caerphilly.gov.uk

Ward: Ystrad Mynach Map Ref: 313976 (E) 194282 (N)

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council Expected Decision level: Delegated

RESOLVED: No objections

**Our Ref/Ein Cyf: 19/0385/FULL**

Contact/Cysylltwch â: Miss E Rowley

Telephone/Ffon: 01443 864776

Date/Dyddiad: 18 June 2019

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

Erect additional 2 bedroom dormer bungalow to increase the existing C2 Residential care home from 6 bedrooms to 8 bedrooms and additional car parking spaces

The Byre Heol Adam Gelligaer Hengoed

GRID REFERENCE - 312407(E) 197799(N)

The above application has been received under the provisions of the above Act and I shall be glad to know whether you wish to make any observations, in writing, on this proposal.

Application can be viewed online at <http://publicaccess.caerphilly.gov.uk/PublicAccess/>

RESOLVED: No objections

**Case Ref. 19/0503/FULL Site Area: 849m<sup>2</sup>**

Location: Land with the Curtilage of Ty Bryn King's Hill Hengoed CF82 7NJ (UPRN 000043168479)

Proposal: Construct a new 6 bedroom house in the garden of an existing property

Case Officer: Mr C Powell 01443 864424 powelc2@caerphilly.gov.uk

Ward: Hengoed Map Ref: 314993 (E) 195115 (N)

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council Expected Decision Level: Delegated

RESOLVED: No objection

**Case Ref. 19/0507/FULL Site Area: 697m<sup>2</sup>**

Location: Trelowen Oak Tree Drive Cefn Hengoed, Hengoed CF82 8FN (UPRN 000043079241)

Proposal: Proposed single storey extension with first floor terrace

Case Officer: Mr C Powell 01443 864424 powelc2@caerphilly.gov.uk

Ward: Hengoed Map Ref: 314449 (E) 196196 (N)

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council Expected Decision Level: Delegated

RESOLVED: No objections

**44 Meeting Dates:**

- Extraordinary Meeting 17<sup>th</sup> July 2019, 7.00pm (to discuss public toilets YM)
- Ordinary Meeting 31<sup>st</sup> July 2019 7.00pm

**Meeting Closed at 8.40pm**

**Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Chair Date: 31st July 2019**