



GELLIGAER COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Minutes of the ORDINARY FULL COUNCIL MEETING of Gelligaer Community Council
Held on Wednesday 31st July 2019, 7.00pm at the Council Office, Llwyn Onn, Penpedairheol.

PRESENT

Councillors: A Angel, D Cushing, C David, W David, W Griffiths, M James, T Matthews, R Osborne, S Milford and J Pritchard (Chair).

Clerk: C Mortimer

Chair Cllr Judith Pritchard welcomed everyone to the meeting.

50 Apologies

An apology was received from Cllr Teresa Parry due to holiday and Cllr C Bezzina is on approved leave of absence until December.

51 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 Alan Angel declared an interest in minute no.65 - Planning.

52 Chair's Announcements

Chair Cllr Judith Pritchard announced the following:

Thank you cards and letters were received and noted in relation to grants awarded from 2nd Ystrad Mynach Brownies, Croeso Club, The Melody Makers, Marie Curie Hospice, Bobath Children's Therapy Centre and Shelter Cymru.

Information in relation to Credit Union 'Smart Money Cymru' and borrowing was received, noted and shared on our Facebook page and noticeboards to help steer people away from loan sharks.

A pavement parking survey was received and noted for members to complete individually if they so wished.

Events throughout the summer to note:

- Penallta RFC Summer Fun day on Sunday 9th August 11am – 6pm
- Bargoed & District Art Society from Saturday 17th August at Llancaiach for a fortnight
- Aneurin Bevan Health Board Your Voice Matters – Meeting to discuss health services on Thursday 17th and 22nd Aug 5.30pm at Newbridge Memorial
- Aneurin Health Board – Community Engagement in August on Older People 7th, Carers 8th, Veterans 13th, Adults with physical disabilities and/or sensory impairment 14th and adults with learning disabilities 15th. Events to be held at Congress Theatre, Cwmbran, 10.30am - 2.30pm

53 Minutes

Minutes of an **ORDINARY FULL COUNCIL** meeting held on **26th June 2019** were received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

54 Matters Arising – Minute No. 37 – It was noted that Ms L Judd's email dated 8th July 2019 to Caerphilly County Borough Council's Interim Chief Executive was inaccurate. All members present at the Ordinary Council meeting of 26th June could not recall Cllr W David, as purported by Ms Judd in her letter, as having said that the process, in resolving land issues, would take a further two years.

55 Minutes

Minutes of an **EXTRAORDINARY FULL COUNCIL** meeting held on **17th July 2019** were received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

56 Matters Arising – there were no matters arising.

57 Finance

(i) Balance of Funds

'Balance of Funds' document was received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

(ii) Reconciliation

Reconciliation document was received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

58 Motion: Exclusion of press and public was moved

59 (i) Bank Statements – Pink Paper

Bank statements no's 89,88,18,96 & 27 were received, approved and signed by a non signatory member.

60 Financial Assistance 2019/20 – Pink Paper.

• **Tredomen Allotment Association Application No.12**

RESOLVED: Council agreed to fund the sum of £350 to Tredomen Allotment Association

• **2353 Ystrad Mynach Air Cadets Application No.13**

RESOLVED: Council agreed to fund the sum of £350 to Ystrad Mynach Air Cadets

• **The Melody Makers Application No.14**

RESOLVED: Council agreed to fund the sum of £400 to The Melody Makers

• **Individual's application for funding**

RESOLVED: Members agreed not to support this application as Council does not support educational funding to individuals. Links to bodies that may support the individual further were noted and will be relayed to her.

1. Wales Council for Deaf People

<https://www.wcdeaf.org.uk/>

2. Cambrian Trust

<http://www.cambrianeducationalfoundationfordeafchildren.org.uk/apply/apply.html>

3. Careers Wales

<https://www.careerswales.com/en/>

4. British Deaf Association Wales

<https://bda.org.uk/wales-office/>

5. Job Club at Cefn Hengoed Youth Club every Wednesday 9.00am – 1.00pm –pop in session (they could fund individual if she is potentially looking to work with the BSL level 3 course).

61 Public Conveniences – Ystrad Mynach

(i) Clerk's updated report taking into consideration extended library hours costing, estimated refurb and disabled toilet was received and noted.

Library Services stated that two members of staff would be needed to front the desk during the extended opening hours which was not a viable/affordable option for the Community Council and therefore extending the library hours was removed from the table.

RESOLVED: Council agreed to run the toilets in Ystrad Mynach for a minimum of 2 years on the proviso that we negotiate the Head of Terms (HOT's) and undertake all statutory testing.

(ii) Head of Terms

RESOLVED: Council agreed that Clerk be given delegated powers to determine HOT's over the August recess, and agreed in Minute 61 (i), all statutory testing to be undertaken by the Community Council.

62 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 4th 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 Cost £150
- 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) Potential Project – Bench at Glanynant

RESOLVED: Council agreed to fund a bench from 100% recycled plastic at the location, which is strong and robust, does not splinter, UV resistant (will not fade) and completely maintenance free at a cost of £245 plus delivery, fixtures and installation costs.

63 Motion to re-open meeting to press and public was moved.

64 Welsh Government's proposed Health & Social Care Bill

Briefing paper written by Chair Cllr Judith Pritchard was received and noted.
Council agreed that a response be sent to the Welsh Government.

ADDENDUM:

'REPLY TO CONSULTATION ON HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE QUALITY & ENGAGEMENT (WALES) BILL: A NEW CITIZENS' VOICE BODY

At its meeting on 31.07.2019 Gelligaer Community Council resolved to reply to the consultation as follows.

The Council agreed that the new Citizen's Advice Body to replace CHCs should cover both health and social care.

Members agreed that this should be a stand-alone independent body outside the NHS that can employ its own staff and recruit its own volunteer members.

Members further agreed that it should have an advocacy service to support people who want to make a complaint about health and/or social care as the CHC does at present.

However members feel strongly that the new body should have a RIGHT OF ACCESS to health and social care establishments (but not people's individual homes). This is so that volunteers and staff who have received appropriate training can carry out UNANNOUNCED and ANNOUNCED visits in order to engage directly with people while they are accessing care without first needing the permission of health and social care bodies to visit their premises. For example Aneurin Bevan CHC has a very good record of responding rapidly to situations reported to them and, through their good relationships with Aneurin Bevan University Health Board, effecting changes necessary to the wellbeing and safety of patients, thus making a real difference.

Members also felt that health and social care organisations should be REQUIRED to respond to representations made by the new body acting in the interests of people and communities, rather than just “having regard” to these representations as proposed in the bill. This would give the new body more teeth and demonstrate to the public that their voice had been heard and taken account of.

The new body should be adequately resourced so that it can maintain a presence in local communities and so that the complaints advocates can hear from people who cannot leave their place of care’.

65 Planning Applications

The following planning applications were received and discussed:

Comments or enquiries are to be emailed to planadmin@caerphilly.gov.uk within 21 days of receipt of the email date.

Email: 25/07/2019

Case Ref. 19/0624/FULL Site Area: 923m²

Location: Spare Moments 21 Old Parish Road Hengoed CF82 7HU (UPRN 000043030365)

Proposal: Divide existing garden to erect two detached bungalows with associated works

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

Ward: Hengoed Map Ref: 315022 (E) 195281 (N)

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council Expected Decision Level: Delegated

RESOLVED: No objection

Email: 22/07/2019

Case Ref. 19/0600/FULL Site Area: 190m²

Location: 45 Maesycod Terrace Tredomen Hengoed CF82 7BU (UPRN 000043011295)

Proposal: Erect single storey rear extension

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

Ward: Ystrad Mynach Map Ref: 313716 (E) 194506 (N)

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council Expected Decision Level: Delegated

RESOLVED: No objection

Case Ref. 19/0606/FULL Site Area: 189m²

Location: 21 Rhosili Road Cefn Hengoed Hengoed CF82 7JE (UPRN 000043021133)

Proposal: Erect part single storey and part two storey extension to the rear and side to the existing dwelling

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

Ward: Hengoed Map Ref: 314668 (E) 196440 (N)

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council Expected Decision Level: Delegated

RESOLVED: No objection

Email: 12/07/2019

Case Ref. 19/0523/FULL Site Area: 456m²

Location: 24 Coed-Y-Graig Ystrad Mynach Hengoed CF82 7FJ (UPRN 000043077553)

Proposal: Erect two storey side extension

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

Ward: Ystrad Mynach Map Ref: 314275 (E) 193235 (N)

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council Expected Decision Level: Delegated

RESOLVED: No objection

Case Ref. 19/0541/CLEU Site Area: 215m²

Location: 52 Sorrel Drive Penpedairheol Hengoed CF82 8LA (UPRN 000043020772)

Proposal: Obtain a Lawful Development Certificate for existing garage conversion

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

Ward: St Cattwg Map Ref: 314425 (E) 196878 (N)

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council Expected Decision Level: Delegated

RESOLVED: No objection

Case Ref. 19/0591/FULL Site Area: 187m²
Location: 14 Pen-Y-Bont Penpedairheol Hengoed CF82 8HD (UPRN 000043012532)
Proposal: Erect two storey side extension and single storey rear extension
Case Officer: Mr A Pyne ☐01443 864523☐pynea@caerphilly.gov.uk
Ward: St Cattwg Map Ref: 313848 (E) 197594 (N)
Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council Expected Decision Level: Delegated
RESOLVED: No objection

66 Next Ordinary Meeting Date: 25th September 2019

Meeting Closed at 8.30pm

Signed: _____ Chair Date: 25th September 2019