



GELLIGAER COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Minutes of the ORDINARY FULL COUNCIL MEETING of Gelligaer Community Council
held on Wednesday 23rd October 2019, 7.00pm at the Council Office, Llwyn Onn,
Penpedairheol.

PRESENT

Councillors: C David, W David (arrived later), M James (arrived later), T Matthews, R Osborne, T Parry (Vice, arrived later), J Postians and J Pritchard (Chair)

Clerk: C Mortimer

In Attendance: Mr Sidney Inseal Bargoed & Blackwood Wings Officer and Chairman to the Royal Air Force Association and Standard Bearer

Chair Cllr Judith Pritchard warmly welcomed everyone to the meeting

90 Cheque Presentation to Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

Chair Cllr Judith Pritchard presented a cheque to the sum of £260, which were monies raised through a raffle at our grant and presentation afternoon at Llancaiach Fawr last year, to Mr Sidney Inseal, who was in attendance to accept the cheque on behalf of the Bargoed Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.

Mr Inseal thanked members for the donation.

91 Apologies

An apology was received from Cllr C Bezzina who is on approved leave of absence until December. County Councillors W David, M James and T Parry would be late arriving to the meeting due to them attending a Caerphilly County Borough Council (CCBC) Special Meeting. Apologies were also received from Cllr D Cushing due to family commitments, Cllr S Milford due to work commitments and Cllr A Angel due to other commitments.

92 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 T Matthews declared an interest in minute no. 106 Gelligaer Allotment Association Application No.30

Mr Inseal left the chamber.

93 Chair's Announcements

Chair Cllr Judith Pritchard announced the following:

- Attended a Big Energy Saving Network meeting with Melin Homes
- A letter of thanks received from Melody Makers for their grant
- Aneurin Bevan Community Network event on Thurs 21st November 12.30pm at Rodney Parade – they are looking for champions to share key information on developments in relation to health and care services within the health board.

94 Minutes

Minutes of an **ORDINARY FULL COUNCIL** meeting held on **25th September 2019** were received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

Cllr Martyn James arrived at the meeting

95 Matters Arising – there were no minutes arising

**96 Environment (Wales) Act 2016 Part 1
Guidance for Section 6 – The Biodiversity and Resilience of Ecosystems Duty –
Frequently Asked Questions**

Members noted and approved the Guidance produced by the Welsh Government to assist and support public authorities to comply with the Biodiversity and Resilience of Ecosystems duty (the S6 duty) in the exercise of functions in relation to Wales, introduced by Section 6 under Part 1 of the Environment (Wales) Act 2016.

The clerk will be meeting with other clerks within the borough to draft a plan and a reporting template

97 Projects

(i) Project Summary – the following 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
- 11 Cwm Calon – installation of notice board at the newly installed park and near f/path
£1,200 plus installation costs of £250
- 12 Lewis Boys Pengam – to research WW1 Henry Edwards and clean grave at Hengoed Chapel
estimated cost £500
- 13 Library, Ystrad Mynach – install a new notice board
- 14 Ystrad Mynach Public Toilets – Refurbish and maintain for 5 months £7600
(move item to annual projects in 2020/21)
- 15 Glanynant Park – Supply bench at £245, assembly and installation cost tbc
- 16 Poppies - purchase 200 lamp post poppies and ties for various locations £363

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) Panto letters, posters and tickets were distributed to members

(iii) Increase panto tickets to £1 next year was discussed

(iv) Toilet update was received – it was noted that we currently have in place a Tenancy at Will whilst the refurbishment work is being undertaken and until we have been granted a Lease.

98 Armistice Service Sunday 10th November 2019

(i) Notices of Services in our area were received, noted and displayed on social media and noticeboards.

(ii) Wreaths were collected for:

- Cefn Hengoed & Hengoed Memorial – Cllr Judith Pritchard
- Tiryberth Memorial – Cllr Jodie Postians
- St Cattwg's Church – Cllr Thomas Matthews
- Ystrad Mynach Cenotaph – Cllr Martyn James

(iii) Lamp post poppies – Members noted that CCBC Highways have insisted that Chapter 8 signage be used when installing poppies. Clerk to issue risk assessment, hi –visibility waistcoats, cones and signage.

99 Ystrad Mynach Fayre 16th November 2019 10am - 5pm

The following items were agreed:

(i) Fronting stall

Cllr Richard Osborne and Clerk are to set up stall and remain all day.

9am – 1pm: Cllrs Chris David, Wynne David, W Griffiths and Jodie Postians

1pm – 5pm: Cllrs Judith Pritchard and Teresa Parry.

(ii) As agreed to clear promotional stock and no balloons this year for environmental reasons.

(iii) Cllr Richard Osborne to distribute letter to no more than 10 traders for raffle donations

(iv) Santa's Grotto – clerk to purchase 400 selection boxes, priced at £1 per box. Grotto decorations to be collected by Cllr Martyn James from office on Friday before for Catrin and Sophie to set up.

(v) Cllrs Martyn James and Alan Angel are to front the grotto all day.

100 Presentation at Llancaiach Fawr

(i) Nominations for awards were received and approved for the Volunteer's Service Award for Mrs Marion Perring, Mrs Linda Cushing and Mr William Summers. Clerk will arrange framed certificates and gifts.

(ii) It was approved that proceeds this year from the raffle at Llancaiach will be donated to the new Breast Care Unit at Ysbyty Ystrad Fawr. Emma Wilkins, Fund Raising Manager at Ysbyty Ystrad Fawr will be attending the presentation.

101 Autumn Winter Weed Control

Members are to provide the Clerk with areas within their ward that requires grubbing out, strimming, weed spraying and cleansing to footpaths, rear lanes etc. at the meeting for the clerk to submit to CCBC by 4th November for work to start from 11th November.

102 Planning Applications – it was noted that there were no planning applications received.

103 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.

104 Motion passed for the exclusion of press and public

105 (i) Bank Statements (tabled on pink paper)

Bank statements no's 93,92,21,20,32 & 31 were received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

106 Financial Assistance 2019/20 – (all on pink paper).

- Bargoed Male Voice Choir Application No.23
RESOLVED: Council agreed the sum of £400 be granted to Bargoed Male Voice Choir
- Cascade Allotment Association Application No.24
RESOLVED: Council agreed the sum of £350 be granted to Cascade Allotment Association
- Cascade Scrabble Club Application No.25
RESOLVED: Council agreed the sum of £100 be granted to Cascade Scrabble Club
- Derwendeg PTA Application No.26
RESOLVED: Council agreed the sum of £300 be granted to Derwendeg PTA
- Bargoed & District Art Society Application No.27
RESOLVED: Council agreed the sum of £250 be granted to Bargoed & District Art Society
- Caffi Calvary Application No.28
RESOLVED: Council agreed the sum of £350 be granted to Caffi Calvary

- Cascade Crafters Application No.29
RESOLVED: Council agreed the sum of £100 be granted to Cascade Crafters

Cllr T Matthews declared an interest in the next item and played no part in the discussion

- Gelligaer Allotments Association Application No.30
RESOLVED: Council agreed the sum of £350 be granted to Gelligaer Allotments Association

Cllr T Matthews returned to discussions

- Gelligaer History Society Application No.31
RESOLVED: Council agreed the sum of £200 be granted to Gelligaer History Society

- Gelligaer Local History Appreciation Society Application No.32
RESOLVED: Council agreed the sum of £200 be granted to Gelligaer Local History Appreciation Society

- Ystrad Mynach OAP's Application No.33
RESOLVED: Council agreed the sum of £375 be granted to Ystrad Mynach OAP's

107 Projects / Quotations (tabled on pink papers)

(i) Ystrad Mynach Toilets

Specification & quotation in respect of additional refurbishment works to the public toilet at Ystrad Mynach was received and discussed.

RESOLVED: Council agreed the specification and quotation for additional work at a cost of £2,810 plus VAT

(ii) Planters in Ystrad Mynach & Gelligaer

RESOLVED: Council agreed to adopt, plant up and maintain the planters in the town at an estimated cost of £200

Cllr Wynne David arrived at the meeting.

(iii) Quotation for the installation of hardstanding and assembly of the captain's bench at Glanynant Park was received

RESOLVED: Council agreed to the cost of £350 plus VAT

(iv) Cefn Hengoed /Hengoed Memorial

RESOLVED: Council agreed to the Clerk weeding the rear of the memorial stone, laying membrane and Cotswold stone chippings at an estimated cost for materials £50 - £75

(v) Black Ash Path, Hengoed Avenue to New Road Tiryberth – removal of vegetation and making good, overlay and widening existing

Council received and noted quotation received from CCBC to the sum of £31k - £73k (depending on state of footpath and whether full excavation required)

Cllr Martyn James to request further breakdown and specification

(vi) Kissing Gate, The Walk Ystrad Mynach – removal of vegetation, realignment of existing footpath

Council received and noted quotation received from CCBC to the sum of approximately £17k

Cllr Martyn James to request further breakdown and specification.

108 Motion passed for the meeting to re-open to press and public

109 Next Ordinary Meeting Date: 27th November (following our Fayre 16th & Presentation 23rd)

Meeting Closed at 9.00pm

Signed: _____ **Chair**

Date: 27th November 2019