

## GELLIGAER COMMUNITY COUNCIL

### Minutes of the ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING (HYBRID) of Gelligaer Community Council held on Wednesday 23rd June 2021, 7.00pm in a hybrid format at the Youth Centre Cefn Hengoed in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021.

#### PRESENT

**Councillors:** \*A Angel (Vice), \*C Bezzina, D Cushing (Chair), C David, \*W David, M James, T Matthews, A McCarthy, \*T Parry, J Postians and J Pritchard.

Clerk: C Mortimer

\* Denotes remote attendance

*Chair Cllr Donna Cushing welcomed everyone to the meeting*

#### 23 Apologies

An apology was received from Cllr W Griffiths due to other commitments.

#### 24 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 received.

#### 25 New Chair's Announcements

There is an open day for lady bowlers at Ystrad Mynach Bowling Club on Sunday. Clerk will advertise on Facebook page.

#### 26 Minutes

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#### 30 Finance to 17<sup>th</sup> June 2021

##### (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.

##### (iii) Bank Statements

Bank statements no 19, 40 and 57, 58 & 59 were received, approved and signed as an accurate record.

### **31 Audit Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021**

(i) Members received and noted correspondence from Audit Wales regarding audit of accounts and arrangements for Community & Town Councils in relation to electors rights and inspections.

(ii) **RESOLVED:** Members received and approved:

- Bank Reconciliation,
- Explanation of Variances greater/less than 10%
- Assets
- Debtors & Creditors
- Audit Notice of Electors Rights to Inspect Accounts (for display from 6<sup>th</sup> August 2021)

(iii) **RESOLVED:** Members received, noted and approved Internal Audit Report

(iv) **RESOLVED:** Members received and approved Annual Return to include Annual Governance Statement (Part 1) which was duly signed by the Chair and Clerk/RFO.

**32 Financial Assistance/Grants 2021/22** – there were no applications received.

### **33 Projects 2021/22**

#### **A - Project No:**

#### **(6) Pantomimes - Once Upon a Time Theatre Company**

Members agreed and noted that audiences will be halved this year, we will double the number of performances per venue. Theatre company will confirm dates.

#### **(7) Presentation at Llancaiach Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2021 2.00-4.00pm**

Members noted that the venue had been booked for 50 people

#### **(9) Ystrad Mynach Toilet – anticipated opening in July (exact date tbc)**

(i) **RESOLVED:** Members agreed to quote to freshen up the toilets following the closure in over a year with some minor decoration is required along with erecting Covid safety signage and hand sanitizers.

(ii) **RESOLVED:** Members agreed that delegated powers be given to the clerk to undertake the necessary checks for Legionella and a renewed electrical certificate prior to opening.

(iii) **RESOLVED:** Members agreed increased daily cleaner costs at £22.00 due to additional Covid cleansing measures required

#### **(10) Christmas Market – Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2021(possibly changing to 27<sup>th</sup>)**

Members noted that we awaiting confirmation from CCBC as to whether this event will take place. We will have an input how we would like it to look.

#### **(15) Phone Boxes**

**RESOLVED:** Council agreed to a verbal quote of £200 from Emlyn Lloyd to glaze each box due to some panes missing, scratched perspex and others are not toughened glass. Clerk to contact Lewis Girls and Coleg y Cymoedd for further update.

#### **(16) Glyngaer Primary School - Roll of Honour (removed from Horeb Chapel, Gelligaer due to conversion to a dwelling)**

This item was deferred until the next meeting. The clerk is to establish the porosity of the stone which will in turn have a bearing on whether the roll of honour is to be sited in or outdoors.

## **(24) Town Centre Improvements (£5k)**

Members discussed the issues throughout the town such as weed control, Siloh square planting, lamp posts peeling, graffiti on bus shelter. Clerk will arrange a meeting between Ward Members and CCBC Officers to rectify.

**RESOLVED:** Council agreed to a mural being installed on the wall of Premier Stores. Clerk to obtain quotes.

**RESOLVED:** Council agreed to purchase additional hanging baskets and rail planters throughout the town for next year.

**RESOLVED:** Council agreed to place a black planter on the pavement near the Beach Tree public house to prevent drivers from parking on the pavement.

**B - Project Summary** – was received and discussed

## **C - New Project Proposals:**

- **Keep Wales Tidy – Local Places for Nature (no cost to GCC)**

Clerk has been liaising with Cllr Jodie Postians and is in the process of submitting an application for a development package for Tiryberth (near the football field). CCBC's Parks Services and Ecological Officer Margaret Isles have just given the go ahead (18/06/2021).

- **Asquith Street, Tiryberth – mural**

**RESOLVED:** Council agreed to a mural. Clerk to obtain designs and costs.

- **Festoon lighting - Emlyn Lloyd, Ystrad Mynach**

Members noted that Emlyn Lloyd are having scaffolding erected around shop to install a new roof. Festoon lighting will therefore to be dismantled from the shop front by our Christmas lighting contractors Centregreat at no charge.

## **34 Planning Applications**

Planning applications were received and discussed.

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

Email: 14/06/2021

Case Ref. 21/0555/FULL Site Area: 2308m<sup>2</sup>

Location: Tophill Cottage And Alpine Cottage Gelligaer Road Gelligaer Hengoed CF82 8FY (UPRN 000043087833)

Proposal: Erect new front fence adjoining road

Case Officer: Mike Jones ☐ 01443 864528 ☐ [jonesm5@caerphilly.gov.uk](mailto:jonesm5@caerphilly.gov.uk)

Ward: St Cattwg Map Ref: 312233 (E) 196941 (N)

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council Expected Decision Level: Delegated

**RESOLVED:** No objection

Email: 04/06/2021

Case Ref. 21/0543/FULL Site Area: 268m<sup>2</sup>

Location: 26 Trosnant Crescent Penybryn Hengoed CF82 7FU (UPRN 000043011516)

Proposal: Erect porch to front elevation

Case Officer: Mike Jones ☐ 01443 864528 ☐ [jonesm5@caerphilly.gov.uk](mailto:jonesm5@caerphilly.gov.uk)

Ward: St Cattwg Map Ref: 313607 (E) 196229 (N)

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council Expected Decision Level: Delegated

**RESOLVED:** No objection

Case Ref.21/0545/FULL Site Area: 192m<sup>2</sup>  
Location: 90 Bedwlwyn Road Ystrad Mynach Hengoed CF82 7AE (UPRN 000043018614)  
Proposal: Carry out alteration to front bay window, erect single storey rear extension and rear dormer extension to loft  
Case Officer: Jacob Cooke ☐01443 864347 ☐cookej1@caerphilly.gov.uk  
Ward: Ystrad Mynach Map Ref: 314798 (E) 194591 (N)  
Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council Expected Decision Level: Delegated  
**RESOLVED:** No objection

Email: 28/05/2021

Case Ref. 21/0255/LA Site Area: 2174m<sup>2</sup>  
Location: CCBC - Parks Operations Units 3-9 (odds) South Road Penallta Industrial Estate Penallta Hengoed CF82 7ST(UPRN 000043167117)  
Proposal: Change the use from a parks department depot to a domestic re-use facility  
Case Officer: Carwyn Powell ☐ 01443 864424 ☐ powelc2@caerphilly.gov.uk  
Ward: St Cattwg Map Ref: 314033 (E) 196134 (N)  
Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council Expected Decision Level:Committee  
**RESOLVED:** No objection

**35 Next meeting Date: Ordinary Meeting on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> July 2021, 7pm at Tiryberth Village Hall – Hybrid.**

**Meeting closed: 8.30pm**

**Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Chair 28<sup>th</sup> July 2021.**