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**NOTICE OF ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY 28<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2024 at 7.00pm**

22<sup>nd</sup> February 2024

**Chair and Members of Gelligaer Community Council**

**Dear Chair/Councillors**

You are summoned to attend the **ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING** of Gelligaer Community Council which will be held on **WEDNESDAY 28<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 7.00pm** at Gelligaer Community Council Office, Llwyn Onn, Penpedairheol, Hengoed CF82 8BB

The meeting will be in a MULTI-LOCATIONAL format in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021.

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The business to be transacted is set out in the agenda below.

Yours sincerely

Ceri Mortimer

Clerk to the Council

### **AGENDA**

**1. Apologies**

**2. Declarations of Interest**

Councillors and Officers are 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.

**3. Police Update for St Cattwg, Hengoed and Ystrad Mynach Wards** – to receive and discuss reports for November and to receive an update in relation Operation Harley and the persistent illegal off road bikes using Pottery Lane and Black Ash Path between Cefn Hengoed and Tiryberth. Despite barriers being reinstated on Pottery Lane the problem of off-road biking persists. Pedestrian safety, including children, is being compromised.

**4. Public Participation** - members of the public are requested to speak with the clerk in advance of the meeting should they wish to address members on a particular agenda item

**5. Chair's Announcements**

**6. Minutes**

To receive and if approved to confirm and sign the **Minutes of the ORDINARY COUNCIL meeting held on 24/01/2024** as an accurate record.

**7. Matters Arising**

Due to the 21 day statutory deadline closing for comments prior to our monthly meeting, the Clerk exercised her delegated powers to respond on the following planning application:  
Re: Case Ref. 24/0046/FULL Site Area: 91m<sup>2</sup> Location: Ying Wah Cascade Fish Bar 1 Pengam Road Penpedairheol Hengoed CF82 8BT (UPRN 000043164825) Proposal: Erect rear two storey and single extension, replace existing garage roof, reposition existing extraction unit from rear to side, erect single front extension and modify existing front ramp and step access Case Officer: Joe Simmons ( 07874 641751 : [simmoj1@caerphilly.gov.uk](mailto:simmoj1@caerphilly.gov.uk) Ward: St Cattwg Map Ref: 314145 (E) 197519 (N) Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council Expected Decision Level: Delegated

Gelligaer Community Council objects to this application on the grounds that an extension may interfere with visibility for vehicles turning left out of Hospital Road onto Pengam Road. This is such a busy crossroads with cars often parking on the double yellow lines close to the junction, therefore posing a hazard. Restricting visibility further with an extension may exacerbate the issue.

Furthermore, an extension would have a visually negative impact, contrasting greatly with neighbouring properties and not in keeping with the character of the properties on the street.

**8. Finance to 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2024**

**(i) Balance of Funds**

To receive, confirm and approve 'Balance of Funds' document

**(ii) Bank Statements**

To receive, confirm and approve bank statement no. 57, 73, 16 & 101

**(iii) Transfer of Funds**

Members are requested to transfer the sum of £40k from the Lloyds Business Bank Instant Account no\*\*\*\*\*440, which pays interest at 1.31%, to the higher interest paying 32 Day Notice Bank Account no.\*\*\*\*\*961, which pays a higher interest rate of 2.63%

A council resolution is required.

**(iv) Employers National Insurance Contributions 2023/24**

Members are requested to ratify the payment of £1436.60 to HMRC PAYE for an underpayment of £143.66 x 10 months (April 23 – Jan 24) omitted in error by Playworks from the Employment Payment Record.

**(v) Palestine Red Crescent Society (PRCS)**

Members are requested to ratify that following difficulties at Lloyds bank in transferring an international payment to Palestine, a payment of £540.20 (monies raised at the Christmas Fayre raffle and grotto) was paid directly online to the PRCS. In order to pay this directly to the PRCS, it had to be converted to US dollars which equated to \$680 (there may be a small commission to pay, which will be reported to the next meeting).

- 9. Financial Assistance/Grants 2023/24 – (late applications may be tabled)**
- (i) 1<sup>st</sup> Ystrad Mynach Scouts
  - (ii) Cwm Calon Community Association
  - (iii) Melody Makers (to be tabled)
- 10. Biodiversity/Eco Officer Update and Contract**
- (i) To receive and note report
  - (ii) To receive and approve proposal
  - (iii) Our Eco Officer's contract ceases at the end of March 2024. Members are requested to consider extending for a further year, under the same terms and conditions. A council resolution is required.
- 11. SLCC Membership 2024/25**
- Members are requested to consider renewing the clerk's membership at a cost of £238, to be shared with LLPCC. (£158 GCC/ £80 LLPCC)
- 12. Newsletter – to receive sample and discuss other topics for inclusion.**
- 13. Projects**
- (i) Ystrad Mynach Spring Fayre 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2024 9-5pm.**
- To discuss & resolve:
- a. Stall cover
  - b. Panto cover 10am, 11am, 12.00, 1pm, 3pm, & 4pm
  - c. Tickets for panto
  - d. Raffle – to decide on a charitable organisation for proceeds.
  - e. To receive and consider seed packets and other promotional items.
- (ii) Llancaiach Presentation**
- To discuss & resolve:
- a. Comperes x 2 required
  - b. Members available to attend
  - c. Nominations required for Champion Citizen's Award
  - d. Entertainment
  - e. Raffle – to decide on a charitable organisation for proceeds.
- (iii) Melody Makers new project proposal**
- To receive and discuss - letter to be tabled.
- (iv) Ysbyty Ystrad Fawr FM – labels**
- To receive and discuss quote.
- (v) Wales in Bloom 2024 – Ystrad Mynach**
- To receive and discuss entry fees into the Wales in Bloom competition and members are requested to consider entering Ystrad Mynach again this year, under small town category, at a cost of £120 (electorate no. of 4,122)
- (vi) Project Summary 2023/24 – to receive and discuss**
- 14. Dust Monitor Update**
- 15. Vacancies exist - Minor Authority Representative on the Board of Governors at**
- Ysgol Bro Allta (deferred from last meeting) - Nominations required
- 16. Training for 2023/24**
- (i) To receive OVW training for 2024/25 (Jan – March)
  - (ii) To receive and to update training plan

**17. CCBC Waste & Recycling Strategy Consultation**

(i) To receive and comment

**18. Decarbonisation/Green Projects** – deferred for further information and an alternative date.

**19. Tablets and emails**

Members are requested to bring their GCC tablets and boxes to the meeting to determine correct email addresses.

**20. Planning Applications** (any additional applications will be tabled at meeting)

To receive & discuss planning applications. 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.

**21. Next meeting Date: ORDINARY Meeting on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2024, 7.00pm Gelligaer Community Council office.**