

PENDOYLAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL CYNGOR CYMUNED PENDEULWYN

A Meeting of Pendoylan Community Council was held on Thursday 11 June 2014 at 8.00 pm in Pendoylan Church in Wales Primary School

1. PRESENT: Councillor S Parnell (in the Chair), Councillors R Rees, G Thomas, S Wigley, C Tutton and J Llewellyn. Also present L Weeding and J Roberts (Clerk)

2. APOLOGIES: Councillor P Fox, Vale Councillor R Traherne and PCSO Steve Thomas

3. MINUTES: The Minutes of the Meeting held on 8 May 2014 were approved and signed

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None

5. MATTERS ARISING:

(a) PAT Test /tree lights – Councillor Rees confirmed he will arrange this **RR**

(b) School Governor Representative: It has been confirmed that Ann Thomas from Welsh St Donat's Community Council will take on this role from next September. The Vale Council to be notified. It was agreed that Cllr Thomas be asked to submit reports when appropriate to Pendoylan Community Council **JR**

(c) Playground Grass: The Clerk had ascertained that additional 2 weekly cuts from the end of June until the end of September would cost £208.01. It was agreed to go ahead with this and the Vale Council to be notified accordingly **JR**

(d) Website: Cllr Parnell hoped to have more information in this regard by the next meeting **SP**

(e) Additional Village Representatives: The Clerk had approached Mandy Patterson but she was unable to commit at this time. Cllr Parnell and L Weeding agreed to make additional enquiries **SP/LW**

6. APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIR: It was not possible to pursue this in Cllr Newman's absence and is to be diarised for the next meeting. **ALL**

7. REPORT FROM COMMUNITY POLICE OFFICER: PCSO Steve Thomas advised that there had been no reported crimes in the parish in the last month

8. REPORT FROM Vale Councillor Traherne:

(a) LDP - Council Officers are now examining all the sites and comments that were submitted as part of the Alternative Site Process. The Draft LDP will reappear in the Spring of 2015 and then submitted to the Inspector.

(b) Challenges – The Vale Council is facing many challenges at present but the 3 most difficult are Social Services Budget, Schools and Asset repair and renewal

(c) Car Parking Charges: the Vale Council wishes to introduce car parking charges both in car parks and "on street" in its major towns. Consultants have been appointed to report to the Council but no details of this are yet available.

(d) Library Service: The Vale Council has "re-modelled" the Library Service which has involved reducing the hours of the main Town Libraries and turning the smaller ones into "volunteer libraries"

9. MEETINGS: None attended

10. PLANNING MATTERS:

(a) Renishaws: The Clerk confirmed she had chased Renishaw's Consultants to provided the promised outstanding information

(b) CCFC: No further news in respect of this application

(c) Other: A planning application had been received for an extension to No. 5 Hensol Villas, Hensol and a revised application for the construction of an eco-centre visitors and educational building at Old Carriageway Stables, Hensol. The revision comprised a Transport Statement. After some discussion Council decided to make no representation to the Vale Council in respect of either application. Planning Consent had been

granted to Llanerch Vineyard for use of a marquee between April & September but it was noted that the marquee and ancillary structures are to be removed between October & March

11. CORRESPONDENCE: As per attached list with particular reference to:

- (a) Clerks' Meeting 2 July 2014 - The Clerk will arrange to attend this if possible.
- (b) Western Power - The Clerk had received a presentation pack containing items necessary to cope with a power cut or emergency. It was agreed this be presented to the School

JL

12. FINANCE/CLERK'S REPORT:

(a) 2013/14 Accounts: Clerk confirmed that the first audit of the 2013/14 Accounts had been completed. The Auditor's report was noted which confirmed there were no unexplained issues. The Clerk then presented the said Annual Return to the Council for approval and this together with the Annual Governance Statement were unanimously approved and signed by the Chair and Clerk. A copy of the said Return will now be submitted to the Welsh Assembly's Accountants for approval.

JR

(b) Financial position as at 11 June 2014:

Current Account	£6,101.57
Jubilee Account	<u>605.78</u>
Total:	£6,707.35

Payments to be made:

Clerk's salary (Apr-June) (net)	661.62
HMRC (tax on salary)	165.41
David Barnard – Audit fee	55.00
Account Book	70.80
Clerk's expenses	113.88

The above payments were approved

(c) CASH Grant – The Clerk confirmed she had made enquiries as to whether a grant application would be possible to secure a whiteboard for the school. A response was awaited.

13. BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION : The Community Council had been requested to reconsider its decision not to enter the Competition this year as only 2 villages have entered. However, after further discussion it was agreed to stand by the previous decision not to take part in the Competition this year.

14. COMMUNITY MOWER: It was noted that the current community mower was now beyond repair and it was clear that a new one should be purchased urgently. After some discussion it was agreed that Cllrs Parnell, Thomas, Tutton and Rees would seek advice and once a new machine had been agreed upon and purchased the Clerk was authorised to make the appropriate payment. Arrangements for the disposal of the old mower were to be considered.

SP/CT/GT/RR/JR

15. ROAD ISSUES:

(a) Driver Feedback Signage for Hensol/Pendoylan: Cllr Traherne had enquired whether this could also be shared with Peterston on a rotation basis but after some consideration it was agreed not to include Peterston as these works were being funded by the Hensol \$106 monies which had already been depleted by the Vale Council. It was also agreed that the signage should be installed in Pendoylan initially. Cllr Traherne to be advised accordingly

JR

(b) Double yellow lines/Heol St Cattwg: Steve Thomas of the Vale Council had advised that these works would be completed by the end of December 2013 but it is understood that this scheme is now in competition with other similar schemes across the entire Vale

and there is uncertainty whether it will proceed at all. Cllr Traherne had been asked to enquire the current position and it was noted that Steve Thomas had apologized. He had been unable to obtain the necessary funding. These works will now have to be funded from their general Traffic Management budget. He stated that once he received confirmation of his budget allocation he would be able to confirm whether this scheme would or would not be implemented this year.

(c) S106 monies: The Vale Council had confirmed that the original Hensol S106 monies were £68,688 but after deduction of 25 per cent to fund the Greenlinks Bus Service there remains £51,516. The total cost of the Hensol/Pendoylan signage schemes is estimated to be £22,000 which will leave approximately £30,000 for consideration for further spending which could be used to enhance PROW links in the vicinity.

16. SUMMER FUNCTION: Councillor Llewellyn advised that she will now be on holiday on 12 July next, the date agreed for the Summer Function. It was therefore decided that this now be held on Bank Holiday Monday August 25th. Arrangements to be discussed at the next meeting

ALL

17. COUNCILLORS' ISSUES:

(a) Potholes: These are still a problem but it was noted that some of the more urgent potholes have been repaired

(b) Cllr Parnell advised regarding a blocked drain in Tredodridge. She will arrange to report this

SP

18. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA: Matters arising from these minutes

19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Thursday 10 July 2014 at 7.45 pm to be held at Pendoylan Church in Wales Primary School.

The Meeting was closed at 9.45 pm