

PENDOYLAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL CYNGOR CYMUNED PENDEULWYN

A Meeting of Pendoylan Community Council was held on Thursday 12 March 2015 at 7.30 pm in Pendoylan Church in Wales Primary School

1. PRESENT: Councillor S Parnell (in the Chair), Councillors C Tutton, R Rees and J Llewellyn, H Hanmer and J Roberts (Clerk). Also present Vale Councillor R Traherne and Andrew Chiplen

2. APOLOGIES: S Wigley, P Fox, G Thomas, J Welsh, L Weeding and PCSO Steve Thomas. It was agreed the Community Council's best wishes be extended to Cllr Fox who is currently in hospital. **JR**

3. MINUTES: The Minutes of the Meeting held on 12 February 2015 were approved and signed.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None

5. MATTERS ARISING:

(a) Storage facility: The Clerk confirmed she had purchased an album for the old photographs found in the filing cabinet. Cllr Parnell kindly agreed to take the old Minute Books to the Archives for storage. **SP**

(b) Royal Glamorgan Hospital Ambulance Service: The Clerk advised that the requisite consent form had been signed and sent to the Ambulance Service and a response is now awaited. **JR**

(c) Playground: Confirmation is still awaited that the latch has been fixed to the playground gate. It was agreed to ascertain the present situation regarding the problem dog and if necessary contact to be made with the Dog Warden **JW/JR**

(d) Community Mower Insurance: The Clerk confirmed that the agreed letters had been written to each of the authorized mower users which she will now hand deliver. It was noted that the mower must be serviced in June in accordance with the terms of its guarantee. This will be diarised. **JR**

(e) School issues: Cllr Rees advised that as the School premises are used by various groups in the evenings the outside lights must remain on and access gates left open. It was noted that the School has now been upgraded from Amber to Yellow. The Clerk is awaiting a key for access to the School for future Council Meetings **JR**

(f) BT Broadband: The Clerk confirmed she had written to BT to complain about the poor coverage in this parish **JR**

6. REPORT FROM COMMUNITY POLICE OFFICER: PCSO Thomas had advised there were no reported crimes in the parish in the last month

7. REPORT FROM COUNCILLOR TRAHERNE:

(a) The Vale Council's budget for 2015/16 has been set. There has been a reduction in funding of 3.4% and not 4.5% as feared. Council Tax will increase by 3.9%

(b) Reforming Local Government White Paper: Cllr Traherne estimates that a decision to merge the Vale Council with Cardiff is inevitable and will be made in 2016. This will inevitably see a reduction of Community Councils by merging them into possibly just 7 Councils to make them big enough to take on more responsibilities. This is unlikely to occur until at least 2022.

(c) Five Mile Lane improvement – the Welsh Assembly has commissioned the Vale Council to carry out the works but stipulates that the Vale Council will have to bear any additional cost if over budget. There is therefore currently an impasse as the Vale Council is not prepared to underwrite the risk.

8. CASUAL VACANCY: The Clerk advised that permission to co-opt had been received from the Vale Council. A formal application had been received from Andrew Chiplen. L Weeding, J Welsh and H Hanmer had confirmed they did not wish to apply for the Councillor vacancy. Therefore it was proposed by Cllr Parnell that Andrew Chiplen be co-opted as a Councillor. This was seconded by Cllr Rees and unanimously agreed and the Declaration of Acceptance duly signed and witnessed. The Clerk will arrange to notify the Vale Council accordingly. **JR**

9. DEFIBRILLATOR: The Clerk reported that she had met with Rev E Counsell and W Leigh to discuss the request for a parish defibrillator and it was agreed in the first instance that a public meeting be held in the school possibly on 28 April 2015 to enable a demonstration and discussion to take place **JR**

10. MEETINGS:

(a) One Voice Wales: Consultancy services are now available to Councils

(b) Community Liaison Committee: Cllr Tutton advised he would be unable to attend the meeting on 18 March 2015.

11. PLANNING MATTERS:

(a) No applications had been received.

(b) Cllr Chiplen agreed to fill the current vacancy on the Planning Committee

(c) Cllr Parnell requested that Cllr Traherne enquire the present position with regard to the installation of a ménage at Ty Wyth Stables **JR/RT**

(d) Cllr Traherne advised there was no news regarding the CCFC and Renishaw Applications

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

(a) Notification by the Vale Council of waste management and cleansing chargeable items as from April 2015

(b) New Chapter for libraries in the Vale

(c) Notification of Chief Inspector Mark Hobrough's contact details

(d) Contact One Vale's new opening hours

(e) Cardiff & Vale University Health Board – Minutes of meeting held on 10 February 2015

(f) Written Statement by the Welsh Government regarding the cost of Senior Management in Local Government

13. FINANCE/CLERK'S REPORT:

(a) Financial position as at 12 February 2015

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| Current Account | | £4,926.70 |
| Jubilee Account | | <u>563.81</u> |
| Total: | | £5,490.51 |
| Payments to be made: | | |
| Clerk's salary (Jan-Mar) | 698.26 | |
| HMRC (tax on salary) | 174.56 | |
| Clerk's expenses | 110.60 | |
| Allotment Rent | 1.00 | |
| SWALEC Xmas lighting | 29.41 | |
| Petrol | 14.84 | |
| Williams Ross Ltd (Final Payroll) | <u>36.00</u> | <u>1,064.67</u> |
| | | £4,425.84 |

(b) The Clerk advised that the Community Council's financial year ends 31 March 2015 and she will provide a summary of finances as soon as possible thereafter **JR**

14. RISK ASSESSMENT: H Hanmer had supplied a sample risk assessment pro forma for consideration and it was agreed the Clerk assist her in completing this **JR/HH**

15. ROAD ISSUES:

(a) Double yellow lines/Heol St Cattwg: Confirmation had been received from Steve Arthur that the Vale Council intends to proceed with the installation of double yellow lines into Heol St Cattwg towards the end of March/early April. He also advised that school "keep clear" markings and an access protection marking will be provided along the main road. This marking will be advisory only but it will allow the school and the Vale's Road Safety Dept. to deploy green cones on the marking to stop inappropriate parking during busy morning and afternoon peaks.

(b) Speed: The Vale Council have also confirmed that they have agreed with the Camera Partnership to enforce speeds through Pendoylan Village. This will be a temporary/mobile site comprising an enforcement van or motorbike on occasion during the next 12 months following which the conditions will be reviewed.

(c) Flooding and Tyn y Plancu Junction concerns: The Vale Council have confirmed they will investigate these matters **JR**

(d) Litter at J34/M4: A litter-pick has now been carried out by the Vale Council

16. S106 MONIES/HENSOL: Cllr Traherne had ascertained that the PROW work has already commenced in Hensol

17. COUNCILLORS' ISSUES:

(a) Hensol planters – volunteers to maintain the planters are required and it was agreed a request to this effect be placed in the parish magazine **JR**

(b) Benches – estimates are to be sought for treatment of the 11 benches in the parish **JR**

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

19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Thursday 9 April 2015 at 7.30 pm to be held in Pendoylan Church in Wales Primary School.

The Meeting was closed at 9.35 pm