

PENDOYLAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL CYNGOR CYMUNED PENDEULWYN

Prior to the Meeting, members of the Community Council were given a short presentation by Bridget Palmer on behalf of Age Connects.

A Meeting of Pendoylan Community Council was held on Thursday 8 December 2016 at 7.30 pm in Pendoylan Church in Wales Primary School

1. PRESENT: Councillor A Chiplen (in the Chair), Councillors C Tutton, R Rees, S Wigley, H Hanmer, G Thomas, S Parnell, P Fox, J Roberts (Clerk), PC Mark Goulding & PCSO Sarah Johnson & Vale Councillor R Traherne

2. APOLOGIES: Cllrs J Llewellyn, L Weeding and J Welsh

3. MINUTES: The Minutes of the Meeting held on 10 November 2016 were approved and signed.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None

5. MATTERS ARISING:

(a) Risk Assessment – S Parnell confirmed she was now arranging for this to be placed on the Community website. Thanks were expressed to H Hanmer for her hard work compiling this SP

(b) Playground – The Clerk had advised the Vale Council that the matting around the equipment required cleaning but it is not known whether this has yet been attended to. The Clerk will check the position JR

6. REPORT FROM COMMUNITY POLICE OFFICER:

(a) PCSO situation: PC Mark Goulding advised that PCSO Byrne had been moved to another area. He introduced PCSO Sarah Johnson and advised that she, together with PCSO Sam Jones, will be taking his place. The Clerk stated that she had been instructed to notify Inspector Gary Smart of future Community Council Meetings and advised that he had subsequently spoken to her to confirm he will endeavour to attend as many meetings as possible.

(b) Crimes: With regard to crimes in the parish in the last 2 months, PC Goulding reported that there had been a theft at Llanerch Vineyard, a burglary in Hensol and theft from a vehicle parked at J34/M4.

(c) HGVs: With regard to HGVs cutting through Pendoylan, Cllr Fox had reported several issues. The situation is being monitored and will be reviewed in January 2017.

(d) Night patrols: Mark confirmed these will take place when possible

(e) Drink/Drive Campaign: The seasonal "drink/drive" campaign is now under way.

(f) Crime Prevention Leaflets: Mark will deliver these to the Clerk next week for circulation around the parish

PC Goulding and PCSO Johnson then left the meeting.

7. REPORT FROM COUNCILLOR TRAHERNE:

(a) Police Support: Cllr Traherne confirmed that Inspector Smart is keen to improve relationships with communities and is aware of concerns regarding lack of deterrents etc. but has given his assurance this will improve. With regard to the HGV situation (6(c) above refers) Cllr Traherne stated that it is important this is pursued as it is not high on the list of police priorities.

(b) Budget: The Vale Council will suffer a 0.35% reduction in its budget for the next financial year and not 3% as feared but there are still cost pressures, social services being the main one.

(c) Meals on Wheels: The Vale Council will be joining forces with the “Food Shed” to reinstate Meals on Wheels. Cllr Traherne will ascertain & advise when this service will commence.

RT

(d) The Children's Commissioner Report: This has looked into what happens to 18 year olds after leaving care and has revealed that 24 months later 50% are still not in employment or undergoing a course of training. This needs action. The Child & Adolescent Mental Health Service is also poor and needs action

(e) PISA results in Wales: These are not good and show that reading and science standards in Wales are behind England, Scotland and N Ireland. However, Vale school Results were generally better.

8. MEETINGS: None attended

9. PLANNING MATTERS:

Application:

An Application had been received for the refurbishment, reinstatement & extension to The Piggery, Logwood Hill, Peterston Super Ely for agricultural purposes.

The Community Council had no objection to the above application & will advise the Vale Council accordingly

JR

It was noted that the Vale Council has notified Peterston Community Council of this application

Approval:

(a) of application to construct a building to house wood gasification log boiler & cylinder at Ty Newydd y Bryn, Trehedyn Lane, Peterston super Ely

(b) of application to demolish existing sun room & construct a double storey extension at Warren Farm, Pendoylan

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

(a) Jane Hutt AM's 2017 Surgery Dates: It was noted that none of these would take place in Pendoylan and it was agreed Jane be approached to ascertain whether she would be prepared to attend a Community Council Meeting in January or March next year as there were now several issues to bring to her attention

JR

(b) British Red Cross Appeal: Whilst it was accepted that the Community Council is unable to give to this Charity, it was agreed that details of the valuable services provided by the Red Cross to local people should be publicised. S Parnell will arrange for these to be placed on the Community Website together with the information provided by Bridget Palmer of Age Connects as per her presentation. S Parnell will contact the latter to request her consent.

JR/SP

(c) Boundary Commission for Wales: Electoral Review Update was noted

(d) OVW Training Schedule: H Hanmer expressed a wish to attend the course on 17 March 2017 entitled Sustainability (Well Being of Future Generations Act). The Clerk will arrange this

JR

(e) One Voice Wales News - Community & Town Councillors on schools' boards of governors: It was noted that the Welsh Government is considering withdrawing the right of community and town councils to nominate an additional community governor. It was agreed to send a response to the Welsh Government objecting to this. Cllr Traherne

agreed this was a retrograde step and he will look into this. It was also agreed that Ann Thomas, the current additional community governor representing both Welsh St Donats and Pendoylan, be requested to provide an update regarding Pendoylan Church in Wales Primary School matters **JR/RT**

(f) Natural Resources Wales: Details of incidents they do and do not deal with were noted

(g) Warning on Procurement: It was agreed to forward this to Cllr Traherne who in turn would pass it on to the Vale Council for their information **JR/RT**

(h) National Assembly of Wales – Change of Name Consultation: It was agreed to object to this proposal in view of the estimated cost involved **JR**

(i) Article relating to Pendoylan Community Council from 1894-1999: This had been found in the late Thurston Wride's papers. It was agreed this was of historical interest and S Parnell will place it on the Community Website and the Clerk will submit it for inclusion in the next Parish Magazine. **JR/SP**

11. FINANCE/CLERK'S REPORT:

(a) Financial position as at 8 December 2016

Current Account	£4,471.80
Jubilee Account	<u>223.26</u>
Total:	£ 4,695.06

Payments to be made:

J Roberts salary (Oct-Dec)	727.81	
HMRC Tax on Salary	181.67	
J Roberts expenses	169.42	
H Hanmer – Xmas event expenses	90.40	
Alan Wilson & Co -Tree Lights		
Transformer	114.37	
J Roberts - Xmas event expenses	35.97	
Brass Band	150.00	<u>1,469.64</u>

Balance in hand: **£3,225.42**

The above payments were approved

(b) Christmas CASH Grant – The Clerk had telephoned the Vale Council to ascertain the result of her application for a Christmas CASH Grant and was advised that this had now been approved and the sum of £315 will be placed in the Community Council's bank account next week

(c) Amended Code of Conduct & Model Financial Regulations: S Parnell confirmed she will arrange for these to be placed on the Community website **JR**

(d) Budget 2017/18: The Clerk presented a draft budget for 2017/18 based on a precept of £6,000.00. In view of the local elections taking place next May it is not possible at this stage to accurately estimate the potential cost to the Community Council. An allowance of £1,200 for election expenses had therefore been made in the budget under discussion which resulted in a deficit of income for the year 2017/18 in the sum of £1,109.00. After some discussion it was agreed not to seek an increase in the precept for 2017/18 but should the election result in a large expenditure for the Community Council an increase in precept would be considered for the subsequent year. On this basis the budget was approved unanimously as drafted.

12. REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY: A Chiplen and other members of the Community Council attended the Remembrance Service on 13 November 2016. A Chiplen presented the wreath on behalf of the Community Council.

13. PARISH CHRISTMAS EVENT: There had been a good attendance at this event. A Chiplen thanked everyone who had helped to make it such a success. Everyone agreed with S Parnell that the Brass Band had been exceptionally good this year. The problem with the tree lights is being resolved and a new transformer purchased.

14. ROAD ISSUES:

(a) Road works at Llantrisant: This will be one of the matters placed before Jane Hutt AM should she agree to attend a Community Council Meeting (See 10(a) above)

(b) Road widening - Sycamore Cross to Peterston turnoff: H Hanmer had written to Jane Hutt AM and Alun Cairns MP expressing concern regarding the potential traffic problems for Pendoylan should this project proceed. Alun Cairns had in turn contacted Cllr Peter King whose response was far from satisfactory. Cllr Traherne advised H Hanmer to contact Alun Cairns again with a request that Cllr King be asked to elaborate upon his response. If no satisfactory response is received Cllr Traherne is to be advised **HH**

(c) J34/M4 Signage: S Parnell referred to the "New Road Layout Ahead" signage at this junction which has been in place for over 20 years. There are so many signs at this junction and any unnecessary ones should be removed. A request will therefore be made to the Vale Council for this sign to be removed. **JR**

(d) Crossroads at "The Smithy": Traffic from Warren Mill and Tredodridge is failing to slow or stop at this junction and a serious accident had taken place there recently when a car approaching Pendoylan from Welsh St Donats (which had right of way) was hit by a car driving straight across the crossroads. The white lines at the junction have worn away but it was agreed that a Halt sign is needed at this junction. R Rees believed there used to be one which was stolen. PC Goulding confirmed that this matter should be given priority. A request will therefore be made to the Vale Council for the Halt sign to be reinstated as a matter of urgency. If no success in this respect Cllr Traherne is to be advised **JR**

15. BEST KEPT VILLAGE IN WALES SIGN: The sign on the Village Green has fallen down as a result of the base having rotted in the ground. This will be placed in the Community Council's Container until arrangements can be made for its reinstatement **AC**

16. COUNCILLORS' ISSUES: None

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

18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Thursday 12 January 2017 at 7.30 pm to be held in Pendoylan Church in Wales Primary School.

The Meeting was closed at 9.40 pm