

**PENDOYLAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL  
CYNGOR CYMUNED PENDEULWYN**

A Meeting of Pendoylan Community Council was held on Thursday 13 July 2017 at 7.30 pm in Pendoylan Church in Wales Primary School

**1. PRESENT:** Councillor A Chiplen (in the Chair), Councillors S Parnell, H Hanmer, R Rees, P Fox, G Thomas, J Roberts (Clerk) and Vale Councillor M Morgan

**2. APOLOGIES:** C Hendy and PCSO Dan Rees

**3. MINUTES:** The Minutes of the Meeting held on 8 June 2017 were approved and signed.

**4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** Cllr R Rees in respect of Item 9(a) below

**5. MATTERS ARISING:**

**(a) Benches:** S Parnell advised that she will attend to the treatment of algae as soon as possible SP

**(b) Pendoylan School:** H Hanmer had provided a copy of the Governors Wales Case Study 5 (a handbook for School Governors in Wales) which confirmed that a copy of Minutes of the School's meetings should be in the public domain. However it appears the School does not have a website at the present time although it is understood this is in hand. It was agreed contact be made with the new headmistress in September if these matters are not resolved

**(c) Best Kept Village Signs:** The Clerk had made local enquiries regarding provision of a replacement post for the sign but more details were required before this could be pursued. It was agreed this should be hardwood and 8 feet high & 4 x 4 width. JR

**(e) Election issues:** Cllr Parnell had raised the issue regarding the deadline for applications and withdrawal of applications being the same as there should be a later deadline for withdrawals. One Voice Wales have agreed to take this matter up with the relevant authority on behalf of the Community Council

**(f) Welsh Flag:** The request for a replacement Welsh Flag for the Church tower will be raised at a PCC meeting on 23 July next JR/RR

**6. REPORT FROM COMMUNITY POLICE OFFICER:**

Inspector Gary Smart confirmed that details of accidents that occurred within the parish could be supplied to the Community Council by the Police without the need for a FOI Act Application but despite a thorough search no details of an accident believed to have taken place at Tyn y Plancau/Hensol junction on or around 24 May last could be confirmed. With regard to attendances by PCSOs at Council Meetings, Inspector Smart advised that under new rules PCSOs' rotas had to be fixed 12 months in advance and unless these coincide with Council Meetings it is unlikely there will be any attendance by a PCSO in future.

PCSO Dan Rees had advised by email that the only reported crimes in the parish in the last 30 days were two domestic incidents at the Vale Hotel

**7. REPORT FROM VALE COUNCILLOR MICHAEL MORGAN:**

**(a) MUGA:** Cllr Morgan advised that a Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) is being considered for Peterston super Ely and as this facility could also be available to Pendoylan residents he will arrange for Pendoylan Community Council to be kept advised of progress.

**(b) Care for the elderly in rural areas:** He expressed concern regarding the standard of care for the elderly living in rural areas e.g. lack of care packages. He felt that provision for housing (i.e. bungalows) should be a priority for the elderly rather than social housing

**(c) Resurfacing:** The road from Clawdd Coch to J34 has not been included in the Vale Council's 3 year resurfacing plan as the Community Council had been led to believe. He will make enquiries in this respect. **MM**

**(d) CCFC:** He will also make enquiries as to the present position regarding this planning application **MM**

#### **8. MEETINGS:**

**(a) OVW:** H Hanmer had attended a meeting of One Voice Wales and reported that a presentation was given by Creative Rural Communities in respect of the Community Mapping Toolkit and possible funding possibilities. All Councillors are encouraged to use the OVW website and the Clerk will arrange for all members to have access to this **JR**

**(b) Church Row Parish Houses:** H Hanmer and S Parnell had attended a meeting of Church Row Parish Houses and advised re various proposed improvements to the properties

**(c) Community Liaison Committee:** S Parnell had attended a recent meeting of the Community Liaison Committee which she had found very interesting. Inspector Gary Smart was in attendance. There were many complaints at the lack of police attendance at their meetings. He advised that the recent terrorist incidents in London had left them short staffed. He reported that all police will wear body video cameras in future. The Vale Council's Mike Clogg was also present and advised regarding their 3 year resurfacing programme. He is endeavouring to get the road budget increased. He requested that details of HGVs repeatedly using the country lanes should be reported to him.

#### **9. PLANNING MATTERS:**

**Applications:** Applications had been received

(a) for a farmworkers dwelling at The Bryn, Pont Sarn Lane, Clawdd Coch. The Community Council's support for this application had already been lodged but it was agreed to write a separate letter to the Planning Authority incorporating S Parnell's additional supportive comments **JR**

(b) for continued occupation in excess of 10 years in breach of outline planning permission granted in 1965 of Sutton Rise, Pendoylan. The Members agreed no action necessary in this respect

**Approvals:** Approvals have been received for the following applications (a) to construct a porch extension at 6 Hensol Villas, Hensol (b) to convert garage and construct a new garage at Ty Fry Cottage, Pendoylan (c) to create an adventure golfcourse at Hensol Golf Academy, Pendoylan Road, Clawdd Coch (d) to construct a single storey extension to rear of 10 Hensol Villas, Hensol and (e) to construct a 2 storey extension to rear of Mountain Lodge, Hensol and amendments to site access

**Appeals:** Notice of the following appeals had been received, namely:

(a) against an Enforcement Notice in respect of construction of additional guest accommodation block at Llanerch Vineyard. The Community Council had subsequently been invited to make representations in this respect to Planning Consultants and it was agreed they should be advised that the general opinion of the members was that the proposed building was not in keeping with the site and should be a single storey building only **JR**

(b) against an Enforcement Notice in respect of the construction of a building used as an event venue at Llanerch Vineyard and

(c) against an Enforcement Notice in respect of alteration of the outbuilding consisting of the installation of a clock tower/turret at Hafod Lodge, Hensol.

It was agreed no action required in respect of (b) & (c) above

**10. CORRESPONDENCE:** The following items were discussed

**(a) Draft Active Travel Integrated Network Maps consultation** – A Chiplen will look into this and respond if necessary AC

**(b) Electoral returns information and candidate returns:** This confirmed that all members' returns for Pendoylan had been received

**(c) Creative Rural Communities** – Growing Community Spirit project

**(d) LDP** - Notification of adoption of the LDP

**11. FINANCE/CLERK'S REPORT:**

**(a) Financial Position as at 13 July 2017:**

Current Account	£3,609.29
Jubilee Account	<u>362.79</u>
Total:	3,972.08

**Payment to be made:**

OVW - Training Session	<u>40.00</u>
Balance in hand:	3,932.08

**(b) Bank Mandates:** The Clerk had obtained the requisite forms from Lloyds Bank and it was agreed that in the first instance the signature of Tina Wride be obtained as one of the existing signatories before this can proceed JR

**(c) 2016/17 Accounts:** The Clerk confirmed that these had now been submitted to the Welsh Government's Auditors for final sign off

**12. OVW SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY:** The Clerk had provided all Members with a copy of this Policy and it was unanimously agreed that it be adopted as slightly amended.

**13. MODEL LOCAL RESOLUTION POLICY:** The Clerk had also provided Members with a copy of this Policy and it was unanimously agreed this also be adopted.

N.B. S Parnell will arrange for the above policies to be placed on the Community Council's website SP

**14. ROAD ISSUES:**

**(a) Bollards on J34 slip road:** Jane Hutt had obtained a further response from Ken Skates advising that work at this junction would now commence in the Autumn

**(b) Verges:** The Clerk had contacted the Vale Council requesting that the verges generally be cut and specifically at J34/M4. This has now been done

**(c) DVS signage, Hensol:** As this has now been transferred to Peterston super Ely no further action required re Hensol request to amend its position. The DFS signage should return to Pendoylan in January 2018.

**(d) Survey of road from J34 to A48:** The Vale Council advise that a mini tender has been advertised with sell2wales for consultants to bid for the work to carry out WelTAG stages 1 & 2 to consider options to improve access and to come up with a shortlist of those options for consideration by the Council. The closing date for the tenders was 10 July. The Vale Council will now consider the tenders with the intention of letting the contract. This work is likely to go into the Spring, with a Cabinet report being presented to Members with the options that come from the study.

**15. JUMBLE TRAIL:** H Hanmer will arrange a leaflet drop around the village HH

**16. TRAINING:** H Hanmer had attended One Voice Wales' New Councillor training session. She reported that some Community Councils find it useful to hold surgeries as a way of engaging with the community. It was noted that any Councillor who fails to attend 6 successive Council Meetings should be dismissed.

**17. SUMMER EVENT:** H Hanmer suggested that other Organisations in the parish be invited to attend this event and set up a stall to promote their respective Organisations.

It was also suggested the Red Lion be approached to run the bar at this event. Final arrangements for this event to be discussed/agreed at the August meeting. **ALL**

**18. COUNCILLORS' ISSUES:**

**(a) Community Orchard:** It has been noted that one of the fruit trees (plum) has died. It was agreed to replace this in the Autumn. H Hanmer offered to attend to this **HH**

**(b) The late Vale Cllr AD Williams** – H Hanmer and the Clerk had attended the funeral of A D Williams and his wife Faith. Condolences had been expressed to their daughter, Ruth

**(c) Grass cutting:** The Clerk advised that the grass area around the bench opposite the school car park was in desperate need of cutting. H Hanmer advised that she would ask Phil Hanmer to trim this **HH**

**19. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA:** Matters arising from these minutes

**20. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** Thursday 10 August 2017 at 7.30 pm to be held in Pendoylan Church in Wales Primary School.

The Meeting was closed at 10.05 pm