

PENDOYLAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL CYNGOR CYMUNED PENDEULWYN

Jane Hutt AM attended the Community Council prior to their meeting and considered the various matters raised (see copy summary attached) and confirmed she would write to the Cabinet Secretaries for Transport and Local Government to follow up the said issues

A Meeting of Pendoylan Community Council was held on Thursday 9 March 2017 at 7.30 pm in Pendoylan Church in Wales Primary School

1. PRESENT: Councillor A Chiplen (in the Chair), Councillors C Tutton, J Llewellyn, H Hanmer, R Rees, P Fox, J Roberts (Clerk) and Vale Councillor R Traherne

2. APOLOGIES: Cllrs S Parnell, S Wigley, L Weeding and G Thomas

3. MINUTES: The Minutes of the Meeting held on 9 February 2017 were approved and signed.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None

5. MATTERS ARISING:

(a) Meals on Wheels: Cllr Traherne advised there was still no news as to the commencement of this service

(b) Pendoylan School: A report from Ann Thomas, the Community Governor for Pendoylan & Welsh St Donats, is still awaited **JR**

(c) 320/321 Bus Route: The Vale Council has now confirmed that NAT will continue to run this service

(d) Welsh Government's Town & Community Council Survey: The Clerk confirmed this had been completed and submitted

6. REPORT FROM COMMUNITY POLICE OFFICERS: There was no attendance by PC Goulding or PCSO Sarah Johnson and no crime figures received. It was agreed this be reported to the Inspector **JR**

7. REPORT FROM COUNCILLOR TRAHERNE:

(a) He advised regarding the proposed Bonvilston development which, despite concerns regarding the infrastructure, had received the consent of the Vale Council although the number of dwellings to be erected had been reduced from 140 to 120 with a corresponding reduction in \$106 monies

(b) He confirmed that as a result of the Vale Council obtaining a better deal from the Welsh Government the Council Tax increase would be 2.8% for the next financial year which was not as high as initially feared

8. MEETINGS: A Chiplen had attended the Vale Council's Briefing Session on 3 March 2017 for Candidates in connection with the forthcoming election.

9. PLANNING MATTERS:

(a) Applications received:

(i) for proposed garage conversion and detached garage with a hobby room on first floor at Ty Fry Cottage, Pendoylan.

(ii) To erect a conservatory and orangery at 2 Benjamin Hall, Hensol Castle Park
The Community Council had no objection to the above applications

(iii) To renew previous planning consent for additions to Lynton, Tredodridge. It was agreed the Vale Council be advised that the Community Council's previous comments regarding the original application remained valid

(b) Planning Consent had been granted for the refurbishment & conversion of existing detached outbuildings to provide garden office/occasional guest bedroom facilities at Caer Wigau Uchaf, Pendoylan

(c) Planning Refusal: A further application to refurbish, reinstate and extend The Piggery, Logwood Hill, Peterston had been refused

(d) Notice of Appeal: in respect of previous planning refusal to construct a single storey stable block, tack room and dog kennels at Ty Hensol, Hensol. As the Community Council had raised no objection to the original application it was unable to make any representations in respect of this Appeal

(e) Field entrance near Caerwigau: P Fox advised that no update had been received from the Enforcement Officer as to the present position. He will make enquiries in this respect

PF

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

(a) Boundary Commission for Wales – 2018 review of parliamentary constituencies in Wales – Secondary Consultation: A Chiplen would review and respond if necessary

AC

(b) Commonwealth Day 13 March 2017: The Clerk had registered the Parish's willingness to fly the special flag & one had been requested but to date this had not been forthcoming

(c) IRP Annual Report 2017: The new rules and amount of payments to Members of Community Councils were noted

(d) Clerks' Meeting: This is to be held on 17 March 2017 in the Vale Council's Barry Offices. The Clerk confirmed she will be attending this

JR

(e) Community Health Council - Dementia: One Simple Thing: What could the NHS do better to support people, as well as their families and their carers, living with dementia? It was agreed to advertise this in the Parish Magazine

JR

11. FINANCE/CLERK'S REPORT:

(a) Financial position as at 9 March 2017:

Current Account

£4,579.36

Payments to be made:

Allotment Rent 1.00

Clerk's Salary (Jan-Mar) 751.36

HMRC Tax on Salary 187.84

Clerk's expenses (Jan-Mar) 129.36

1,069.56

Balance:

£3,509.80

Jubilee Account

398.76

Total Current Account + Jubilee Account

£3,908.56

The Clerk's annual increment in accordance with NALC/SLCC Scale SCP 26 from £11.660 ph to £12.041 ph as from 1 January 2017 was approved and the above payments also approved

JR

The Clerk also advised that she will be submitting a claim for a VAT refund in the sum of approximately £285.00

JR

(b) 2016/17 Audit/Payroll/Workplace Pension: The Clerk confirmed she is correspondence with Tony Williams with regard to these matters

(c) Printer ink: The Clerk expressed concern at the increasing price of printer ink. A Chiplen will provide the Clerk with details of an alternative cheaper source

AC

(d) Election 4 May 2017: The election process timetable had been received and noted. Application packs are currently awaited from the Vale Council

12. TRAINING: H Hanmer had agreed to attend a course "Wellbeing of Future Generations Act 2015/Sustainability" to be held in Bridgend on 28 March 2017. The Clerk will arrange this with One Voice Wales **JR**

13. BEST KEPT VILLAGE SIGNS: The metal plaque on another sign has now fallen off and action to repair this, together with the wooden sign, is urgently required. R Rees will ask G Thomas to contact Dave Popham in this respect **RR**

14. ALLOTMENTS: The Clerk advised that parishioners Steve & Allison Reed had applied for one of the allotments in Heol St Cattwg. This was agreed but with the proviso they discuss this with the current tenants Don Whalley and Mike Edmunds to agree its boundaries **JR**

15. PLAYGROUND: The Clerk confirmed that the state of the playground safety surfaces had been reported to the Vale Council together with a suggestion they may wish to seek compensation from their suppliers as it would appear the matting was not fit for purpose. In the meantime she confirmed the Vale Council had commenced cleaning the matting but access to the playground was sometimes not possible due to cars parked alongside the entrance.

16. ROAD ISSUES:

(a) Parking issues in Heol St Cattwg: These were being investigated

(b) Metal cover in pavement: A Chiplen advised the metal cover in the pavement alongside No. 16 Heol St Cattwg was dangerous and should be reported to the appropriate authority i.e. the Vale Council, Water Board or BT. **JR**

(c) Tree issues: Concerns had been expressed by a resident of Heol St Cattwg regarding the height of the trees alongside the culvert as it was feared that in rough weather these could fall across the road. It was agreed this be reported to the Vale Council **JR**

(d) Road/Pavement issues: Complaints had been received regarding the state of the road through Pendoylan and past Ty Fry Farm. P Fox advised that the road up the hill to the A48 from Caerwigau had been closed recently to enable potholes to be filled, some of which are already reappearing. It was noted that the state of the pavement from the Church to the end of the School is also giving rise to further concerns. Cllr R Traherne confirmed he will contact the Vale Council in this respect once he had the full details. The Clerk would arrange this **JR/RT**

17. COUNCILLORS' ISSUES:

Community Mower: It was agreed the community mower should be serviced and the Clerk will enquire of Mike Edmunds whether he is prepared to attend to this **JR**

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

19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Thursday 13 April 2017 at 7.30 pm to be held in Pendoylan Church in Wales Primary School.

The Meeting was closed at 10.15 pm