

**PENDOYLAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL
CYNGOR CYMUNED PENDEULWYN**

A Meeting of Pendoylan Community Council was held on Thursday 13 December 2018 at 7.30 pm in Pendoylan Church in Wales Primary School

1. PRESENT: Councillor A Chiplen (in the Chair), Councillors P Fox, G Thomas, R Rees, H Hanmer, C Hendy, Cllr M Morgan, PC Stuart Elson and J Roberts (Clerk)

2. APOLOGIES: S Parnell

3. MINUTES: The Minutes of the meeting held on 8 November 2018 were approved and signed

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: S Parnell in respect of Item 9 below

5. MATTERS ARISING:

(a) Best Kept Village Sign: H Hanmer advised that the sign is still awaiting alteration by M Edmunds **HH**

(b) Playpark Light: The resident adjacent to the playpark has confirmed her agreement to the installation of a sensor on the light provided this does not stay on too long when activated. An approach will now be made to the Vale Council in this respect **JR**

6. REPORT FROM COMMUNITY POLICE OFFICER: Thanks were extended to PC Elson and PCSO Sian Roberts for their assistance with the traffic in connection with the 5 school Christmas concerts. The parking problems were also alleviated by the temporary opening of the Red Lion car park. Thanks were also extended to PCSO Sian Roberts for overseeing the Community Ambassadors' recent litter pick in the village. PC Elson advised that unfortunately the appointment of the new PCSO has had to be placed on hold indefinitely. He advised there had been a number of incidents in the parish in the last month, namely, a commercial burglary at the Vale Hospital, theft of number plates from Llanerch Vineyard and an incident of road rage.

7. REPORT FROM VALE COUNCILLOR MORGAN:

(a) Junction 34/M4 to A48 project: Cllr Morgan advised regarding email correspondence from Emma Reed dated 4 December 2018. She reported that the Vale Council have been successful in obtaining £118,000 for the next stage in this project which was being put out to tender. The Minutes of the Review Group Meeting of 2 October 2018 were now on their website. A Cabinet report is being prepared which will comprise the background of what has happened to date, the results of the consultation, the funding bid and the Stage 2 plus work currently being undertaken. It is anticipated this will be on their website by the end of January 2019

n.b. the Minutes of the said meeting 2 October 2018 had been circulated to members of the Community Council but concerns were raised as to the Vale Council's terminology therein and it was agreed they should be asked to clarify their abbreviations **MM**

(b) New development at Sycamore Cross: With regard to the closure of the road from the A48 to Pendoylan, Cllr Morgan advised that the plan is for the Logwood to be closed (and therefore also the road from Caerwigau Isaf) to the A48 for 6 weeks commencing on 1 April 2019 to enable the construction of the new section of road from Sycamore Cross to serve the new housing development at Bonvilston. It is apparently not feasible to put in a temporary relief road or to limit works to the night. Diversions will be put in place and there will be liaison with schools and bus companies

(c) Hensol Project Board: Cllr Morgan advised he has been included in "The Junction 34 Hensol Project Board" which has its first meeting on 29 January 2019 but he was currently unaware as to what this was about

8. MEETINGS:

(a) PROW Meeting: Unfortunately noone was able to attend this. Apologies were sent to Peterston Super Ely's Clerk

(b) One Voice Wales Meeting 14 January 2019. H Hanmer is unable to attend and noone is currently available to go in her place

(c) Growing Community Spirit: H Hanmer and J Roberts had attended a meeting with Creative Rural Communities in order to finalise the application for the grant

(d) Pendoylan School Governors: H Hanmer had attended a "Literacy Walk" at the School

(e) J34/M4 to A48 Road Project Review Meeting: The next Review Meeting is to be on 17 December 2018 and A Chiplen is unable to attend. It was unanimously agreed that H Hanmer should go in his place and the Vale Council will be advised accordingly **AC**

9. PLANNING: An application had been received for a two storey extension to 2 Brynteg Cottages, Tredodridge which was discussed at length. There were concerns regarding the size of the proposed extension and its proximity to the road wall. If piling were necessary to support the proposed extension the vibrations of such works could undermine the foundations of the opposite property. There were also concerns that if this application were granted and work commenced to construct the said extension and related works it would cause extreme inconvenience to neighbouring properties and disruption to traffic on the narrow road. It was agreed that these concerns should be made known to the Vale Council and a request made that a condition be imposed that no piling be permitted and that the existing high shrubs be preserved to retain the privacy of the opposite property **JR**

10. CORRESPONDENCE:

(a) One Voice Wales Training Sessions Jan-March 2019: These were noted

(b) Play Sufficiency Assessment: It was agreed that this should be completed **JR**

(c) Older People's Commissioner for Wales Newsletter: This was noted

(d) Vale Council's 2019/2020 Precept request: The Clerk will attend to this **JR**

(e) Vale Council's Winter Service Protocol: This was noted

(f) Recycling – Christmas collection dates: This information will be placed on the Community Council's facebook **CH**

11. FINANCE/CLERK'S REPORT:

(a) Financial position as at 13 December 2018:

Current Account	£3,380.23
Jubilee Account	<u>24.13</u>
	3,404.36

Payments to be made:

Clerk's Salary (Oct-Dec)		
13 weeks @ £12.815 x 6 hrs pw (£999.57 gross)		
Less Tax £ 199.92	799.65	
HMRC Tax	199.92	
Clerk's expenses (Oct-Dec)	<u>80.85</u>	<u>1,080.42</u>
		2,323.94

c/f		2,323.94
Christmas Event :		
H Hanmer – presents	34.40	
S Parnell – wine plus food	52.45	
Band	150.00	
Remembrance Wreath	<u>17.00</u>	<u>253.85</u>
Balance in hand		2,070.09

The above payments were approved

(b) Budget 2019/2020: The Clerk presented the draft budget for 2019/2020. It had previously been agreed that provision be made each year for one replacement parish bench and it was therefore agreed that a £342 increase in the precept be sought for the next financial year. This will equate to an additional £1 levy per household. The Clerk will advise the Vale Council accordingly. The budget was therefore approved as drawn **JR**

12. COMMUNITY AMBASSADORS: A litter pick had been carried out by the Ambassador Group which had been successful. The litter picking equipment will be kept at the School. The next meeting will be on 18 January 2019. Thanks had been expressed to the Ambassadors for providing a Coffee Morning for the elderly of the parish including a concert by the School Choir. A criticism had been received regarding the playpark equipment as this did not cater for older children. It was agreed to ask the Ambassadors what additional equipment they would like. It was therefore suggested the Vale Council's Park Representative (Adam Sargent) be invited to attend the above meeting **JR**

13. ROAD ISSUES:

(a) Proposed new road from J34/M4 to A48: (See Cllr Morgan's report at 7(a) above)

(b) New development at Sycamore Cross: (See Cllr Morgan's report at 7(b) above)

(c) The Smithy Crossroads: It has been noted that the road markings at this junction need replacing. Cllr Morgan confirmed he would report this to the Vale Council **MM**

14. CHRISTMAS EVENT: Thanks were extended to all who had contributed to this event which was unfortunately poorly supported this year. A suggestion has been made that next year the School's Choir be invited to take part to help with the Carol singing

15. REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY: A Chiplen had attended the service on 11 November 2018 in the War Memorial Hall and presented the wreath on behalf of the Community Council

16. COUNCILLORS' ISSUES: None

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

18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Thursday 10 January 2019 at 7.30 pm to be held in Pendoylan Church in Wales Primary School.

The Meeting was closed at 9.15 pm