

PENDOYLAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL
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A Meeting of Pendoylan Community Council was held on Thursday 8 February 2018 at 7.30 pm in Pendoylan Church in Wales Primary School

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

2. APOLOGIES: Cllr S Parnell & C Hendy and PCSO Dan Rees

3. MINUTES: The Minutes of the meeting held on 18 January 2018 were approved as slightly amended and signed

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

5. MATTERS ARISING:

(a) Repair of Best Kept Village Signs: This is In hand. **HH**

(b) Superfast Broadband: C Hendy reported that she had spoken to Alun Cairn's assistant regarding the lack of fibre broadband coverage in Hensol. The Open Reach programme to provide 95% of rural Wales with fibre broadband had not been successful. The project had ended in December 2017 but has been extended for 2 months in an attempt to sort out unresolved issues. Three Companies have been invited to tender to complete the work and details of the future programme of work is awaited. It was agreed to await C Hendy's next report before considering taking this matter further **CH**

(c) Christmas tree collection: The Clerk confirmed that the Christmas trees in the village had now been collected by the Vale Council

(d) Repair of No Tipping Sign: This is In hand **HH**

6. REPORT FROM COMMUNITY POLICE OFFICER: PCSO Rees had advised that he would not be able to provide parish crime figures until he returned to work the following day.

He would also provide an update regarding the earlier complaint. **JR**

The Clerk had as requested endeavoured to ascertain more details regarding last month's crime detail. PCSO Angela Stone confirmed the incidents had occurred in Pendoylan but was not permitted to provide more detail. However, she made the point that incidents sometimes occur by people passing through the village.

7. REPORT FROM VALE COUNCILLOR MORGAN: Cllr Morgan advised that the Vale Council were currently reviewing the Council Tax Rate and a decision in this respect would be made at its March Meeting. He said that a 3 per cent increase was anticipated

8. MEETINGS:

(a) Pendoylan School Ambassador Meeting: C Hendy had attended a meeting on 22 January 2018 and will attend a further one on 9 February 2018. Unfortunately noone else was available to attend. C Hendy will put out a request on facebook inviting other members of the community to join in to make this an active group. Details of the next meeting date are awaited **CH**

(b) Creative Rural Communities: H Hanmer reported that there are still grants available for activity projects. It was agreed that ideas be sought from parishioners and a "Drop In Session" be arranged one Saturday morning in April at the Red Lion. Carmella is to be approached in this respect **JR**

9. PLANNING MATTERS:

(a) Applications: An Application has been received for Reserved Matters for a farm workers dwelling at Bryn Farm, Pont Sarn Lane, Clawdd coch, Pendoylan. The Community Council had no objections to this application

(b) Approvals: An Approval has been received for cafeteria & events room extension at Hensol Golf Academy, Pendoylan

(c) CCFC Application: Cllr Morgan will continue to press for a meeting with the Vale Council's planners to ascertain the present position regarding this application **MM**

10. CORRESPONDENCE: The following items were noted:

(a) Training Sessions: OVW's Training sessions in Barry for Feb-July 2018 were noted

(b) Meeting date requirements: Notification received from the Vale Council's Head of Legal Services that notice of time and place of intended meetings should be published electronically as well as being fixed in some conspicuous place in the community at least 3 clear days before a meeting of a Community Council. It was agreed that the electronic requirement be discussed with S Parnell upon her return from Australia. A copy of the Agenda will be placed in the noticeboards prior to meetings **JR/SP**

(c) Employers legal obligations for first aid provision: A Chiplen would look into this **AC**

(d) Public Rights of Way (PROW): Letter from St George's & St Bride's super Ely Community Council advising they have issues with their PROW as there will be less resources in terms of both money and time available to the Vale Council for PROW work. Their Community Council has therefore agreed to have quarterly meetings with the Vale Council's PROW Officer, Gwyn Teague, to determine how these issues may be resolved. Pendoylan Community Council has been asked if it wishes to join such meetings. After some discussion it was agreed to do so when possible but could not provide a dedicated Councillor at this stage **JR**

11. FINANCE/CLERK'S REPORT:

(a) Financial position as at 8 February 2018

Current Account	£4,694.23
Jubilee Account	<u>24.13</u>
Total	4,718.36

(b) Clerk's Salary: The Clerk advised that the NALC's pay scale had been increased by 12p per hour as from 1 April 2017 and she was therefore due an additional £28.08 (less tax) for the period 1 April to 31 December 2017. It was agreed this be paid to rectify the matter

(c) Budget 2018/19: The Clerk advised that the previous year's NALC Clerks' pay scale had been quoted in the Budget instead of the current scale. It was agreed that the Budget be amended to show her salary for 2018/19 as £3,920.00 p.a. instead of £3,881.00 p.a. thereby increasing the overall anticipated deficit for 2018/19 by £39 from £130.00 to £169.00. This was agreed and the Budget amended accordingly and approved

12. ROAD ISSUES:

(a) Consultation to consider options to improve access from J34 to A48 & Airport: The Vale Council have provided details of the report and terms of reference which have now been agreed by Cabinet. No further meeting date yet advised

(b) Rural Highways/potholes etc: Cllr Morgan has been pursuing this issue with the Vale Council's Mike Clogg who has agreed to meet with local communities. In the meantime it was noted that the road from Clawdd Coch to the Hensol turning has been marked for pothole repairs.

(c) Traffic Speed: A letter from Peterston super Ely Community Council had been received advising their plan is to aim to reduce the speed of traffic through the community to 20 mph and suggesting that Pendoylan & Welsh St Donats Community Councils join them in this endeavour. They also suggest that designated Councillors be appointed for the project. It was agreed to support this project although no dedicated Councillor was available at this stage **JR**

(d) Litter: The Vale Council has recently carried out a litter pick at Junction 34 and through Pendoylan village despite previously advising it would be unable to do so until after the clocks went forward.

(e) Dog Fouling: Several complaints had been received from members of the community regarding the appalling amount of dog fouling around Pendoylan village particularly by the School, the playground and on grass verges & pavements. It was agreed this was totally unacceptable and a notice to this effect is to be placed in the Parish Magazine in the first instance. If no subsequent improvement then the Dog Warden to be advised

JR

13. CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTS: A Chiplen confirmed that he had taken these down and is holding these at his home

14. PENDOYLAN PARISH HOUSES TRUST: S Parnell advised that confirmation of the Trustees appointed to the Trust by the Community Council should be confirmed to the Trust's Secretary/Clerk. H Hanmer will attend to this

HH

15. PARISH DEFIBRILLATOR: The Clerk advised that the defibrillator pads have to be replaced by April 2018 and she has arranged for Welsh Hearts to supply these before that time. P Fox referred to the notice in the parish magazine which gives details of the defibrillator's location but no operating instructions. After some discussion it was agreed the notice be amended to refer to the fact that the defibrillator when actioned does in fact give verbal step by step instructions for use.

JR

16. SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY: The Clerk confirmed that the Community Council does have a Social Media Policy and she will check whether this is now on the Community Council's website

JR/SP

17. COUNCILLORS' ISSUES:

(a) Dementia Friend: H Hanmer advised that if anyone is interested in becoming a Dementia Friend to contact her as her daughter, Rhiannon, who works for the Alzheimer's Society, would be happy to train applicants.

(b) BT Public Phone Box: A Chiplen noted that the light in the phone box in Heol St Cattwg is no longer working. This to be reported to BT

JR

(c) Pendoylan & Welsh St Donats Trust: P Fox reported that the Pendoylan Relief in Need funds were nearly expended. He advised that enquiries had been made as to whether the playgroup which operated in Welsh St Donats village hall could apply for a grant from the Welsh St Donats Recreation Fund for new seating for the playgroup. He was of the opinion that as the playgroup was a private enterprise any application for funding should be made by the Hall Committee

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

19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Thursday 8 March 2018 at 7.30 pm to be held in Pendoylan Church in Wales Primary School.

The Meeting was closed at 9.30 pm