

PYLE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL MEETING

on

Wednesday 28 September 2011 in the Talbot Community Centre

The meeting commenced at 6.30pm

The Chair of Council opened the meeting by paying tribute to the four minors who died in the Gleision Mine. The Council observed a minute silence.

- 1. Present
 - a. Councillors; K John (Chair), P James, A John, G Hooper, B Morris, J Tame, D Williams.
 - b. In attendance; Clerk to the Council, Harold Phillips.
- 2. Apologies for Absence.
 - a. Councillors; M Rogers. (Cllr P James recorded that Cllr Ellis would be arriving late, although he did not attend)
- 3. Declaration of Interest in Accordance with Section 51 of the Local Government Act 2000 Any interest to be declared as items arise through the meeting.
- 4. Approval of Minutes.
 - a. The minutes for the meeting held on 20th July 2011 were approved. Proposed by Cllr Cllr P. James, Seconded by Cllr G Hooper. There were no objections
 - b. Cllr K John signed the minutes as a true and correct record.
- 5. Business Arising
 - a. Parking in-front of Dentist Surgery
 Borough Councillor Clive James met with officers from BCBC re illegal parking.
 An email from BCBC explained,

Unfortunately, for reasons that I cannot explain, the correct loading ban signage is missing and so are the kerb markings which should accompany the yellow lines. As such the order is currently unenforceable.

We discussed the possibility of remedial works being funded by the Community Council.'

The Council resolved the Clerk write to the BCBC declining to fund the remedial work.

b. Land opposite Heathbridge Surgery
 It was resolved to rejuvenate the land opposite Heathbridge Surgery referred to as

Croft Goch Square. The theme of the rejuvenation to be: A memorial to those who worked and died in local collieries. Collieries concerned to be named.

Sub Committee, Cllrs, Pauline James, Brian Morris, David Williams and Allan John to meet on Monday 10th October

c. Remembrance Service

The Clerk inform the Council Mr Ron Clark has transferred the ordering of wreaths to the Chairman of Cefn Cribwr British Legion Mr Malcolm Reynolds.

The Clerk was instructed to order wreaths for the following;

Pyle Community Council, Talbot Community Centre, Kenfig Hill RFC, The First Minister and Bethal Chapel.

- d. Parking Restrictions on roads adjacent to the traffic lights in Kenfig Hill. Notification received from BCBC reference the above. The Clerk informed members the full schedule was available for inspection and representation are to made to BCBC prior to the 10th October.
- e. Christmas Community Draw.

The Council confirmed the decision to hold a Christmas Raffle the Chair had contacted all members and had received no objections. Cllr G Hooper informed the Council 2000 books of tickets have been distributed to local organisations. The draw will take place on Friday 9th December, the night the Christmas lights are switched on.

f. Christmas Lighting.

The Council accepted the quotation from BCBC of £7314.84 for the installation of 36 sets of Christmas lights. Although there was a question of how many sets of lights were still functioning. The Clerk was requested to investigate.

The lights will be switched on Friday 9th December followed by refreshments, children's disco and Father Christmas' Grotto in the Talbot Centre.

It was resolved to purchase Selection Boxes for the children. Proposed Cllr G Hooper, seconded by Cllr J Tame.

6. Reports

a. Clerk's Report

The Clerk had nothing to report that was not covered in other items.

b. Members Reports

The Chair reported she had attended the Civic Service in Llangynwyd and a Charity Concert in Maesteg Town Hall.

7. Correspondence

a) Big Lottery Fund's Village SOS Active Competition

The Clerk was instructed to register the Refurbishment of Croft Coch Square

b) BCBC

Notice of temporary road closure of section of Pont George Road, Pyle.

c) Edward Harries. Ref; The Collwyn

Messrs Edward Harries have received a communication from Jane Dessent reference the application by thr Council to withdraw the application to register the Collwyn as a Town or Village green. As the Council now owns the Collwyn it was resolved that no action was required.

d) One Voice Wales.

Notification of Annual Conference and AGM to be held on 8 October.

e) RWE npower renewables

Notification that RWE npower will commence its period of formal consultation and will holding exhibitions along the North Devon and South Wales coasts.

f) BCBC - Local Access Forum

Election of a Community Council representative to serve on the above. It was resolved not to nominate a candidate.

g) BCBC - Town and Community Council Forum
The meeting originally planned for 6 August 2011 will now be held on 1 November

- h) Splice Child & Family Project Invitation to attend the Lottery Open Day Celebration. The Chair Cllr K John to attend
- i) Samaritans Invitation to attend a "Thank You Evening" in the Evergreen Hall, Angel Street, Bridgend on Tuesday 24 November. The Chair Cllr K John to attend

8. Planning

- a) Mynydd Cynffig Infants School. Open sided covered way. No objection.
- b) Mynydd Cynffig Infants School. Three free standing canopies. No objection.
- c) 16, Park Street, Kenfig Hill. Ground floor cloakroom extension. No objection.
- d) 40, Ton View, Kenfig Hill. Trim two oak trees. No objection.
- e) 20, Bryn Onnen, Kenfig Hill. Cut back three trees. No objection.
- f) 2, Silurian Way, Kenfig Hill. Two storey side extension. No objection.
- g) Station Road, Kenfig Hill. New Bungalow. No objection.
- h) 43, Waunbant Road, Kenfig Hill. Extension to rear. No objection.

9. Donations

- a. Acknowledgments.
 - i. Shelter
 - ii. Bridgend Citizens Advice Bureau
 - iii. Royal British Legion (reference Poppy Party Weekend)
 - iv. Guides Anna Underhill

b. Requests

- i. Ty Ellis. Donation for Counselling Service in Porthcawl. Declined as the Council supports a similar service in Kenfig Hill by Splice
- ii. St Johns Ambulance. Support for Cadet and Badger Groups. It was resolved to send £50. Proposed Cllr P James. Seconded Cllr A John.
- iii. Pisgah Chapel. To renovate kitchen to meet new health and safety regulations. It was resolved to send £500 this being the first application from this body. Proposed Cllr P James. Seconded Cllr D Williams.
- iv. ATC. Request for a grant of £400 towards the addition of a virtual cockpit to their existing flight simulator. It was resolved to send £400. Proposed Cllr G. Hooper. Seconded Cllr D Williams.
- v. Pyle & District Tang Soo Do. Request for funding of £200 for training equipment. It was resolved to send £200. Proposed Cllr A. John. Seconded Cllr Janice Tame.
- vi. Bridgend County Young Singer of the Year 2011. Request for financial assistance to safeguard the event, It was resolved to send £50. Proposed Cllr G. Hooper. Seconded Cllr A John.
- vii. KPC. Request for criteria for application for support. The Clerk was instructed to inform the applicant there are no specific criteria and each application is judged on its merit. Taking into account the Council's very limited budget it has decided to part of that budget as seed funding in the provision of activities allowing organisations within Pyle Ward to raise their own funding. Examples being The Fun Day and the Fun Day and Christmas Prize draw.
- viii. The Parish of Pyle & Kenfig. Financial support for roof repairs to the Church Hall. The Clerk was requested to check on recent grants to the applicant.

10. Finance and Accounts

- a) The Clerk reported receipt of a VAT refund of £5449.52
- b) The Clerk requested approval for the submission of the accounts, as approved by the internal auditor Mr Jeff Carne, to the external auditors Mazars.

11. Matters for Further Discussion

- a) Bench at Woodland Park
 A meeting is to be arranged with BCBC.
- b) Cricket Pitch

The Clerk reported, after repeated requests for confirmation of the re-establishment of a cricket facility at Croft Coch, he had received an email from Gareth Evans stating that Mawdlam Cricket Club had disbanded and no cricket was played in Cornelly this year and while there is an unused facility available they will not support the development of an additional facility. When asked by Cllr James for his assessment of the situation, the Clerk replied that in his opinion having walked Groft Coch fields, that both the cost and time levels indicated by BCBC were unrealistic low. He also expressed that cost of would represent 25% of the Councils disposable budget. The Clerk was asked to express the Council's disappointment to BCBC.

- c) Fun Day
 - i 2011
 - i) The Clerk reported the cost of the Fun Day and raffle was £2450 and the amount raised by the participating organisations was £6172
 - ii) Letters of thanks received

ATC

Samaritans

Talbot Community Centre

Mynydd Cynffig Junior School

ii 2012

Cllr G Hooper reported that in 2012 it is planned to hold a Community Festival Week, commencing on Saturday 16th June with a Concert in Pisgah Chapel, with the Fun day taking place on Saturday 23rd and concluding on Sunday 24th with a Songs of Praise service in St Theodore's Church. Other organisations will hold events during the week. The Talbot Community Centre are proposing to have an evening prior to Festival Week to select a Carnival Princess who, if proper arrangements are in place, be paraded through the community on the morning of the Fun Day. The selection evening would include a children's disco and other entertainment. The next meeting of the Community Festival Week will be held on 18 October at 6.30pm in the Rugby Club.

d) Bus Shelters

Progress report required from BCBC.

e) Litter Bins

Progress report required from BCBC

f) Civic Service

All arrangements are in place. The Service will take place on Sunday 9 October at 3pm and afterwards in the Talbot Community Centre. It is anticipated there will be approximately 60 people attending the service and 40/50 the Talbot Community Centre.

- 12. Any Other Business
 - a) It was resolved to make a donation of £50 to the Swansea Valley Miners Appeal Fund
 - b) Concern was expressed about traffic using the lane adjacent to Pwllygarth Street. The Clerk was requested to contact Mr M Twooser at BCBC