



# PYLE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL MEETING

on

Wednesday 23 November 2011  
in the Talbot Community Centre

The meeting commenced at 6.30pm

### Present

- a. Councillors; K John (Chair), Cllr L Ellis, G Hooper, P James, A John, B. Morris, M Rogers, D Williams.
- b. In attendance; Clerk to the Council, Harold Phillips.

### 1. Apologies for Absence.

- a. Councillor; Cllr J Tame.

### 2. 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.

### 3. Approval of Minutes.

- a. The minutes for the meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> October 2011 were approved. Proposed by Cllr P. James, Seconded by Cllr L Ellis. There were no objections
- b. Cllr K. John signed the minutes as a true and correct record.

### 4. Business Arising

- a. Parking in-front of Dentist Surgery  
Declaration of Interest. Cllr Ellis declared an interest and left the room.
  - i) Still awaiting reply to the letter to BCBC declining to fund the remedial work
  - ii) The Clerk read a letter from Barrie David Dentist practice requesting the removal or re-siting of the Traffic calming bollards and parking restrictions sited out-side his surgery. Mr David cited an incident involving a patient who collapsed outside the surgery having found it necessary to park his car an unacceptable distance from the surgery. The Council is of course saddened by the incident referred to and has some sympathy with Mr David on the location of the bollards. However it recalled the reasons why the bollards were installed by the previous Council as being; the many requests to improve safety after the two fatalities at this location. The exact location of the bollards and parking restrictions was the decision of the Borough engineers. Had no action been taken the question asked would have been; “how many deaths are necessary before the problem is addressed”. The Clerk was requested to reply reflecting the above.

- b. Remembrance Sunday  
The Council welcomed the return of unity to the community and will learn from the circumstances that led to the service running early and take measures to ensure that next year the service will run to time.
- c. Festival Week 2012  
The next meeting to be held on Tuesday 29 November 2011 at 6.30pm
- d. Bus Shelters & Litter Bins.
  - i. Bus Shelters. The two shelters on order will be installed early in the New Year. The Clerk was asked to contact the new owner of the shop in Commercial Street, who has expressed an interest in having a shelter outside the premises.
  - ii. Litter Bins. Cllr A John gave a report detailing the areas of the community which required litter bins; the list was extensive and cost of installing them prohibitive in any single year, so it was recommended they would be installed at the rate of 3-4 per year. This financial year the bins will be installed; Hazel Grove (2), Moriah Place and Marlas Road.
- e. Heathbridge Miners' Square  
Costing are being prepared as per the recommendations of the Sub Committee meeting on Monday 22 October  
A proposal of the planned work and a business plan for the transfer of the land from Bridgend CBC was presented to the Council. The Council approved the document and instructed the Clerk to submit it to BCBC together with an application for funding.
- f. Christmas Community Draw.  
The draw will take place on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December, the night the Christmas lights are switched on.
- g. Christmas Lighting.  
The Clerk reported to the Council that so far this year 28 of the original 36 sets of lights have been installed.
- h. Ministers of local Places of Worship.  
The clerk was requested to arrange a coffee morning with the relevant ministers in January.

## 5. Reports

- a. Clerk's Report  
The Clerk had nothing to report that was not covered in other items.
- b. Members Reports
  - i. The Chair Cllr K John together with Cllrs P James and L Ellis attend an open morning at the Pyle Life Centre for the local Learning Support Group. They all commented on the wonderful work carried out by the group.
  - ii. Cllr P James reported that together with the Clerk she had met a representative from BCBC reference to the many request from residents to re-site a bench at the junction of Woodlands Park and Waunbant Road. The representative stated that as a previous bench had been removed due to complaints from local residents, he would have to contact those who had objected and inform of the plans to replace the bench in a more suitable location. If it was agreed, he would grant a licence to site the bench, should a representation from the police that the bench has become the focal point for anti-social behaviour then the licence will be withdrawn and the bench will have to be removed.
  - iii. Cllr L Ellis reported on a meeting held together with Community Cllrs A John P James & Borough Cllr C James with a representative of the owners of the Margam Opencast Site. The meeting was cordial and very constructive. Subsequent to the meeting a 17 point plan of work to clean up the site to commence in the week beginning 21 November has been received. Cllr A John confirmed work has commenced.  
The Clerk informed the Council that in response to letters to both BCBC and NPTBC he had receive replies confirming that draft proposals for the

regeneration of the site are at an early stage and are at an early stage and the subject of on-going work to finalise details before they can be made public. It was resolved that letters be sent to the local schools requesting the Chair and small delegation meet with the head teachers to discuss the potential dangers of the site and defer to their expertise as to the best way for them to inform the children.

Cllr Ellis and the working group will be monitoring all developments.

6. Correspondence

- a. The Clerk read a further letter from Edward Harries reference the Collwyn and BCBC request for an official withdrawal of the application to register it as a Town or Village Green. The Clerk reported he had spoken with Messrs Edward Harries although Mr harries is out of the office until next Monday.
- b. Precept 2012/2013. The Clerk reported in response to correspondence from BCBC the request for Pyle Community Council precept has been submitted
- c. Margam Opencast Site. Correspondence is reported in *4 Reports, b), iii.*
- d. School Travel Plans. The Clerk is in communication with BCBC reference a possible grant from "Safe Routes in the Communities" scheme for the lane adjacent to Pwlygarth Street to stop it being used as a general thoroughfare.
- e. Town and Community Council Elections 2012. Letter from BCBC reminding the Council to budget in their precept calculations the cost of the election that if the seats are contested. It is estimated the cost will be approximately £4000.00
- f. Ballot for Bridgend Local Access Forum. The Councils order of preference for the nomination as Community Council Representative is as follows;
- g. Cllr R. Granville (Cornelly). 2) Cllr I. McLaggan (Merthyr Mawr). 3) Cllr J Lewis (St Brides Minor). 4) Cllr O Sendell (Ogmore Valley)

7. Planning

- a. 45, Waumbant Road, Kenfig Hill. Single Storey Building in rear garden. No objection.
- b. 1, New Road, Kenfig Hill. Two Storey Extension to rear. No objection.
- c. Station Road, Kenfig Hill. New Bungalow. (Amended Layout). No objection.
- d. Unit 3, Plot 120, Village Farm Industrial Estate. Warehouse/Office extension. No objection.

8. Donations

- a. Acknowledgments.  
None
- b. Requests  
The 2012 National Eisteddfod to be in Llandow. It was resolved to send £25.00

9. Finance and Accounts

Receipts and Payments. The Clerk reported that the Finance subcommittee will be inspecting the receipts and payments for the six months ending the 30th September 2011 on Monday 28 November at 10.30am

10. Any Other Business

The Clerk was asked to arrange a meeting with Gareth Denning reference Waun Cimla and associated Section 106 monies

*Date of Next Meeting Wednesday 25 January 2012*

*Harold J. Phillips  
Clerk to the Council*