



PYLE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL MEETING

on
Wednesday 22nd October 2014
in the Talbot Community Centre

Questions from the Public

The meeting commenced at 6.30pm

Present

Councillors; G Hooper (Chair), A John, M Kearn & E Peakman
Clerk to the Council; Harold Phillips.

1. Apologies for Absence; Councillors; K John, G Brown.
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 24th September 2014 were approved.
Proposed by Cllr M Kearn, Seconded by Cllr A John
 - b. Cllr G Hooper (Chair) signed the minutes as a true and correct record.
4. Business Arising
 - a. Festival Week 2015.

Festival Week 2015 will commence on Saturday 13th of June with the Fun Day on Saturday 20th June. The theme of next year's Festival will be the World Cup 2015. The main aim for 2015 Fun Day is to improve and further establish both the Mini Rugby Tournament and the Classic Car Show. For the Festival Week to try to improve the evening events to create a Festival Week of musical excellence. The next meeting to be held on Tuesday 11th November.

Reference Cllr James' suggestion we hold a competition for the best kept gardens with category's for flowers veg and hanging baskets/window boxes. It was agreed the date of the Festival Week is too early for flowers and veg so it was recommended judging takes place at the end of August or early September
 - b. Footpaths to Bryndu House Farm.

The Clerk reported he has spoken to NPT requesting when this project will be completed. As with all Councils the cuts and the impending amalgamations it is difficult to get any commitments
 - c. Heathbridge Miners' Square
 - i. PJ Landscapes have donated the daffodils and will in conjunction with Mynydd Cynffig Junior School arrange for them and some crocus to be planted.

- ii. The Clerk reported on a meeting with the lighting department to discuss appropriate Christmas lighting for the square. The conclusion was to place an uplighter at the base of each of the trees, after the initial installation cost future years will virtually cost free.
 - iii. Another 30 applications for plaques have been received although new applications have virtually stopped, it therefore intended to install this latest batch as soon as possible.
 - d. Five Year Plan (renamed the Communities Regeneration Plan)

Some major internal problems in 'Groundworks Bridgend Port Talbot' have delayed work on both this and the Rosemount Garden project. More details of the extent of the problem and how it will affect both projects will be known on Friday of this week. A meeting has been arranged with BCBC on the 5 November to present the final plan.
 - e. Land behind Bus Shelter on the A48 Pyle Road

The Clerk reported on a meeting with Kevin Sales of BCBC. This shelter was purchased by Pyle Community Council and was agreed it would be cleaned and maintained by BCBC. On inspection it appears the shelter has not been cleaned since its installation. In addition to the unclean shelter the floor of the shelter has a constant layer of mud washed down from the uncultivated land owned by the Co-operative Society. With respect to the unclean shelter Mr Sales agreed to requisition the cleansing department to pressure clean it including the floor. However the floor will remain a constant problem until some form of low retaining wall is built, this poses some problems; a) Cost, b) Who pays, c) Permissions; Can the wall be built without permission. Will/can the Co-operative give permission given the ongoing transition to ASDA.
 - f. Bus Shelter opposite Cwrt Anghorfa

Ongoing
 - g. Deposit Account

The Clerk recommended to Council that the sum of £50,000 be transferred to the deposit account with the Monmouthshire Building Society. Cllr E Peakman proposed and Cllr A John seconded that the recommendation be accepted. There were no objections
 - h. Footpath at Riverside Walk

Cllr A John reported the trees and undergrowth at the entrance from Trederyn to Riverside Walk have been cut back but P J Landscapes believe the proposed spreading of hard-core will not be necessary and hopes the scraping of the top surface will expose an existing hard base.
 - i. Rosemount Garden

As reported in 5d internal problems in 'Groundworks Bridgend Port Talbot' has delayed work this project. More details of the extent of the problem and how it this project will be known on Friday of this week.
 - j. The lane adjacent to Pwllgarth Street.

BCBC following the due planning process in order to proceed. The Clerk to contact Mr Keith Power of BCBC to ascertain progress
 - k. Civic Service. It was agreed by all that Pisgah Chapel members staged an excellent day and a letter has been sent thanking the Rev Len Grabham for the service and the ladies for the food. The cost of the food was £180. It was proposed by Cllr M Kearns and seconded by Cllr E Peakman to grant Pisgah Chapel £300 as a token of gratitude. It was also agreed to make a donation of £50 to Crescendo Youth Choir for the contribution to successful Civic Service.
 - l. Llys Ton

A letter has been sent to Llys Ton confirming that Pyle Council is prepared to pay 50% of the cost, up to £500.

5. Reports

a. Clerk's Report

The Clerk had nothing to report which has not been reported elsewhere during the meeting

- b. Member Reports
 - i. Cllr G Hooper and Cllr M Kearn attend the latest PACT meeting.
- 6. Correspondence
 - a. BCBC. Invitation to attend a WW1 Centennial Concert in The Sony Theatre in Bridgend College on Saturday 8th November at 7pm. The Chair Cllr Hooper and consort to attend
 - b. ATC. Invitation to attend the Squadron HQ on Friday 24 October. Due various problems many Councillors are unable to attend on this date but would like the opportunity to on another date. The Clerk was instructed to decline the date of the 24th October and request an alternative date.
 - c. BCBC. Notification of a Public Consultation on the Local Transportation Plan in Pyle Life Centre on Thursday 27th November from 5pm until 7.30pm
- 7. Planning
 - a. 31 Commercial Street, Kenfig Hill. Change of use from A1 to A3 (Take Away). Notification of an appeal against the refusal of planning permission by BCBC
 - b. Land adjacent to Rockwood, Pyle Road, Pyle. Outline planning application to construct six dwellings, access and car parking.
 - c. 47 Woodlands Park, Kenfig Hill. Two storey extension to rear, new dormer extensions & new pitched roof to existing porch.
 - d. Village farm Café, Sturmi Way, Village Farm Industrial Estate, Pyle. Erection of conservatory to the side elevation
- 8. Rights of Way and Open Spaces
 - Clerk instructed to progress the three bins ordered for each entrance/exit.
- 9. Highways
 - Ongoing
- 10. Donations
 - a. Requests.

 - b. Acknowledgements
 - i. Park Street Allotment
 - ii. Samaritans
- 11. Finance and Accounts
 - Nothing to report
- 12. Any Other Business

The meeting closed at 7.30pm

Date of Next Meeting Wednesday 26th November 2014 at 6.30pm

*Harold J. Phillips
Clerk to the Council*