



PYLE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL MEETING

on

Tuesday 27 September 2016
in the Talbot Community Centre

Questions from the public.

Mrs Karen Evans spoke about ongoing problems with rubbish being dumped in back lanes. The Council have taken photographs of problem areas and passed them to BCBC for action.

The meeting commenced at 6.30pm.

Present

Councillors: K John (Chair), P James, A John, A Jones, G Hooper & M Kearm
Clerk to the Council; Harold Phillips, Deputy Clerk; Dawn Evans

1. Apologies for Absence; Councillors E Peakman & B Jones
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 19 July were approved.
Proposed by Cllr P James. Seconded by Cllr M Kearm.
 - b. Cllr K John (Chair) signed the minutes as a true and correct record.
4. Business Arising
 - a. Community Regeneration Plan
 - i. Heathbridge Miners' Square.
Members reported litter in the children's play area. Cllrs Jones and Hooper volunteered to litter pick at the play area. Members thanked both Cllrs for undertaking this work.
 - ii. Rosemount Garden
The Clerk is meeting with BCBC regarding the interpretation panel next week
 - iii. Marlas Road.

The Clerk reported that the first phase of this project is now complete, except for planting, which will be undertaken next Spring. Members reported compliments are being received on the project thus far. Preliminary drawings for phase 2 have been received from G Whittington Architecture. Costings for phase 2 will be obtained in readiness for Budget setting. Members discussed the need to place bins in this area. The Deputy Clerk to contact BCBC to request bins.

iv. Helig Fan. (For reference, no change)

The Clerk gave an overview of proposals scheduled for the next financial year.

v. Library Wall. (For reference, no change)

Whittington Landscapes to survey and cost the removal of the remaining pillars and replacing the capping stones

vi. British Telecom Telephone Exchange

Still no response from BT regarding the Council's wish to plant trees within in the boundary fence. Other ways of taking this forward will be looked at.

vii. Main thoroughfare avenue (For reference, no change)

Project date April 2017 to March 2018

Meeting with Highways Department at BCBC to be arranged within the next two weeks.

viii. Pandy Crescent

Start date for this project is awaited. Cllr James proposed £10,000 be allocated for additional play equipment in this area. Cllr Hooper seconded this proposal.

b. Bus Shelter on the A48 (ASDA)

As discussed at July meeting, PJ Landscapes have been instructed to take this work forward.

c. The Collwyn.

PJ Landscapes have been asked to provide a quote for construction of pathway from the Collwyn to Mill Road. Provision of appropriate gateways either end of the Collwyn was also discussed. It was agreed funding for this should be included in discussions relating to 2017-18 precept request.

d. Christmas Lighting.

The Clerk confirmed nine light features have been ordered. BCBC had reported that five of the existing features had reached the end of their life, and four extra have been purchased. This brings festive lighting up to the 40 features authorised at the January meeting. Meeting with BCBC to be arranged to identify sites for extra features.

e. Rubbish in back lanes.

Cllr A John confirmed photographs had been taken of the areas discussed at the July meeting and passed to BCBC. The Deputy Clerk to chase BCBC regarding areas where rubbish has not been removed.

f. Festival Week.

Festival meeting scheduled for 6.30pm on 11th October.

5. Reports

a. Clerk's Report

The Clerk reported on plans for Remembrance Sunday (13th November) and Poppy Appeal. Cllr Hooper is taking forward rota for poppy selling at Asda. The Clerk will

provide order forms for wreaths, which will need to be returned with payment. Wreaths will be held at the Council offices, for collection the week before Remembrance Sunday.

b. Member Reports

i. Cllr M Kearn reported on issues arising at last PACT meeting:

- Traffic
- New site for Mynydd Cynffig Primary School
- Proposal to site Cement factory at rear of Comprehensive School

Cllr Kearn to meet with Mr Mark Blackmore - the officer responsible for Sites of Importance for Nature Conservation (SINC) at BCBC, regarding proposals for Frog Pond Wood. Cllr Kearn will report on this meeting at the October Council meeting.

ii. The Chair - Cllr K John, reported that she had attended Cynffig Comprehensive School's Presentation Evening and Bridgend Town Council's Civic Service on behalf of Council.

Cllr John also informed members that she did not wish to hold a Civic Service to celebrate her inauguration this year as she feels the money could be better spent on ongoing projects. Cllr John requested the £500 budgeted for the Civic Service be donated to the proposed extra play equipment at Pandy Crescent. Members were in agreement with this and thanked Cllr John.

6. Correspondence

- a. Plantscape - arrangements for collection of floral planters. The Clerk reported that a price had been obtained for purchase of the planters rather than return. The price quoted for purchase was £110 per basket x 26 = £2,860. The planters could then be filled by a local provider. Cllr James proposed purchase of planters. Cllr Jones seconded this proposal.
- b. 1st Kenfig Hill Scout & Guide Hall - Invitation to Baden Powell Celebration Evening. The Deputy Clerk was asked to confirm attendance for five members.
- c. Community Companions End of Project Party - invitation to attend party at Talbot Institute on 29th September 2016.
- d. Pil Primary School - Invitation to attend Harvest Service at Pisgah Chapel on 29th September and School Choir concert at Pisgah Chapel on Thursday 30th September.
- e. Communities First - Invitation to attend visit of Smoothie Bike at Pil Primary School on 7th October.
- f. Boundary Commission for Wales - The 2018 Review of Parliamentary Constituencies in Wales initial proposals. The Clerk gave details of this document. There were no comments or observations to be submitted.
- g. KPC - Thanks for grant. Information on events and workshops which took place during the Summer.
- h. KPC - Invitation to Macmillan Cancer Relief's World's Biggest Coffee Morning on 29th September.
- i. The Talbot Community Centre - Information regarding Remembrance Day Sunday Lunch. The Deputy Clerk was asked to confirm attendance of members.
- j. Maesteg Town Council - Invitation to Civic Service. Apologies were submitted on behalf of the Chair to this invitation.
- k. Bridgend Town Council - Invitation to Civic Service. The Chair attended this Service on behalf of Council.
- l. BCBC - Information relating to submission of 2017-18 precept.
- m. Age Connect Morgannwg - Invitation to Charity Concert on 25th November, at Pencoed

Miner's Welfare Hall.

- n. Mrs A Griffiths - two letters relating to ideas for improvements to the village of Kenfig Hill. These letters were discussed. Reply to be forwarded to Mrs Griffiths.

7. Planning

- a. 124 Village Farm Road, Village Farm Industrial Estate, Pyle
Two storey steel framed extension to provide additional office/staff facilities
- b. 6 Monks Close, Pyle
Single storey extension for bedroom and ensuite shower room
- c. 2b Waun Bant Road, Kenfig Hill
Change of use from shop/workshop into 2 bedroom flat

8. Rights of Way and Open Spaces

Daffodils have been purchased for planting in various open spaces. Crocuses are also to be purchased.

Cllr A John reported that himself, the Deputy Clerk and Rights of Way Officer from BCBC had met with the owner of land directly adjacent to overgrown footpath at School Road. Proposals to reinstate the footpath were discussed at that meeting and the land owner was amenable to those proposals. Cllr John also asked for consideration of thinning out the woods in that area. Cllr James proposed P J Landscapes be engaged to take forward clearance of the footpath and thinning out of woods at School Road. Cllr A Jones seconded this proposal.

9. Highways

Nothing to report.

10. Donations

a) Requests

- i. Scout & Guide Hall. Request to purchase blinds at the Hall, quote for £471 received from Blinds Direct. It was resolved to grant £471 as per quote. Proposed by Cllr James. Seconded by Cllr Kern. Cheque to be presented at Baden Powell Awards Evening.
- ii. Miss E Williams - Dance Crazy. This request did not fall into the remit of the Council as it had no connection to the areas covered by Pyle Community Council.
- iii. Park Street Allotments. Request for donation to Annual Bonfire Evening. It was resolved to grant £100. Proposed by Cllr John. Seconded by Cllr James.
- iv. St Theodore's Church - Request for grant to assist with maintenance of Community Memorial Garden. It was resolved to grant £300 as per quote received by Church to undertake work. Proposed by Cllr A John. Seconded by Cllr G Hooper.
- v. St James's Church - Assistance with Christmas tree and lights. The Clerk will liaise with the Assistant Wardens regarding the type of assistance needed and report back to Council at October meeting.

11. Finance and Accounts

The Clerk reported on finance and accounts. Meeting of Finance Committee to be scheduled to report back to October Council meeting.

12. Adoption of Revised Financial Regulations

The Deputy Clerk reported on revisions to Model Financial Regulations. It was resolved to adopt Revised Regulations. Proposed by Cllr James and seconded by Cllr Jones.

13. Adoption of Revised Code of Conduct

The Deputy Clerk reported on revisions to Model Code of Conduct. It was resolved to adopt Revised Code of Conduct. Proposed by Cllr James and seconded by Cllr Jones.

14. Any Other Business

None.

The meeting closed at 8pm

Date of next meeting Tuesday 25th October 2016 at 6.30pm

*Dawn Evans
Deputy Clerk to the Council*