



PYLE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL MEETING

on
Tuesday 24 January 2017
in the Talbot Community Centre

Questions from the public

None

South Wales Police - Update on Local Policing Matters

PC G McKay and PCSO R Matthews updated members on local policing matters. Members reported on areas of concern relating to speeding traffic and illegal parking.

The meeting commenced at 5.30pm.

Present

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

1. **Apologies for Absence;** Councillor A Jones & 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 22 November were approved.
Proposed by Cllr G Hooper. Seconded by Cllr A John.
 - 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.
The Clerk reported that formal application has been made to Western Power for permanent electricity supply to the area.
 - ii. Rosemount Garden
The Clerk reported the dead tree has been replaced. Information panel is near completion.
 - iii. Marlas Road.
The Clerk reported that Blossom trees have now been planted and phase 1 is now complete, except for wild flower planting.

The final plans for phase 2 – second path and work to bus shelter, are now ready. The Clerk met with BCBC yesterday regarding re-siting of the bus shelter back from the road by approximately 3 feet, to allow space for a footpath in front of the shelter. BCBC have agreed to take this forward.

The last payment has been made to Landcraft and the grant from BCBC relating to this is due in the next couple of weeks.

Cllr P James proposed the bus shelter on Marlas Road be replaced instead of the one on Pisgah Street. Cllr M Kearns seconded this proposal. All members were in agreement.

- iv. Helig Fan. (For reference, no change)
- v. Library Wall. (For reference, no change)
- vi. British Telecom Telephone Exchange. (For reference, no change)
- vii. Main thoroughfare avenue

Project date April 2017 to March 2018

The Clerk reported that proposed designs for this project are with BCBC.

The site of the bus shelter on Pisgah Street was discussed. It was agreed a request should be made to BCBC to move the bus shelter a little way up the road, away from the Church.

- viii. Pandy Crescent

The Clerk reported planning permission has been applied for and final tenders have been requested from contractors. It is hoped this project will be underway within the next month. Cynffig Comprehensive School have been approached regarding pupils assisting with designs for the project, which has a World War 1 theme. Cllr P James will liaise with the Comprehensive School on this matter. The land at Pandy Crescent is owned by BCBC and they have therefore agreed to take forward application for Centenary Garden Status.

- b. The Collwyn.

Cllr John reported that during the storms in December wood fell into the river at the area. This has been reported to NRW and they have confirmed in their opinion it does not present a flooding risk, but they will monitor. P J Landscapes will also provide quote for installing a concrete path in the area.

- c. Rubbish in back lanes.

Two sofas were dumped at the back of the Talbot Community Centre, arrangements were made for them to be removed, but it must be stressed that dumped items cannot be taken away as a matter of course as there is a cost to this. There are still problems with rubbish in back lanes which is within the boundary line of the property it is dumped at and therefore cannot be picked up. BCBC should be written to about these problems.

- d. Festival Week.

The Clerk reported on Festival meeting held on 17th January.

5. Reports

- a. Clerk's Report

Nothing to report other than that already reported.

- b. Member Reports

The Chair reported on complaints received regarding mud and debris at Station Road, at the site of building work being undertaken at the old Woodstock Inn. This was reported to the relevant authorities and there has been an improvement.

Chair also reported on meeting she had with the Chair of Cornelly Community Council regarding proposals to site a concrete making plant being sited at the back of Cynffig

Comprehensive School. BCBC have been written to requesting a meeting, response awaited.

Cllr G Hooper reported two street lamps not working on Commercial Street. These have been reported to BCBC and they should now be chased.

Cllr G Hooper also reported on problems being encountered with the Bargain Booze delivery lorry blocking the road first thing in the mornings. This matter was reported to the Police during their update prior to this meeting.

Cllr M Kern reported on complaints received regarding speeding on Marlas Road. The complaints were reported to the Police during their update prior to this meeting.

Cllr P James reported on Holocaust Memorial Service she recently attended. The Chair said she was disappointed this Council had not received an invitation to the Service.

6. Correspondence

- a. Keep Wales Tidy - Invitation to participate in the Great British Spring Clean.
Participation in this event was agreed.
- b. BCBC - Provision of disabled rides at play parks. A meeting to be set up regarding this.
- c. Cor Merched Cwm Llynfi Choir - Invitation to Annual Concert.
- d. BCBC - Council Tax Reduction Scheme
- e. BCBC - "Wartime Bridgend" event, Saturday 10 June 2017
- f. BCBC - Tourism Funding. Application to be made for Circular footpath funding.
- g. BDO LLP - 2015-16 Audit Invoice awaited.
- h. KPC - Request for meeting
- i. BCBC - Request for precept amount
- j. 1st Kenfig Hill Beave Scouts - Community Projects
- k. BCBC - Mayor's Citizenship Award
- l. Pil Primary School - Invitation to concert
- m. Bridgend Scouts - Invitation to concert
- n. S Oates - thanks for assisting with organisation of Christmas Celebrations

7. Planning

- i. Car park adjacent to 108 Pigsaw Street, Kenfig Hill
Change of use from car par to hand car wash, including siting of 2 canopies and storage container.
Objections have been submitted.
- ii. 19 Sturmi Way, Village Farm Industrial Estate, Pyle
Change of use from car park of 19 Sturmi Way to Hand Car Wash.
No objections/comments.
- iii. Ermington 28 Waumbant road, Kenfig Hill
Drop kerb outside property to allow access onto property.
No objections/comments.
- iv. Pandy Crescent Playground, Pyle
Creation of a pocket park on existing grass verge, including expansion of existing play area & widening of footpaths.
No objections/comments.
- v. Mynydd Cynffig Primary School, Commercial Street, Kenfig Hill
Works to various trees.
No objections/comments.
- vi. 6 Kenfig Mews, Kenfig Hill
Retrospective permission for garage.
No objections/comments.

- vii. 13 Heol Cambrensis, Pyle
Proposed garage utility space and wet room at ground floor level with hobby storage space above in roof space with dormer.
No objections/comments.
- viii. 29 Beach Road, Pyle
Single storey rear extension
No objections/comments.

8. Rights of Way and Open Spaces

Cllr A John gave an update on Rights of Way and Open Spaces. He reported that Neath Port Talbot Borough Council have confirmed a footpath will be reinstated at Newlands.

9. Highways

Cllr John reported on concerns regarding vision at the crossroads on Croft Goch / Waterhall Road. This Council has made enquiries with BCBC regarding safety measures, but no suggestions have been made to date. The Residents have said a petition will be put forward regarding this.

10. Donations / Grants

- a) Acknowledgements
 - i. Cancer Support Services Bridgend.
 - ii. Marie Curie.
- b) Requests
 - iii. BCBC - Beach & Water Safety Service. It was resolved to grant £250 per annum for the next three years. Proposed by Cllr M Kearns. Seconded by Cllr P James. All members were in agreement.
 - iv. Macmillan in Bridgend. It was resolved to grant £100. Proposed by Cllr E Peakman. Seconded by Cllr A John. All members were in agreement.
 - v. Tenovus Cancer Care - Out of area.
 - vi. Mynydd Cynffig Primary School - Literacy Trip. It was resolved to grant £900. Proposed by Cllr G Hooper. Seconded by Cllr P James. All members were in agreement.
 - vii. Pil Primary School - Literacy Trip. It was resolved to grant £900. Proposed by Cllr G Hooper. Seconded by Cllr P James. All members were in agreement.
 - viii. Awen Cultural Trust - Lego Club at Pyle Library. It was resolved to grant £100. Proposed by Cllr A John. Seconded by Cllr M Kearns. All members were in agreement.
 - ix. National Eisteddfod of Wales. It was resolved to grant £50. Proposed by Cllr P James. Seconded by Cllr G Hooper All members were in agreement.

11. Finance and Accounts

The Finance meeting scheduled for 17 January was postponed due to illness. This meeting will now take place on Monday 30th January 2017.
The Clerk updated members on Finance.

12. Any Other Business

The Clerk reported that representations had been received about the lack of lighting at the car park behind the Surgery on the main road. BCBC have agreed to illuminate the one-way standard into a full light standard to provide lighting in the area.

Cllr M Kearns proposed consideration of a Community Council Honours Board. Cllr E Peakman seconded this proposal. The Deputy Clerk will provide designs and costings for consideration at the February meeting.

Meeting closed at 7pm

Date of next meeting Tuesday 28th February 2017 at 5.30pm

*Dawn Evans
Deputy Clerk to the Council*