



PYLE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL MEETING

on
Tuesday 3 October 2017
in the Talbot Community Centre

Questions from the public

Mrs R Raikes posed several questions to Council regarding expenditure. These questions were discussed and it was agreed the answers to questions that had not been answered at this meeting would be passed to Mrs Raikes as soon as possible.

Cllr N Dewar (Cornelly Community Council) said that he had been approached by residents of Pyle and Cornelly regarding the lack of lighting on the footpath leading to Pyle Railway Station from the Pyle end. Borough Cllr S Smith was in attendance and he informed Cllr Dewar and members of Council that he would take this matter forward.

The meeting commenced at 5.45pm.

Present

Councillors: M Kearne (Chair), G Hooper, C James, P James, A John, K John, A Jones,
A Radmore

Clerk to the Council; Harold Phillips, Deputy Clerk; Dawn Evans

1. **Apologies for Absence;** Cllr C Workman
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 18 July were approved.
Proposed by Cllr K John. Seconded by Cllr C James.
 - b. Cllr M Kearne (Chair) signed the minutes as a true and correct record.
4. **Business Arising**
 - a. Community Regeneration Plan
 - i. Heathbridge Miners' Square.
The Clerk reported Dedication service was held on 20th August.
 - ii. Rosemount Garden
The Clerk reported that the noticeboard is now in place.

- iii. **Marlas Road**
 Many congratulations have been received regarding the wild flowers in this area. However, the grass cutting was not satisfactory throughout the season and meetings will be held with V2C before next year to ensure arrangements are in place for effective cutting.
- iv. **Helig Fan/Library Wall**
 The Clerk reported that an application to BCBC's Town & Community Council Fund for match funding toward this project has been submitted.
- v. **British Telecom Telephone Exchange. (For reference, no change)**
 Cllr Radmore may have a contact who could help move this project forward.
- vi. **Main thoroughfare avenue**
 The Clerk reported that application has been submitted to BCBC's Town & Community Council Fund for match funding toward this project. The Clerk gave details of some parts of this project that come under the responsibility of BCBC's Highways Department and meetings that have been held with BCBC regarding this.
- vii. **Pandy Crescent**
 The Clerk reported that this project is near completion. The installation of inclusive play equipment in the area was discussed and the Clerk gave details of extra costs that would be incurred to provide a fully inclusive roundabout. Members agreed the purchase and installation of fully inclusive roundabout should be taken forward. The Clerk should contact BCBC regarding contribution from them toward this equipment. The Chair gave details of fund Borough Cllrs are entitled to access from BCBC for projects within the community and agreed to commit his entitlement to this fund toward this equipment, if rules allow.
- b. **The Collwyn.**
 Cardiff Conservation Volunteers are scheduled to carry out work in this area on 8th October.
- c. **Rubbish in back lanes.**
 Cllr Kearn is continuing to submit referrals to BCBC regarding various problem areas. Cllr Radmore reported problems with rubbish being dumped behind Croft Goch. Members discussed the ongoing problem with dumping of rubbish and agreed use of temporary CCTV in persistent problem areas should be considered. Cllr Radmore will provide details on this.
- d. **Park Slip**
 Cllr K John reported the water level is quite low at the moment. Update on this item to be requested for next meeting.
- e. **Festival Week**
 The first meeting for 2018 Festival Week is scheduled to be held on 7th October.
- f. **Remembrance Sunday.** Arrangements will be as last year. Asda have granted permission for two weeks poppy selling, Cllr Hooper will arrange rota for this. The Clerk gave details of quote for £1,100 received to take forward maintenance at the cenotaph. Cllr K John proposed acceptance of quote. Cllr A John seconded this proposal. All members were in agreement.
- g. **Festive lighting**
 The Clerk reported a meeting will be held with BCBC next week to discuss details of the Festive light switch on.

5. **Reports**

- a. **Clerk's Report**
 As detailed in 'projects' above.

b. **Member Reports**

Cllr K John reported on various events she had attended during August and September.

Cllr C James reported on the need for dropped kerbs at the entrance into Park Street.

Cllr M Kearn reported that Cllr Workman wishes to step down from her role representing this Council at the Town & Community Council Forum. Cllr Kearn has informed BCBC that he will take Cllr Workman's place on this Forum.

6. **Correspondence**

a. Arwen Trust - details of concert on 30th September.

b. BCBC - Cars driving over pavement outside Mynydd Cynffig Infant School. BCBC do not have funding to place bollards in this area to stop this practice.

c. Community Furniture Aid - Information on this charity.

d. Countryside Alliance "Rural Oscars" 2017 nominations.

e. BCBC - Rubbish Collection from Churches will now be included within domestic collections.

f. HMRC - changes to how payments can be made, cheques can no longer be used. Finance meeting to discuss introduction of electronic banking to facilitate payments of this type.

g. BCBC - Consideration of proposed street name for development at Dolcast, Village Farm Industrial Estate; 'Village Close'. There were no objections to this proposal.

7. **Youth Council Proposal**

Youth Council Proposal. All members were content with proposal previously passed to them by Cllr Radmore. Cllr Radmore had hoped to take this proposal forward in September, but Cynffig Comprehensive have just had a snap Inspection by Estyn and this has taken precedence. The proposal is that the Youth Council will consist of two pupils from each year group. The details of proposal will be put forward at the October meeting.

8. **Planning**

None.

9. **Rights of Way and Open Spaces**

Nothing to report.

10. **Highways**

Potholes are a continuing problem.

11. **Donations / Grants**

a) **Acknowledgements**

1st Kenfig Hill Cubs.

b) **Requests**

i. Bridgend Carers Centre. It was resolved to grant £50 to support this organisation. Proposed by Cllr G Hooper. Seconded by Cllr A Jones. All members were in agreement with this proposal.

ii. Boxing Gym at Physique Gym, Pyle. This gym is a new not for profit initiative looking for start-up funding. Cllr P James proposed enquiries be made on the progress of this initiative. If all is in order grant £200 toward the start-up costs, with a view to them reapplying in six months' time when the club is established. Seconded by Cllr Hooper. All members were in agreement with this proposal.

iii. St James's Church. Application for financial help with Christmas celebrations. Cllr P James proposed £50. Seconded by Cllr A Jones. All members were in agreement with this proposal.

12. Finance

The Clerk reported that the Annual Audit Return for year ended 31st March 2017, has now been completed and a 'qualified opinion' has been issued, as the accounts were not certified by 30 June, in accordance with Accounts and Audit (Wales) Regulations 2014.

Employment and Finance meeting to be held on 23rd October at 10.30am.

13. Any Other Business

None.

Meeting closed 6.45pm

Date of next meeting Tuesday 24th October 2017 at 5.30pm

*Dawn Evans
Deputy Clerk to the Council*