



PYLE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL MEETING

on
Tuesday 26 June 2018
in the Talbot Community Centre

Please note the date of this meeting was changed from Tuesday 19th June as it clashed with the Annual Festival Week.

Questions from the public

None.

Members of public in attendance: Bridgend County Borough Cllr Ms J Gebbie

The meeting commenced at 6pm.

Present

Councillors; K John (Acting Chair), Clive James, Andrea Jones, Alan John, Amy Jones, Andrew Radmore & Cilla Workman

Clerk to the Council; Dawn Evans

1. **Apologies for Absence;** Cllr M Kearn
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 15 May were approved with the following amendment - item 6(c) should read:
Cllr K John reported on recent training session she had attended on 'Understanding the Law', which included youth delegates on Community/Town Councils.
Proposed by Cllr Andrea Jones. Seconded by Cllr Amy Jones.
 - b. Cllr K John (Acting Chair) signed the minutes as a true and correct record.
- 4 **Matters arising from minutes at item 3 above**
 - 4.1 **On item 4.1 Keep Wales Tidy** - Correspondence item 6.6 gives further information on 'Clean up' plans being taken forward by Cynffig Comprehensive School. A Litter Pick is planned for 4th July. The Clerk was asked to invited Mr B Jones to the September meeting.

ACTION: CLERK

4.2 **On item 4.2 ‘Welcome to Kenfig Hill’ signs** - The Clerk confirmed signs are now ready and they will be sited in the next week or so.

4.3 **On item 4.3 Heathbridge Miners Square** - Further plaques have fallen from the wall. Members discussed the merits of screwing the plaques to the wall, as opposed to using adhesive, which is currently being done. The Clerk was asked to explore the feasibility and cost of screwing instead of using adhesive.

ACTION: CLERK

4.4 **On item 4.4 Rosemount Garden** - Lease still awaited from BCBC.

4.5 **On item 4.5 Marlas Road** - The grass in this area has now been cut and it is looking a lot better. Members discussed planting shrubs rather than wild flowers. The Clerk was asked to contact ‘Beleaf’ about purchase of shrubs, as it is thought this would ensure the area looks attractive all year round. Members discussed requesting transfer of this area from V2C. The Clerk was asked to make enquires with V2C regarding this. Enquiries should also be made with BCBC regarding the status of the area in the LDP, is it a designated ‘Green’ area? Information received from Whittington Landscape Architecture regarding phase 2 - handrail at footpath and re-siting of bench, was discussed.

4.6 **On item 4.6 Helig Fan** - Cllr Kearn will chase response from BCBC regarding request to remove part of the wall that has fallen onto the grass.

ACTION: Cllr M KEARN

4.7 **On item 4.7 main thoroughfare at Kenfig Hill** - The Clerk gave details of information received from BCBC Highways department regarding raising the time limit for permitted parking on the main road. The estimated cost would be in the region of £8,000. Members discussed information and agreed the matter should be revisited in January 2019.

4.8 **On item 4.8 re-siting of bus shelter on Pisgah Street** - this matter was discussed, and it was agreed the matter should be raised again in September.

4.9 **On item 4.9 Pandy Crescent** -The Clerk reported that delivery and installation of bins for the area is awaited. Clerk to contact Nigel Talbot regarding finishing artwork in the area.

ACTION: CLERK

4.10 **On item 4.10 The Collwyn** - Clerk to chase funding opportunity with BCBC for planting of trees. Cllr A John spoke about the stream in the area. Clerk to investigate taking forward analysis of water. Clerk to ensure sign warning of dangers of swimming and climbing in the area be sited.

ACTION: CLERK

4.11 **On item 4.11 Park Slip** - The Clerk reported that Mr Parsons was not able to attend this meeting. He had, however, provided a written update, which the Clerk presented to members. Cllr J Gebbie also provided update. The Clerk was asked to invite Carwyn Jones AM to a Council meeting to update members on developments at this site.

ACTION: CLERK

4.12 **On item 4.12 Repairs to Kissing Gate at Ty Talwyn Avenue** - Cllr Kearn was not in attendance to provide update on any progress he has made with V2C regarding this matter.

ACTION: Cllr M Kearn

4.13 **On item 4.13 Rubbish** - Ongoing problems with rubbish were discussed.

4.14 **On item 4.14 Rubbish at Yr Hendre** - Cllr Kearn is continuing to take this matter forward.

ACTION: Cllr Kearn

4.15 **On item 4.15 Flooding near the old Crown Inn** -This is an ongoing problem. Borough Cllrs are liaising with BCBC.

4.16 **On item 4.16 Japanese Knotweed at the rear of Ffordd y Goedwig** - Cllr Kearn to take this matter forward.

ACTION: Cllr Kearn

4.17 **On item 4.17 Dog Fouling** - Members discussed progress made by Neath Port Talbot Borough Council in addressing this problem by employing an Enforcement Officer. The Clerk was asked to make enquires regarding the cost to hire an Enforcement Officer for one day.

ACTION: CLERK

4.18 **On item 4.18 Dust Monitors at local schools** - Cllr Radmore again confirmed that Cynffig Comprehensive School have temporary monitors, however they do not have the resources to manage and maintain them. It was confirmed that this matter has been raised at Governors meetings at the Primary Schools and the Education Department have agreed to look into the matter and report back to Governing bodies.

4.19 **On item 4.19 Category Asset Transfer of Croft Goch Playing Fields** - Cllr Radmore updated members on progress relating to this transfer and confirmed there a meeting scheduled for the beginning of July.

4.20 **On item 4.20 Concerns re crossing at Mynydd Cynffig Infant School** - There is still no Crossing patrol at this school.

4.21 **On item 4.21 Signage to KPC Youth** - Cllr Smith was not in attendance to update members regarding this matter.

4.22 **On item 4.22 Activities at Llys Ton** - Cllr Kearn was not in attendance to update members on this matter.

ACTION: Cllr Kearn

4.23 **On item 4.30 Concerns re highway at Bridge Street** - Cllr Radmore reported that the two accidents on Bridge Street involving pupils at Cynffig Comprehensive School had occurred outside of school hours, therefore they were not detailed in the School Accident Book.

4.24 **On item 4.24 Blocked gully at Croft Goch** - Cllr Kearn taking this matter forward.

ACTION: Cllr Kearn

4.25 **On item 6A** - The Clerk confirmed South Wales Police have taken forward the necessary electrical work installation of defibrillators and delivery is now awaited.

4.26 **On item 7G** -The Clerk confirmed that 'pop in' consultation event had been held on 25th May. However, attendance by members of the public had been poor.

4.27 **Item 15 - Consideration of donation to Kenfig Hill Brownies and Rainbow Groups.** Cllr Radmore reported on his recent attendance at a meeting of the newly reformed Scouts & Guides Hall Association. Cllr Radmore proposed that this organisation be written to with an offer of support and this Council's wish to help them in any way they can. Cllr Workman seconded this proposal.

5. Reports

a. Clerk's Report

As reported above.

b. Chair's Report

The Clerk gave details of Chair's report.

c. Member Reports

As already discussed at 'matters arising from previous meeting'.

6. Correspondence

- a) **Porthcawl Town Council** - Invitation to Civic Service
- b) **Whittington Landscape Architecture** - Marlas Road Phase 2. Discussed at item 4.5 above.
- c) **Ysgol y Ferch o'r Sger** - Governor Vacancy. No member had availability at this time to undertake this role.
- d) **Flight Sgt R Peckham RAFAC** - Broken Standard Holder -Cllr Andrea Jones proposed Council purchase new holder. Cllr Radmore seconded this proposal. All members were in agreement.
- e) **BCBC - Town & Community Council Forum** - Neither the nominated representative, or substitute, were able to attend this meeting. Clerk to ensure BCBC have Cllr Jones's details as Pyle Community Council's representative on this forum.
- f) **Cynffig Comprehensive School** - Fun Day Eco Stall & Donation Request
Cllr A Radmore Declared an Interest in this matter as he is Chair of the Board of Governors at this school
Members discussed this request for donation and the forthcoming Eco Assembly. Cllr Amy Jones proposed £200 be donated to the Eco Club and a maximum of £100 be spent on providing plaques for presentation to pupil members and the School. Cllr Andrea Jones seconded this proposal. All members were in agreement
- g) **SPLICE Child and Family Project - Thank you for Donation.** Cllr K John advised Council that the Head of the SPLICE Project is visiting the Kenfig Hill project on 13th July, members are invited.
- h) **Maesteg Town Council - Invitation to Civic Service.**
- i) **Seafarers UK - Merchant Navy Day Flag Flying** - Members noted.
- j) **Mr G Goff - Community Access Defibrillators** - The Clerk gave details of this correspondence. Members asked that Mr Goff be invited to attend the October meeting. Cllr Radmore proposed this Council undertake a rolling programme to install community access defibrillators in the area. Cllr Amy Jones seconded this proposal. All members were in agreement.
- k) **One Voice Wales - Membership** - The Clerk gave details of membership offer of 50% reduction for the forthcoming year. Members discussed the benefits of membership. Cllr Radmore proposed membership for 2018-19 at reduced cost. Cllr Andrea Jones seconded this proposal. All members were in agreement, apart from Cllr C James, who wished it to be noted that he had abstained from the vote on this matter.
- l) **National Assembly Wales** - Consultation on diversity in local government.
- m) **KPC** - the Clerk gave details of this correspondence, including meeting request. The Clerk was asked to obtain potential meeting dates in August for consideration.
- n) **BCBC** - Vacancy on Standards Committee. Members did not have availability to apply for vacancy at this time.
- o) **Pyle Church** - Thank you for grant to carry out work at graveyard
- p) **BCBC** - Blocked drains at rear of Pwllgarth Street. Cllr Kearn is taking forward problems with drains in the area.

ACTION: Cllr Kearn
- q) **Mr P Williams** - Rubbish at Commercial Street. Clerk confirmed this problem has now been resolved.
- r) **J & L Carne** - Internal Audit Invoice. Cllr C James proposed payment of invoice. Cllr A John seconded this proposal. All members were in agreement.
- s) **Mrs D Jones** - Maintenance at Ffordd yr Eglwys Cemetery. Clerk gave details of this enquiry regarding request for collaboration of neighbouring community councils to take forward enhanced ground maintenance at the cemetery. The Clerk was asked to make further enquiries regarding this.

- t) **Pyle Library** – Invitation to School Quiz Final. Cllr K John attended on behalf of Council.

7. Festival Week & Fun Day

Cllr Radmore reported on the success of the Fun Day and confirmed that a meeting will be held in the next couple of weeks to look at things that worked and what could be improved. This meeting will also discuss the success, or not, of events held during Festival Week. Cllr James congratulated Cllr Radmore and the Festival Committee on the success of the Fun Day.

8. Community Awards Programme

Cllr Radmore will provide further detail on this programme at the July meeting.

9. Planning Applications

- a. Application No. P/18/413/FUL – Porch extension with wc – 7 Heol Pont George, Pyle CF33 6JB
No objections/comments.

10. Rights of Way and Open Spaces

Cllr A John updated members on work to footpaths being undertaken.

11. Highways

Cllr A John reported that repairs to potholes appear to be being carried out to a better standard than previously.

12. To receive and if appropriate approve the Annual Return for the Year Ended 31st March 2018

The Clerk had previously distributed draft accounts, together with copy of Bank Reconciliations for the year.

The Clerk confirmed J & L Carne (internal auditor) had now returned approved Statement of Accounts for year ended 31st March 2018. Cllr Andrea Jones proposed Statement of Accounts for the year 2017-18 be approved and the Cash Book be noted accordingly. Cllr A John seconded this proposal. The same was unanimously approved and **IT WAS RESOLVED** accordingly. Acting Chair – Cllr N K John duly signed the Annual Return on behalf of Council.

13. Finance

Members had been provided with financial information and Budget monitoring data to 26th June. Cllr Andrea Jones proposed agreement of financial information and payment of accounts, as discussed. Cllr A John seconded this proposal. All members agreed.

14. Date of Next Meeting

Date of next meeting Tuesday 17th July 2018 at 6pm

Meeting closed 8.30pm

*Dawn Evans
Clerk to the Council*