



PYLE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL MEETING

on
Tuesday 18 September 2018
in the Talbot Community Centre

Members of public in attendance: None.

The meeting commenced at 6pm.

Present

Councillors; Mike Kearn (Chair), Gary Chappell, Alan John, Kay John, Andrew Radmore, Rhys Watkins & Cilla Workman

Clerk to the Council; Dawn Evans

1. **Apologies for Absence;** Cllrs Mrs Andrea Jones & Ms Amy Jones
2. **Presentation from Mr B Jones – Keep Wales Tidy**

Mr Jones passed members literature that had been prepared specifically for Town & Community Councils and he provided an overview of the work of Keep Wales Tidy and his role within it. He also spoke about the efforts being made to involve other local groups/organisations in the work and the excellent work Cynffig Comprehensive School are doing with their Eco Club. Information on forthcoming clean ups and the Facebook page that has been set up for Frog Pond Wood was also given. Mr Jones offered to assist the Council with any work they would like to take forward in relation to Keep Wales Tidy. The Chair thanked Mr Jones for attending the meeting and for the interesting information he had provided.
3. **Declaration of Interest** in Accordance with Section 51 of the Local Government Act 2000.

Cllrs Radmore & Workman declared an interest in ‘Correspondence’ item 9, relating to Cynffig Comprehensive School. They are both Governors at this school.

Cllr Kearn declared an interest in ‘Correspondence’ items 6 and 7, relating to BCBC’s Local Development Plan and Gambling Policy. He sits on BCBC committees relating to both these items.

The Clerk provided members with Register of Interest forms and asked that they be completed, including nil returns, and passed back to her.
4. **Approval of Minutes.**
 - a. The minutes for meeting held on 17 July were approved.
Proposed by Cllr K. John. Seconded by Cllr A Radmore.
 - b. Cllr M Kearn (Chair) signed the minutes as a true and correct record.
5. **Matters arising from minutes at item 4 above**

5.1 **On item 4.1 ‘Welcome to Kenfig Hill’ signs** - The Clerk had no further information on requests for a sign to be placed at the top of High Street as you come from Cefn Cribwr.

ACTION: CLERK

5.2 **On item 4.2 Heathbridge Miners Square** - Fallen plaques have now been replaced. Cllr Radmore will pass photographs of the plaques in situ to the Clerk.

5.3 **On item 4.3 Rosemount Garden** - Lease still awaited from BCBC.

5.4 **On item 4.4 Marlas Road** - Amended planning approval awaited from BCBC, phase 2 will be taken forward when this is received. Clerk provided information on quote received from Whittington Landscape & Architecture for planting of shrubs in the area. Members discussed this quote but did not feel the cost was in line with the finance available for this project. The Clerk was asked to make further enquiries regarding shrubs and wild flowers for the area.

ACTION: CLERK

5.5 **On item 4.5 Helig Fan** - Cllr Kearn reported that the wall in this area has been rebuilt.

5.6 **On item 4.6 main thoroughfare at Kenfig Hill** - to be revisited in January 2019.

5.7 **On item 4.7 re-siting of bus shelter on Pigsaw Street** - Members discussed this matter. It was felt that a better option would be to provide an additional shelter at Pigsaw Street. The Clerk was asked to contact BCBC requesting that consideration of an extra shelter be taken forward. Problems caused by the traffic island in the middle of the highway on Pigsaw Street were discussed. The Clerk was asked to make request that BCBC remove this island in the interest of traffic safety.

ACTION: CLERK

5.8 **On item 4.8 Pandy Crescent** - Cllr K John reported that complaints had been received from residents in this area regarding cars parking on grass verges and motor repairs being undertaken on the street. The Clerk to pass these complaints to Police. The Clerk reported there had been no progress on receiving further quotes to tarmac under the benches at the park. Members discussed Gerald Davies's quote. Cllr K John proposed acceptance of this quote. Cllr A John seconded this proposal. All members were in agreement. The Clerk presented proposed inscription for information sign at the Park. Cllr Workman proposed acceptance of inscription. Cllr A John seconded this proposal, with the addition of words relating to the World War 1 Battlefields. All members were in agreement with this.

5.9 **On item 4.9 The Collwyn** - Clerk reported that ‘danger’ sign has now been sited in the area.

5.10 **On item 4.10 Park Slip** - In the absence of Cllr Gebbie there was no update on this matter. Cllr A John reported that machinery has been taken from the site. Cllr K John reported that water levels are still low.

5.11 **On item 4.11 Repairs to Kissing Gate at Ty Talwyn Avenue** - Cllr Kearn reported that he had not received any response to request made to BCBC regarding this matter. Cllr Chappell reported that users of this path find it easier to negotiate without the kissing gates and it may not therefore be beneficial to have them reinstated. This matter was discussed. It was agreed that Cllr Kearn would request that BCBC remove the remnants of the kissing gate and replace it with 2 boulders to stop motor vehicles/bikes using the area.

Cllr A John reported an overgrown hedge in this area, which is causing problems. Cllr Kearn will this matter forward with the Enforcement department at BCBC.

ACTION: Cllr M Kearn

5.12 **On item 4.12 Rubbish** - Ongoing problems with rubbish were discussed. Cllr Chappell reported that he had met with the Store Manager at Asda, regarding litter and lack of maintenance at the lane in the area. The Manager has arranged a clean-up of the lane and his staff will undertake a weekly litter pick. It must be noted however that Asda

owns the lane and it is not a designated right of way, therefore there is no obligation on Asda to keep it clear, it is being undertaken in the interest of goodwill.

5.13 On item 4.13 Rubbish at Yr Hendre - Cllr Kearn is continuing to take this matter forward.

ACTION: Cllr Kearn

5.14 On item 4.14 Flooding near the old Crown Inn - Cllr Smith was not in attendance to provide an update on this matter.

5.15 On item 4.15 Japanese Knotweed at the rear of Ffordd y Goedwig - Cllr A John reported that the area at Ffordd y Goedwig has been examined and the plant is not Japanese Knotweed. Cllr Radmore reported that he had been informed that it is. Cllr Kearn will obtain clarification on this matter.

ACTION: Cllr Kearn

5.16 On item 4.16 Dog Fouling - Cllr Kearn provided details of initiative being taken forward by BCBC to provide free dog waste bags in specific 'dog walking' areas at Kenfig Hill and Pyle. Cllr Radmore reported on vandalism at the park to the rear of the dentist on Pisgah Street, Kenfig Hill. The Clerk will report this matter to BCBC.

ACTION: CLERK

5.17 On item 4.17 Category Asset Transfer of Croft Goch Playing Fields - Cllr Radmore updated members on the progress of this transfer.

5.18 On item 4.18 Concerns re crossing at Mynydd Cynffig Infant School - There is still no Crossing patrol at this school.

5.19 On item 4.19 Signage to KPC Youth - Cllr Smith is taking this forward under his Community Action Fund. The Clerk confirmed that she had made request to Cllr Smith regarding the remainder of his Community Action Fund being used to contribute to the resurfacing under benches required at Pandy Park.

5.20 On item 4.20 Activities at Llys Ton - Cllr Kearn is still making enquiries about this.

ACTION: Cllr Kearn

5.21 On item 4.21 Concerns re highway at Bridge Street - Cllr Kearn provided members with information forwarded by BCBC Highways department regarding this matter.

5.22 On item 4.22 - Defibrillator at Pyle Police Station. The Clerk reported that the defibrillator purchased jointly by this Council and Cornelly Community Council, has now been delivered.

5.23 On item 5c - Removal of post obstructing entrance at Kenfig Hill Rugby Football Club. BCBC have informed Cllr Kearn that they will remove this post when they have resources.

5.24 Item 5c - Deterioration of grounds at Pisgah Chapel - Cllr A John reported that the grounds are now looking better.

5.25 Item 5c - Christmas tree near Pyle Life Centre - The Clerk gave details of quote received from BCBC for this tree. Members discussed. Cllr Radmore proposed acceptance of quote. Cllr Chappell seconded this proposal. All members were in agreement.

5.26 Item 10 - Lack of Play Park at Waun Cimla - Cllr Kearn informed members that he would be prepared to put the monies from his BCBC Community Action Fund toward provision of a park in this area.

5.27 Item 6f - Purchase of 10th Edition Charles Arnold Baker Publication - The Clerk reported this edition is no longer available. However, the 11th edition is available at a discounted price of £103.99. Cllr Radmore proposed purchased on behalf of Council. Cllr Workman seconded proposal. All members were in agreement.

6. Reports

a. Clerk's Report

The Clerk provided details of members of Pyle Community Council sub committees. Cllrs Chappell and Watkins were nominated to sit on various sub committees. The Clerk will circulate updated list.

The Clerk gave details of Independent Remuneration Panel Review Report.

The Clerk gave details of quote received from Repro Print for provision of printer.

Members discussed this quote. Cllr K John proposed acceptance of quote. Cllr A John seconded this proposal. All members were in agreement.

b. Chair's Report

The Chair gave details of matters he is currently dealing with.

c. Member Reports

Cllrs Workman and Chappell updated members on meeting held with BCBC and Cornelly Community Council regarding maintenance at Ffordd yr Eglwys cemetery. Members asked that Cllrs Workman and Chappell take forward meetings with the two Councils currently undertaking extra work at their cemeteries to establish how successful the partnership working with BCBC is.

ACTION: Cllrs Workman & Chappell

Cllr Watkins spoke about overgrown grass at the rear of Heathbridge Surgery.

Members discussed this matter. P J Landscapes to be asked to cut this area.

Cllr Watkins spoke about problems with motorists ignoring the red light at the traffic lights on Commercial Street. This matter was discussed. The Clerk was asked to liaise with the PCSOs regarding this.

Cllr Workman spoke about mess at the bottom of Crown Road. Clerk to contact BCBC regarding this.

Cllr K John reported concerns that the barriers at the development on the site of the old Woodstock Inn are falling over on a regular basis.

Cllr A John reported problems with parking on Waubant Road. This matter to be passed to the police.

Cllr Chappell reported on problems with grass cutting and cars parking on pavements and yellow lines. This matter to be passed to the Police.

ACTION: CLERK

7. Correspondence

a) BCBC - Town & Community Council Forum.

The Clerk was asked to check who represents Council at this Forum.

b) Sgt. D Barry, South Wales Police - Introduction.

Sgt. Barry to be invited to October meeting.

c) BCBC - invitation to Mayoral Civic Service.

Apologies to be sent on behalf of Chair.

d) BCBC - Quote for seat at Pyle Bus Shelter.

Quote for seat accepted.

e) BAVO - Funding for Remembrance Day Silhouettes.

This Council has previously agreed to support Pyle Church in their bid for silhouettes. This bid was successful, and the Church have offered to share the silhouettes with this Council for Remembrance Service.

f) BCBC - Replacement Local Development Plan.

This matter was discussed, and member will provide Clerk with details of areas they wish to be considered for inclusion in the Plan.

g) BCBC - Notice of Consultation on Statement of Gambling Policy.

- h) **BCBC - Public Services Board, Sharing of Information Event**
- i) **Cynffig Comprehensive School - Thank you for Funding toward Eco Club**
- j) **Pil Primary School - Upcoming events**
- k) **One Voice Wales - Grants to support Natural Resources and Well Being**
- l) **One Voice Wales - Training Events**

8. Co-opting of Councillors

As discussed at July meeting, special meeting was held on 31st July to take forward co-opting of Councillors Chappell and Watkins.

9. Arrangements for Remembrance Day 2018

Cllr Chappell confirmed that Asda are happy for poppy selling to take place at the entrance to their store for the two weeks leading up to Remembrance Day.

The Clerk confirmed a meeting has been arranged with local organisations involved in the Remembrance Day Service and Parade.

The Clerk asked that members who wish to attend the Remembrance Day lunch at the Talbot Community Centre let her know as soon as possible, to allow numbers to be passed to the Centre.

10. Arrangements for Christmas 2018

Members discussed arrangements for 'Switching on of Lights' event, scheduled for Friday 30th November. Cllr K John proposed grotto be provided, as last year. Cllr A John seconded this proposal. Christmas tree to be provided at Pyle, as discussed at item 5.25 above. Cllr Radmore provided information on pantomime event suggested as part of Christmas events. Members discussed. Cllr K John proposed provision of pantomime. Cllr R Watkins seconded this proposal. All members were in agreement. Cllr K John proposed grant be provided to Pyle Church to assist with their Christmas events, as in previous years. Cllr R Watkins seconded this proposal. All members were in agreement

11. Community Awards Programme

Cllr Radmore presented nomination forms and related information on this event.

12. Planning Applications

Application No. ENF/221/18/ANC - Non-compliance with condition 10 of P/15/464/FUL (construction management plan - Llys yr Orsaf Station Road, Kenfig Hill CF33 6FH

No objections/comments.

Application No. T18/40/TPO - Crown lift ad reduce crowns by up to 2m to T1, T2, T3 and Tr. Crown lift and reduce crowns by up to 1.5m, fell high stump to G1. Crown lift and reduce crown by up to 1.5m to G2 - 6 Ton View, Kenfig Hill CF33 6EX

No objections/comments.

Application No. P/18/678/FUL - Land adjacent to Pyle Fish Bar- 1 Ffald Road, Pyle CF33 6AA
Members discussed this application. Members had various concerns regarding this proposal. The Clerk was asked to object on behalf of Council on the grounds discussed.

Application No. P/18/686/FUL - Reconstruction of garage to the rear with a higher roof and different profile - 25 Park Street, Kenfig Hill CF33 6AR

No objections/comments.

Application No. P/14/38/BCB -40B Sturmi Way Village Farm Industrial Estate, Pyle CF33 6BZ - Change of se to household waste recovery centre (amended plans received 10.09.18)

Members discussed this application. Cllr Radmore has further information on this proposal which he will forward to the Clerk.

13. Rights of Way and Open Spaces

Cllr R Watkins reported damage to the bench at the entrance to Waun Cimla. Clerk to report to BCBC.

ACTION: Clerk

14.Highways

Nothing to report, other than that discussed above.

15. Finance, including External Audit for year ended 31.03.18

The Clerk presented conclusion of external audit and 'matters arising'.

Cllr Radmore proposed acceptance of minutes relating to Finance meeting held on 4th September and ratification of all decisions made at that meeting. Cllr Workman seconded this proposal. All members were in agreement.

Members had been provided with financial information and Budget monitoring data to 4th September. Cllr Radmore proposed agreement of financial information and payment of accounts, as discussed. Cllr G Chappell seconded this proposal. All members agreed.

16. Date of Next Meeting

Date of next meeting Tuesday 16th October 2018 at 6pm

Meeting closed 8.30pm

*Dawn Evans
Clerk to the Council*