



# PYLE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL MEETING

on  
Tuesday 20 June 2017  
in the Talbot Community Centre

### Questions from the public

There were no questions from the public.  
The meeting commenced at 5.30pm.

### Present

Councillors: G Hooper, C James, A John, K John, M Kearns &  
C Workman

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

1. **Apologies for Absence;** Councillors P James, A Jones & A Radmore
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 23 May were approved.  
Proposed by Cllr G Hooper. Seconded by Cllr A John.
  - b. Cllr M Kearns (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 there had been a delay in siting the seven plaques mentioned in the last meeting, due to the contractor suffering a bereavement. The Clerk will arrange for the dedication of the new plaques, as with previous plaques.
    - ii. Rosemount Garden  
The Clerk reported that the purchase of notice board is being taken forward.
    - iii. Marlas Road  
The Clerk reported that BCBC have not yet removed the Harries fencing from around the bus shelter, this is being chased up. BCBC have changed the specification for phase 2 and this raised the cost considerably, which has meant the budget has had to be revisited. The architect is in the process of amending the original design to make the necessary savings to allow progression. The Clerk is meeting with the contractor this week to discuss the new specification.

iv. **Helig Fan**

The Clerk has met with Geoff Whittington and Groundworks Caerphilly regarding this project. Funding for the project is being looked at. Part of this project could be taken forward in partnership with a community group and KPC is thought to be a good partner for this. The Cllrs representing Youth were asked to take this forward with KPC. Part of the project will be to replace the bench that used to be sited in this area.

v. **Library Wall.** To be revisited later in the year.

vi. **British Telecom Telephone Exchange.** (For reference, no change)

vii. **Main thoroughfare avenue**

The Clerk advised members of progress on this project and reported that final submission is being drawn up to present to BCBC.

viii. **Pandy Crescent**

The Clerk reported that there is a meeting with contractors scheduled for Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June, when it is hoped the final contract can be agreed in readiness for signing.

The Clerk was asked to obtain information on historic Section 106 agreements.

b. **The Collwyn.**

Cllr John reported that work has been undertaken at the Collwyn and Mr D Brace has arranged for the bank to be cut back once the nesting season is over.

c. **Rubbish in back lanes.**

Ongoing problems with rubbish were discussed. It was agreed regular inspection walks will be undertaken to monitor problem areas and necessary action taken.

d. **Park Slip**

The Clerk reported on update provided by Jonathan Parsons - BCBC.

e. **Festival Week.**

The final meeting of Festival Committee was held last night. Everything is in place for start of Festival Week on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June.

## 5. **Reports**

a. **Clerk's Report**

The Deputy Clerk reported on meeting she and Cllr Workman attended with Cynffig Comprehensive School. This was a very positive meeting and plans were laid out for future liaison between the Council and the School.

b. **Member Reports**

Cllr Kearn reported that he had received complaints regarding pupils from Cynffig Comprehensive School leaving litter in North Avenue. Cllr Radmore will raise this via the Governors at the School.

Cllr Hooper reported that she had recently attended a Governors meeting at Mynydd Cynffig Primary School. Iestyn inspection at the school is due to commence on 6<sup>th</sup> July.

Cllr Workman reported that she had recently attended a Governors meeting at Cynffig Comprehensive School and she has been elected to represent Diversity on the Governor's Board.

Cllr A John reported that he had been called to the footpath at the side of Asda on the weekend to inspect the overgrowth. PJ Landscapes were instructed to cut back the overgrowth as it was impassable. The Clerk was asked to write to Asda - the owners of this footpath, and formally request that they maintain the path and reinstate the light in the area.

Cllr K John reported that the green area opposite the new houses which are being built on Station Road has been left in a very bad state and requested that new pedestrian paving be looked at in this area. Cllr Kearn will refer this matter to BCBC.

Cllr Workman reported on funding difficulties being experienced by KPC and asked that KPC be included on the July Agenda. Cllr Workman also requested that consideration be given to more Cllrs sitting on the Youth Committee.

The Clerk gave details of written report provided by Cllr Radmore relating to his role as Chair of the Governing Body at Cynffig Comprehensive School.

## 6. Correspondence

- a. Vine Christian Centre - invitation to partnership with Louisiana event to be held at Cwrt Anghorfa on 26<sup>th</sup> June from 10.30am to 12.30pm.
- b. Bridgend County Borough Council Mayor's Charity - Invitation to Charity Coffee Morning on 21<sup>st</sup> June 2017.
- c. Bridgend County Borough Council - Report on Appointment of School Governors. It will be ensured that the interests of this Council are maintained on local school Governing Boards.
- d. BCBC - Active Travel Plans - the Clerk gave details of this initiative. It was agreed these plans would be included in the Regeneration Plans of this Council.
- e. Cenin Renewables - The Clerk reported on meeting held with Cenin today.
- f. Stormy Down RAF Memorial unveiling event at Cenin Renewables. Cllrs C & P James, K John and A John will attend this event.
- g. Porthcawl Museum and Historical Society - at the May meeting it was resolved to grant £115 for the purchase of a plaque at Stormy Down to commemorate those who served in WW2, with the proviso that mention be made on the plaque of this Council's donation. The cheque has now been returned as it was not possible to include the information requested on the plaque.
- h. Talbot Community Centre - information relating to 'Bake It' event at Cwtrch Cynffig.
- i. KPC - invitation to 'Bingo and cream tea' event on 29<sup>th</sup> June.
- j. Seafarers UK - request to fly a flag for Merchant Navy Day. There is no flagpost in the village therefore the Council is unable to consider this request.

## 7. Planning

- i. 13 Victoria Road, Kenfig Hill CF33 6ER  
Stepped access arrangements: alterations / improvements  
No objections/comments.
- ii. 12 Ffordd Y Goedwig, Pyle CF33 6HY  
Single storey front extension  
No objections/comments.

## 8. Rights of Way and Open Spaces

Cllr Kearn reported that the grass has been cut from the Frog Pond down to the bridge and the area is being properly maintained.

Cllr A John reported on progress made on the footpath at the top of the steps in Station Road. Cllr John requested that formal request be made to the Rights of Way department at BCBC to reaffirm the boundary between Pyle Council and Cefn Council at the playing fields on the Waun.

Cllr Workman reported on rubbish dumped near Garth Street. The Environmental department at BCBC should be informed of this problem.

## 9. Highways

Irregularities in street signs at Station Road were discussed. This matter should be passed to BCBC for clarification.

## 10. Donations / Grants

- a) Acknowledgements  
None.
- b) Requests

- i. 1<sup>st</sup> Kenfig Hill Cubs. It was resolved to grant £100 for the purchase of arts & crafts materials. Proposed by Cllr A John. Seconded by Cllr C James. The Clerk asked if all members were in agreement with this donation. They were not, a vote was held, the result was 5 FOR, 1 AGAINST. It was resolved to donate £100.
- ii. Dance Crazy Studio – It was resolved to grant £100. Proposed by Cllr A John. Seconded by Cllr C James. The Clerk asked if all members were in agreement with this donation. They were not, a vote was held, the result was 5 FOR, 1 AGAINST. It was resolved to donate £100.

**11. Finance and Accounts**

The Clerk proposed acceptance of financial information. Cllr K John seconded this proposal.

A Finance meeting will be called on 17<sup>th</sup> July.

**12. Any Other Business**

Cllr G Hooper reported that there are still problems with lorries parking at the front of Bargain Booze. This matter should be passed to the Police for action. Request should also be made to the Police for them to take action against the lorry continually parking on the pavement at Moriah Place.

Meeting closed a 7.15pm

*Date of next meeting Tuesday 18th July 2017 at 5.30pm*

*Dawn Evans  
Deputy Clerk to the Council*