

COLWINSTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD IN THE SYCAMORE TREE INN,
COLWINSTON ON MONDAY 17TH FEBRUARY 2020 AT 7:00PM

1. Attendance

Cllrs: Cllr E Lewis (Chairman)
Cllr B Morris (Honorary Treasurer)
Cllr T Wilson
Cllr C Hadley
Cllr J Lloyd

Also present: K Protheroe (Clerk), Cllr C Cave, Mr C Hawkins (Colwinston Youth Club)

Apologies: Cllr G Jones, PCSO A Stone

2. Appointment of new co-opted councillor to Colwinston Community Council

Cllr Morris proposed that Ms Christine Roach should be co-opted to serve as a community councillor for Colwinston Community Council; this was seconded by Cllr Wilson and agreed by all.

It was RESOLVED that Ms C Roach be co-opted to serve as a community councillor for Colwinston Community Council.

Action Point: Clerk to confirm appointment to VOGC

3. Disclosure and confirmation of Declarations of Interest

None.

4. Public Session

There were no members of the public present.

5. Presentation: Conway Hawkins, Colwinston Youth Club

Mr Hawkins presented his written report on the youth club's activities and current progress.

The Community Council thanked Mr Hawkins for his attendance and noted his report.

6. To receive the minutes of the Ordinary meeting held on 20th January 2020

It was proposed by Cllr Morris to accept the minutes of the OGM as a true record; this was seconded by Cllr Hadley and agreed by all.

The Chairman signed the minutes

7. To consider any matters arising from those minutes not covered elsewhere in the agenda

There was one matter arising:

16.1. January 2020: The Clerk advised the Community Council that the cleaning of the village bus shelter and the various obscured village signs would be carried out by VOGC.

8. To consider Police matters

The Clerk noted that no report from the Police had been received.

Cllr Cave noted Mr Hawkins earlier comments about drug dealing in the vicinity of the bus stop, and action taken by Mr Hawkins and Cllr Cave to address the matter that had been tackled by the Police. The Community Council was pleased to note that the matter had been tackled but asked the Clerk to raise the matter at the next VOGC Community Liaison meeting.

9. To consider County Council matters

The Community Council thanked Cllr Cave for her written report and noted its contents.

Cllr Cave confirmed that she will be holding a surgery in the village in March 2020.

10. Review of progress with current projects

The Community Council considered the current projects and noted that the Clerk has written to Mr Miles Punter, VOGC's Director of Environment and Housing in respect of Glan Ynys, The Vines, Heol Cae Pwll, the footpath outside the old schoolhouse, brown information signs and 'pedestrians in road' signs. A reply is awaited.

The Council noted the following in respect of current projects:

- Defibrillators: the new heated box for the Sycamore Tree Inn has been delivered and arrangements made for its installation. It will give access to the defibrillator twenty-four hours per day. The defibrillator for the community hall will either be provided by installing a relocated existing unit or by the Community Council purchasing a new unit
- Broadband project: it was agreed that the price to be obtained for the fibre optic cable to be installed should cover all qualifying village properties, including isolated properties. It was noted that businesses in the village are potentially critical to accessing grant funding. Cllr Hadley has identified all the businesses that work from the village

- The continuing highway obstruction in the vicinity of the Pantiles was noted
- The removal of the 'coffin-stile': The Clerk confirmed that there was no update from the VOGC. The Community Council agreed that the VOGC's Planning Conservation Officer should be invited to the April meeting of the Community Council to discuss this matter and the general enforcement of the Colwinston conservation area

The Council discussed the acquisition of land to provide a public open space for the enjoyment of the local community and how this could be achieved. It was proposed by Cllr Lewis that this should represent a new project for 2020/21; this was seconded by Cllr Lloyd and agreed by all.

The Council noted the temporary repairs arranged by Cllr Cave to the street lighting distribution box case at the A48 end of Twmpath Lane, which has corroded through. It was agreed that the full repair should be monitored by the Community Council.

Action Points:

- **The Clerk to liaise with Cllr Roach regarding the defibrillator for the community hall and report to next meeting**
- **The Clerk to write a further email to VOGC regarding the highway obstruction**
- **Cllrs Hadley, Lewis and Morris to visit local businesses to explain the broadband project to them**
- **Cllr Hadley to arrange the quotation for connection of all qualifying properties in the village i.e. those on the 01656 exchange**
- **The Clerk to contact One Voice Wales to clarify the Community Council's powers in respect of financially supporting the broadband project**
- **The Clerk to invite the VOGC Planning Conservation Officer to the April meeting of the Community Council**
- **The Clerk to update the project monitoring report for further consideration at the March 2020 meeting**

11. To consider the Clerk's report including matters of a financial nature

The Community Council noted the Clerk's activities in the last month. The Clerk advised the Community Council that funds as of 30th January 2020 equalled £17,368.75 including payments noted below. The cashbook reconciled to the bank statement as of 30th January 2020.

The Clerk advised members of payments requiring approval detailed in the Clerk's report. It was proposed by Cllr Hadley that the payment should be approved; this was seconded by Cllr Lloyd and agreed by all. The payments were as follows:

17/02/2020 Wales Audit Office

244.75

The Clerk confirmed that there had been no receipts since the January 2020 meeting.

12. To consider any planning matters

The Clerk advised the Community Council that since the February meeting, the following planning applications requiring the Community Council's attention had been received:

Planning Application No. 2020/00040/FUL (CR)

Location: Land at The Old Brocastle Quarry, Roman Road, Crack Hill, Bridgend

Proposal: Alterations to existing access and creation of three traveller pitches to include a static residential caravan, touring caravan and day/utility room per pitch (partially retrospective)

Due to the expiry of the consultation period prior to the February 2020 Community Council meeting, the application was circulated by email to members. All responses received objected to the application primarily due to road/junction safety. The objection was duly submitted to the VOGC.

Cllr Hadley enquired if the Brocastle quarry emitted any environmental pollution and asked the Clerk to make the necessary enquiries.

The Chair requested clarification from the VOGC as to why the Community Council is consulted on some, but not all, planning applications.

Action Point:

- **Clerk to contact the VOGC**
- **Clerk to contact National Resources Wales**

13. To consider any correspondence and associated replies required

The Clerk noted the report, outlined actions taken and advised the Community Council that no correspondence required their attention at the meeting.

14. To consider any reports of Councillors

14.1 Cllr Lloyd noted that the Village Community Association is planning a VE Day 75 celebration. The Chair noted that the Community Council was willing to support any village event organised to mark this occasion.

14.2 The Chairman requested the inclusion of the Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales have completed review of the Vale of Glamorgan be included on the agenda for the next meeting.

15. Date of next meeting

The next meeting of the Community Council will be on Monday 23rd March 2020 at 7pm at the Sycamore Tree Inn, Colwinston.

The meeting closed at 08:55PM.

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CHAIRMAN, COLWINSTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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CLERK, COLWINSTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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