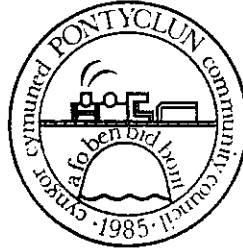


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Minutes of the meeting of the Pontyclun Community Council held at the Pontyclun Community Centre, Pontyclun, at 7.30p.m. on Wednesday, 1 March, 1989.

PRESENT: Community Councillors Professor I D Bowen, Mrs I V Evans, Mr E Hopkin, Mr V P James, Mr R C Kennard, Mrs O P Phillips (Chairlady) and Mrs D Richards-Clarke

APOLOGIES: Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Community Councillors Mr T J Burton, Mrs A Burton and Mr R G Norman. An apology for absence was also received on behalf of P C Steve Keddle.

1. Minutes of the Council's meeting of 1 February, 1989

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Council's meeting of 1 February, 1989, be approved as an accurate record.

2. Matters arising

(a) Blasting at Hendy Quarry, Miskin

The Council welcomed receipt of the letter from the Chief Superintendent of Police in Pontypridd in which it was stated that the quarry manager had been advised that he had no authority to close roads and that the police had to be consulted and involved in any future closure. Councillor James reported that the Borough Council had purchased two monitoring devices for measuring the strength of blasts and that one of the devices would be installed in Miskin.

The matter was noted.

(b) St David's Walk for Life - Transplant Walk

The Chairlady, Councillor Mrs Pam Phillips, informed the Council of the progress in organising the sponsored walk on the morning of Sunday, 5 March, 1989. She had been encouraged at the level of support for the event within the Community and was optimistic that with reasonable weather conditions on the morning of 5 March, the event would be a success. Mrs Phillips paid tribute to the assistance which had been given from many quarters in organising the Walk.

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RESOLVED: That the Council underwrite the out of pocket expenses incurred by the organisers of the event to the value of £50.00.

(c) Official opening of the Nant Dyfrgi Bridge

The Council discussed the official opening of the bridge across the Nant Dyfrgi. It was felt that a small opening ceremony would be appropriate and that an invitation should be extended to the landowners on both sides of the bridge. The Council also believed that publicity should be given to the new bridge and that the attention of residents of the Community should be drawn to the very pleasant circular walk now available.

RESOLVED: (i) That the Clerk contact the Welsh Water Authority for advice on an appropriate person to open the bridge.

(ii) That the matter be placed on the Council's agenda for its meeting of 5 April, 1989.

(d) Planning Application No 56/0002/89

The Clerk reported that when the above planning application had been considered at the Council's meeting on 1 February, 1989, the Council had been misled into thinking that the site in question was opposite the Maesyfelin sportsfield. It was subsequently discovered that the land in question was located in Talygarn, and as a result, the comments made at the Council's meeting of 1 February, 1989 were inappropriate. The application had subsequently been referred for consideration to the Council's Special Meeting on 16 February, 1989.

The matter was noted.

(e) Tree felling near Llwynypennau Farm, Groesfaen

The Clerk reported that he had made enquiries about the tree felling with the Borough Council but had yet to receive a positive reply.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk continue to pursue the matter with the Borough Council.

(f) Erection of bollards and "private" signs on the green at Y Parc, Groesfaen.

The Clerk reported that he had made preliminary enquiries about the erection of the bollards and "private" signs but had been unable to establish who had been responsible for their erection.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk continue to pursue the matter with the Borough Council and the County Council.



(g) Dipali Restaurant, Llantrisant Road, Pontyclun.

The Clerk reminded the Council that at the Council's meeting on 1 February, 1989, he had been requested to place the matter of the apparent breaches of one of the planning consent conditions for the Dipali Restaurant on the agenda for the Community Council's meeting of 1 March, 1989. Shortly after the Council's meeting of 1 February, 1989, the proprietor of the restaurant had made application for planning consent to allow his premises to remain open until midnight. If consent were to be granted by the Borough Council it would have the effect of regularising the apparent breaches complained of. The application was due to be considered by the Borough Council before the next Community Council's meeting of 1 March, 1989, and, as a result, the matter had been referred to the Council's Special Meeting of 16 February, 1989.

The matter was noted.

3. Minutes of the Finance Committee's meeting of 7 February, 1989

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Finance Committee's meeting of 7 February, 1989, be approved as an accurate record.

4. Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

5. Adoption of Finance Committee's recommendations

RESOLVED: That the recommendations of the Finance Committee be adopted.

6. Minutes of the Council's Special Meeting of 16 February, 1989

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Council's Special Meeting of 16 February, 1989 be approved as an accurate record.

7. Dipali Restaurant, Llantrisant Road, Pontyclun

Copies of Mr Jackson's letters to the Chairlady of the Community Council, Mrs Pam Phillips, and to the Chief Planning Officer of the Borough Council were noted.

8. Premises for Handyman

The Council discussed the letter of 15 February, 1989, from the Borough Council's Chief Technical Officer in which he stated that the former fire station in Pontyclun is in the ownership of the Borough Council's direct labour organisation and that it was not envisaged that the premises would become vacant in the foreseeable future.

RESOLVED: (i) That Councillor James, in his capacity as a Borough Councillor, pursue the matter of surplus Borough Council property in the Community with the Borough Council.

(ii) That the Clerk arrange for an advertisement to be published in the local press seeking suitable premises in the Community for the storage of Community Council tools.

(iii) That the responses to the Council's advertisement be discussed at a future meeting of the Council.

9. Footpaths Nos 289, Mwyndy, and No 296, Llwynmilwas

The Council discussed the letter dated 10 February, 1989 from the Llantrisant Community Council about footpaths No 289 at Mwyndy and No 296 at Llwynmilwas, Groesfaen. It was noted that the problem at Mwyndy had been resolved but that it was felt that to avoid confusion arising again on the route of the footpath a "public footpath" sign be erected at the point where the footpath leaves the metalled highway. On the matter of Footpath No 296 at Llwynmilwas, the Council noted with concern that it appeared that no progress had been made by the County Council since May, 1988.

- RESOLVED:
- (i) That the County Council be requested to erect a "public footpath" sign at the point where Footpath No 289 leaves the metalled highway.
  - (ii) That a map showing the correct route of Footpath No 289 be placed on all Community Council noticeboards.
  - (iii) That a copy of the map showing the correct route of Footpath No 289 be sent to the Llantrisant Community Council.
  - (iv) That the Council's disquiet be conveyed to the County Council over the lack of progress in addressing the problem of the blockage of Footpath No 296 at Llwynmilwas, Groesfaen.

10. Adoption of sewers in Rhyd-y-Nant, Pontyclun

The Council discussed the letter dated 20 February, 1989 received from the Borough Council's Chief Technical Officer, in which it was pointed out that in addition to the permission of the ground landlord it would be necessary to clarify with the freeholders in Rhyd-y-Nant whether they would be prepared to offer formally the sewers for adoption.

- RESOLVED:
- (i) That the Clerk, together with Professor Bowen, circulate a letter to all residents in Rhyd-y-Nant, enclosing copies of all previous correspondence in the matter.
  - (ii) That where residents are freeholders, their views be sought on formally offering the sewers for adoption.

- (iii) That the Clerk collate freeholders' replies and convey the decisions to the Borough Council.

11. Weekly Planning Notifications for Weeks Nos 4,5,6 and 7

The Council considered the planning applications contained in Weekly Notifications No.s 4,5,6 and 7.

RESOLVED: That the following comments be made to the Borough Council :-

Application No 56/0055/89

That despite the application being described as falling within the Maesyfelin Ward, the application related to land outside the Community of Pontyclun.

Application No 56/0080/89

That as the application was similar in content to Application No 56/0806/88, the Council oppose the application on the same grounds as given previously.

Application No 56/0105/89

That the Council oppose the application on the grounds that the proposal was considered to be inappropriate for the main street of Pontyclun and that the proposal would lead to a development out of character with other shops in the main street.

12. Reports from Members

(a) Dumping of rubbish

Councillor James reported that quantities of rubbish had been deposited at the rear of the Indian restaurant in Cowbridge Road, Pontyclun, and that there had been reports of rats seen in the vicinity. The matter had been brought to the attention of the Borough Council and all the rubbish had been removed.

The report was noted.

(b) Household refuse - paper separation

Councillor James reported that the experiment of separating paper from household refuse for separate collection had not been a success. He no longer separated his household refuse.

The report was noted.



(c) Declaration of rate by the Borough Council for 1989/90

Councillor Professor Bowen reported that the Borough Council had set its rate for 1989/90 the previous evening. The decision had involved making a reduction of £300,000 in the housing repairs budget while increasing council house rents by £3.00 per week. The decision of the Borough Council had been carried by 18 votes to 17 votes.

The report was noted.

(d) Dumping of refuse at the junction of the lane at the rear of Llwynfen Road and Tirafon Court, Pontyclun

Councillor bowen drew the attention of the Council to accumulations of rubbish which were appearing at the junction of the lane at the rear of Llwynfen Road and Tirafon Court, Pontyclun.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk pursue the matter with the Chief Environmental Health Officer of the Borough Council requesting either a sign be erected warning against the dumping of rubbish, or alternatively, that a fence be erected to prevent dumping.

(e) Mansion House, Cardiff

The Chairlady, Mrs Pam Phillips, informed the Council that she, together with representatives of other community and town councils, had recently visited the Mansion House, Cardiff for an informal evening at the invitation of the Lord Mayor of the Cardiff City Council. All guests had been given a history of the House and the uses to which it had been put over the years. The Chairlady had found the visit to the Mansion House to be very informative.

The report was noted.

13. Payment of Creditors

RESOLVED: That payment be approved to the creditors listed in Appendix 13 to the Council's agenda.

14. Any other business of an urgent nature

(a) Condition of pavement opposite Hope Presbyterian Church Hall, Cerdin Avenue, Pontyclun.

Councillor Mrs D Richards-Clarke drew the Council's attention to the poor condition of the pavement opposite Hope Presbyterian Church Hall, Cerdin Avenue, Pontyclun. Mrs Richards-Clarke also drew attention to the iron projection in the road at the same spot.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk take up both matters with the County Council.

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(b) Sewage problems at Castell-y-Mwnws

Councillor Kennard informed the Council that there had been a recurrence of sewage problems at Castell-y-Mwnws. On the latest occasion the sewer from castell-y-Mwnws had blocked causing raw sewage to flow down a nearby track and pollute the Nant Felin Fach. The incident was reported to the Borough Council but remedial action was not carried out for a period of 36 hours.

RESOLVED: (i) That enquiries be made of the Borough Council to find out why a period of 36 hours had elapsed before remedial action was undertaken.

(ii) That enquiries be also made of the Borough Council to find out what long-term plans were in existence to prevent further blockages of the sewer at Castell-y-Mwnws.

(c) Condition of pavement outside No 44 Brynamlwg, Pontyclun

The Chairlady, Mrs Pam Phillips, drew the Council's attention to the dangerous condition of the pavement outside No 44 Brynamlwg, Pontyclun.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk take the matter up with the County Council.

15. The meeting ended at 9.25p.m.

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