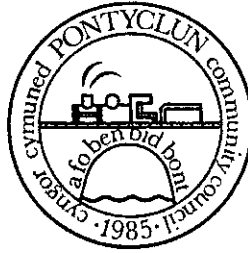


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Minutes of the meeting of the Pontyclun Community Council held at the Pontyclun Community Centre, Pontyclun, at 7.30p.m. on Wednesday, 7 June, 1989.

PRESENT: Community Councillors Mrs A Burton, Mrs I V Evans, Mr E Hopkin, Mr V P James (Chairman), Mr R C Kennard, Mr R G Norman and Mrs O P Phillips

APOPOGIES: Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Community Councillors Professor I D Bowen, Mr T J Burton and Mrs D Richards-Clarke

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: WPC Rhian Evans

1. Minutes of the Council's meeting of 10 May, 1989

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Council's meeting of 10 May, 1989, be confirmed as an accurate record subject to the inclusion of the words "and make enquiries about the possibility of purchasing the accommodation" after the words "Scheme Manager" in minute 20 (g).

2. Matters arising

(a) Former Chairlady, Councillor Mrs O P Phillips

The Chairman, Councillor V P James, paid tribute to the way in which Councillor Mrs Pam Phillips, the Community Council's first Chairlady, had carried out her duties during her year of office. She had Chaired the Council very efficiently, represented it with dignity, and had contributed a great deal of hard work.

The Chairman's remarks were endorsed by the Council.

(b) Post of Handyman

Councillor Norman declared an interest in the matter and reserved his right to speak but without taking part in any vote.

The Clerk reported that the Council's handyman, Mr Ron Milson, had resigned his post to take up alternative employment as a heavy goods vehicle driver.

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- RESOLVED: (i) That the Clerk convey to Mr Milsom the Community Council's gratitude for the excellent way in which he had performed his duties and wishing him well in his new employment.
- (ii) That the vacancy be advertised in the local press.
- (iii) That the Clerk establish whether Mr Milsom would be in a position to carry out the duties of handyman in a part-time capacity until such time as a full-time employee is appointed.

(c) Official opening of the Nant Dyfrgi ~~BRIDGE~~

The Clerk reported that Mr Mel Watkins of the Nature Conservancy Council in Cardiff had confirmed that he would be available for the official opening of the Nant Dyfrgi Bridge at midday on Thursday, 29 June, 1989.

- RESOLVED: (i) That the Clerk and Chairman draw up a list of guests to whom invitations to the official opening of the bridge would be sent.
- (ii) That the Clerk arrange for a reporter and photographer from the local press to be present.
- (iii) That as the bridge's construction was completed during Councillor Mrs Pam Phillips' year of office, Councillor Phillips be nominated to officiate at the opening ceremony.

(d) Dumping of refuse - Llwynfen Road/Tirafon Court, Pontyclun

The Clerk reported that he had contacted the Llantrisant Community Council in attempt to identify the owner/owners of the land at the rear of Llwynfen Road at the junction with Tirafon Court. The Clerk had been advised that despite exhaustive searches the staff of the Llantrisant Community Council had failed to discover any documents which might reveal the ownership of the land in question.

- RESOLVED: That the Clerk write to Mrs Shirley Williams of 11 Millfield, Pontyclun, to find out if she had any information about the ownership of the land.

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(e) Wales Community Transport Training Day

The Chairman, Councillor V P James, reported verbally on his, and the Clerk's attendance at the Wales Community Transport Training Day at Builth Wells on 19 May, 1989. It was felt that the sessions were not presented as effectively as possible and the literature received in advance of attendance did not make it clear that the Wales Community Transport Training Day was only a small part of a much wider presentation on the voluntary sector. On balance it was felt that there was more of interest to members in gaining an appreciation of the roles of the various voluntary bodies rather than concentrating on community transport.

The report was noted.

3. Governing Body of Ysgol Gynradd Gymraeg, Llantrisant

The Council considered the proposal of the Llantrisant Community Council for sharing the joint nomination to the Governing Body of Ysgol Gynradd Gymraeg, Llantrisant.

RESOLVED: That the suggestion contained in the Llantrisant Community Council's letter of 22 May, 1989, be not approved. As an alternative, the Pontyclun Community Council propose that each community council have representation for two years, with Llantrisant Community Council taking the first two years and the Pontyclun Community Council taking the latter two years.

4. Proposal to instal footway lighting across the Windsor Field, Pontyclun

The Clerk reminded the Council that although provision had been made within the Council's current year's estimates for the installation of footway lighting across the Windsor Field, it was necessary to pass a formal resolution for the Council to proceed with the installation.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk arrange, in conjunction with the appropriate authorities, for the installation of footway lighting across the Windsor Field, Pontyclun.

5. Highway Authorities' Responsibilities

The Council discussed the letter of 11 June, 1989, from the Area Secretary of the Wales Association of Community and Town Councils about the duties of highways authorities to maintain adopted highways.

RESOLVED: That the prepared paragraph on highway authorities' responsibilities be included in the next edition of the Community Council's magazine "CLUN"

6. Footpaths(a) Footpath No 24 (Llanharan)

The Council noted the letter of 12 May, 1989, from the Clerk to the Llanharan Community Council in which

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he stated that the obstructed footpath had been reported to the County Council. Councillor Kennard reported that he understood that the obstruction on the footpath had already been removed.

(b) Footpath No 341 (Pontyclun)

The Council discussed the letter of 9 May, 1989, received from the Chief Executive and Clerk to the Taff Ely Borough Council. It was not clear from the letter what the practical and legal implications of "dedicating" a footpath were.

RESOLVED: That the matter be deferred pending clarification on the matter from the Borough Council.

7. Blasting at Hendy Quarry, Miskin

The Council noted the reply of the County Council's Engineer and Surveyor in which he said that the quarry management had no authority to carry out road closures in the vicinity of the Hendy Quarry, Miskin. Additionally, that if it became necessary to carry out further road closures, quarry management would do so in conjunction with the police.

RESOLVED: That copies of all the Community Council correspondence on blasting problems at Hendy Quarry, Miskin, be forwarded to Dr Kim Howells, MP, urging him to meet residents of Miskin on the matter.

8. Sewage problems, Castell-y-Mwrnws

The Council discussed the letter of the Borough Council's Chief Technical Services Officer dated 15 May, 1989, and was unhappy about the implied contradiction that pollution of the Nant Felin Fach by disinfectant was unacceptable yet pollution by raw sewage was acceptable. The Council believed that the solution to the problem lay in the upgrading of the sewer.

RESOLVED: That the Borough Council be requested to formulate plans for the upgrading of the sewer.

9. Application for financial assistance - Voluntary Support Group Committee

RESOLVED: That the application be deferred to the Council's annual grants allocation meeting and that the Clerk establish by that meeting whether the Voluntary Support Group Committee has any connection with the Social Services Department of the County Council based in Corthouse Street, Pontypridd.

10. Planning

(a) Weekly Notifications for Weeks 16+17, 18+19 and 20

The Council considered details of planning applications contained in Weekly Notifications Nos 16+17, 18+19 and 20.

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

Application No 0295/56/89

That the Pontyclun Community Council oppose the application on the grounds that the proposal:-

1. Is outside the Llantrisant Local Plan.
2. Is outside the Structure Plan.
3. Would involve difficult access.
4. Would lead to an increased volume of traffic using a dangerous exit on to the A4119.
5. Would lead to a loss of the open countryside separating Groesfaen from Creigiau.

Application No 0371/56/89

That the Pontyclun Community Council oppose the application on the grounds that the proposal:-

1. Would result in the loss of the clear boundary between the communities of Pontyclun and Llanharry
2. Involves land adjacent to the M4 motorway and would result in unacceptable noise levels for prospective residents.
3. Would lead to increased traffic congestion in Brynsadler.
4. Would result in a significant intrusion into the countryside.

Application No 0379/56/89

That the Pontyclun Community Council oppose the application on the grounds that:-

1. The development would be outside the Llantrisant Local Plan.
2. The site would be extremely difficult to access.
3. Additional pressures would be placed on a sewerage system operating to maximum capacity.

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Application No 0384/56/89

That the Pontyclun Community Council oppose the application on the grounds that the proposal:-

1. Would result in commercial development outside the accepted commercial area of the village.
2. Would lead to traffic congestaion on the main Talbot Green to Cowbridge road.
3. Would lead to unacceptable levels of noise for residents in adjacent houses.
4. Would lead to an increased risk of fire.

(b) Tylagarw Residents' Association

The Council considered a letter from the Tylagarw Residents' Association, dated 25 May, 1989, requesting the Council's support in opposing two applications for planning consent in Tylagarw. Councillor Norman reported that the applications had already been considered by the Borough Council, but that determinations had been deferred pending site visits. Councillor Norman volunteered that he would contact the Tylagarw Residents' Association.

11. Payment of Creditors

RESOLVED: That payment be approved to the creditors listed in Appendix 13 to the Agenda.

12. Reports from Members(a) Cattle crossing the A4119

Councillor Norman reported that Mr Jenkins, the farmer at Tynwydd Farm, Groesfaen, had made representations to the County Council about the dangers, both to road users and his cattle, arising out of the necessity to drive cattle across the busy A4119 twice daily.

RESLOVED: That a letter be sent to the County Council supporting the representations made by Mr Jenkins and asking that the matter be considered in conjunction with the traffic problems being experienced at the traffic lights near the Castell-y-Mynach Inn.

(b) Age Concern, Llantrisant

Councillor Mrs Pam Phillips reported that Age Concern, Llantrisant, were purchasing smoke detectors. Purchases and distributions were taking place on a limited basis

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as funds would allow.

The report was noted.

(c) Kidney Research Unit Foundation - Walk for Life

Councillor Mrs Pam Phillips reported that receipts from the sponsored walk held on Sunday, 5 March, 1989, had been finalised and the final figure of money received was £2,564.00. All monies raised had been forwarded to KRUF and been acknowledged.

The report was noted.

(d) Litter in the Community

Councillor Mrs Pam Phillips reported on the inordinate increase in the amount of litter on the streets of Pontyclun. Councillor Phillips pointed out that several of the litter bins were overflowing and appeared not to have been emptied for some time.

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

(e) Postal deliveries - Miskin Crescent/Manor Hill

Councillor Mrs Anita Burton reported that she had received a number of complaints from residents in Miskin Crescent and Manor Hill, Miskin, about misdirected mail. It appeared that confusion had arisen as a result of an absence of street nameplates.

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

(f) Community Charge Registration Forms

Councillor Dick Kennard reported that he had received a number of complaints from Welsh speaking residents in the Community about the absence of bilingual Community Charge Registration Forms.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk pursue the matter with the Borough Council's Community Charge Registration Officer.

13. Any other business of an urgent nature

(a) Grants Allocation 1989/90

The Clerk reported that the advertisement advising of the availability of grants would appear in the local press shortly. The closing date for the receipt of applications was 7 July, 1989, and a Special Meeting of the Council to decide the applications was scheduled

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to be held on 12 July, 1989.

The report was noted.

- (b) Smells emanating from the sewerage plant at The Hollies, Brynsadler

The Clerk reported that, acting upon a complaint from a member of the Council he had written to the Taff Ely Borough Council complaining about the offensive odours emanating from the sewerage plant on The Hollies estate, Brynsadler. The response of the Borough Council would be reported back to the Council in due course.

The report was noted.

- (c) Property at The Hollies, Brynsadler - Planning permission

The Clerk reported that, acting upon a query from a member of the Council, he had written to the Taff Ely Borough Council seeking clarification on whether No 1 The Hollies, Brynsadler, had planning permission for use as commercial premises. The response of the Borough Council would be reported back to the Council in due course.

The report was noted.

- (d) New residential development at Ynysddu Farm, Pontyclun

Councillor Dick Kennard referred to the new residential development at Ynysddu Farm, Pontyclun, which was outside the Community's boundary. He asked that the matter be placed on the agenda for the next Community Council meeting.

- (e) Spring bulbs in grass verges

Councillor Mrs Anita Burton drew the Council's attention to the opportunities available to plant spring flowering bulbs in grass verges within the Community. She asked that the matter be placed on the agenda of the next Community Council meeting.

14. The meeting ended at 9.45p.m.

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