

CYNGOR CYMUNED PONTYCLUN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Pontyclun Community Council held at the Pontyclun Community Centre, Pontyclun on Monday, 1 July, 1985.

Present: Community Councillors Dr I D Bowen, Mrs A Burton, Mr E J Francis, Mr V P James, Mr R C Kennard (Chairman), Mr F G Monckton, Mr R G Norman and Mrs O P Phillips. Also in attendance was P.C. Ian Gilford

Apologies: Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Community Councillors Miss A M Bath and Dr S M Bowen

1. Minutes

Resolved: that the minutes of the Meeting of 3 June, 1985, be approved as a correct record.

2. (a) Welsh Association of Community and Town Councils

Resolved: that the Council apply for membership of the Association.

(b) Operating Procedure

Resolved: that adoption of Standing Orders be deferred until the Council's September Meeting.

(c) Ivor Park, Brynsadler

(i) Footpath Number 341

Members noted that the developer had now made application for a diversion of footpath number 341. An advance copy of the proposed diversion was examined.

Resolved: That no further action be taken until the formal notification of an application for diversion is received from the Borough Council.

(ii) Management of Woods as Parkland

Members noted that a further meeting with Mr Peter Charlesworth of the Forestry Commission was planned for Wednesday, 14 August, 1985 at 7.00 pm at the Woods.

Resolved: that the Clerk contact Dr Ian Pritchard of Coed Cymru to acquaint him of the Council's plans for the woods.

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(iii) Re-siting of Stile

Members heard that the owner of the Soggy Field had agreed verbally to a re-siting of the Stile.

Resolved: that the Clerk obtain written confirmation of the permission.

(vi) Leaking Sewage

The Clerk reported on the reluctance of the Borough Council to take action against the Welsh Water Authority when improvement works at the pumping station were imminent.

Resolved: that the Clerk write to the Welsh Water Authority to ascertain when improvement works would commence.

(d) Community Noticeboards and Postboxes

Councillor James reported that he had obtained a quotation for the construction of noticeboards and postboxes. The quotation provided for free labour and only the cost of materials would be borne by the Council.

Resolved: that Councillor James be authorised to arrange for the construction of 6 noticeboards and 6 postboxes.

(e) Nominations to the Governing Bodies of Schools

The Chairman reported on the discussions which had taken place between representatives of Llantrisant, Llanharry and Pontyclun Community Councils in order to agree nominations to the governing bodies of Ysgol Gynradd Gymraeg, Llantrisant and Y Pant Comprehensive School, Pontyclun.

Resolved: (i) that as a significant number of Pontyclun children attend Ysgol Gynradd Gymraeg, Llantrisant, the Council would wish to make one nomination to the governing body of that School.

(ii) that the Council share the one nomination available for the 4 year period on Y Pant board of governors with Llantrisant and Llanharry Community Councils on the basis of 2 years' representation by Llantrisant and one year each by Pontyclun and Llanharry Community Councils; Llantrisant taking first and fourth years and Pontyclun and Llanharry taking the second and third years respectively.

(iii) that the Clerk convey the decision at:

(i) to the Llantrisant Community Council and the decision at:

(ii) to both the Llantrisant and Llanharry Community Councils.

(f) Obstruction of Footpaths in Groesfaen

The Clerk reported on the refusal of a landowner in Groesfaen to allow members of the public access to footpath number 296, a public right of way.

Resolved: that the Clerk report the matter to the Taff Ely Borough Council quoting the names of those members of the public to whom access had been refused.

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(g) Allocation of Grants

Resolved: that a special meeting of the Council be convened on 18 July, 1985 at 7.00 pm to decide upon grant allocation.

(h) Employment of Part-time Employee

Resolved: that the vacancy be re-advertised at a rate of £2.50 per hour in both the Jobcentre and the Llantrisant Observer. Applicants to be interviewed by the Council at its special meeting of 18 July, 1985.

(i) Litter in Llantrisant and Cowbridge Roads, Pontyclun

The Clerk informed the Council of the plans of the Borough Council to replace the "oil drum" type litter bins on receipt of planning consent. Members expressed concern about the unsightliness of the oil drums and the absence of lids.

- Resolved:
- (i) that the Clerk contact the Borough Council with a view to establishing whether, in place of the oil drums, the authority would consider the installation of permanent bins with swing lids. In the event of the Borough Council being unable to provide suitable bins, whether the Borough would have any objection to the provision of suitable bins by the Community Council.
  - (ii) that the Clerk make a request to the Borough Council for the reinstatement of the Saturday and Sunday overtime for the road sweeper.
  - (iii) that the matter of litter be raised at the next meeting of governors for the Maesyfelin Infants/Pontyclun Junior Schools.

3. (a) Waste Disposal Plan

Due consideration was given to the draft plan produced by the Borough Council for the 10 years up to 1994. Preliminary observations were that:-

- (i) safeguards would need to be instituted to ensure that residents of the Community were not subject to pollution.
- (ii) safeguards would also need to be taken to ensure that residents of the Community were not subject to nuisance as a result of increased use of roads by refuse vehicles.

Subsequent to consideration by the Council it was agreed that before formalising the Council's observations the matter be deferred pending discussion on the subject at the Joint Liaison Committee Meeting of 11 July, 1985.

(b) Urban Programme 1986/1987

Members noted the definitions contained in Welsh Office Circular 23/85 and considered that the Community area did not meet the criteria laid down in the Circular.

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4. Concurrent Functions - Arrangements with the Borough Council

The Chairman drew Members' attention to a meeting of the Joint Liaison Committee to be held on Thursday, 11 July 1985 in Pontypridd and that the subject of concurrent functions would be an agenda item.

- Resolved:
- (i) that the Council as a minimum, continue to exercise those functions exercised by the former Llantrisant Community Council.
  - (ii) that the Council request powers in the dedication of footpaths, entertainments and arts, and allotments.
  - (iii) that the Council request closer liaison with the Borough Council in the maintenance of playing fields.
  - (iv) that a letter be sent to the Borough Council expressing the views of the Community Council on the exercise of concurrent functions in advance of the meeting of 11 July, 1985.

5. Nominations to the Working Party on the Straying of Animals

Resolved: that Councillor R G Norman, together with the Clerk be nominated to attend.

6. Society of Local Council Clerks

Resolved: that the Council exercise its powers to pay an annual subscription to the Society of Local Council Clerks on behalf of the Clerk.

7. Application for the Re-siting of the Public Seat Opposite Number 8, Hensol Road, Miskin

Resolved: that the matter be deferred pending investigations by Councillor Miss A M Bath.

Application for Order to Sell Intoxicating Liquor off Premises

Resolved: that the application be noted and that the Council express no opposing view.

9. Planning Application Notifications

Members considered planning application notifications number 24 and number 25.

- Resolved:
- (a) that the Clerk contact the Borough Council about application number 56/0695/85 to establish whether:-
    - (i) existing road access was adequate.
    - (ii) what environmental impact would ensue.

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(b) that the Clerk contact the Borough Council about application number 56/0776/85 to establish:-

- (i) from where would the water be extracted,
- (ii) for what purpose would it be used,
- (iii) to where would it be drained after use,
- (iv) what was the storage tank to contain,

10. Payment of Orders

Resolved: that payment be made to the creditors in Appendix 9.

11. Dates of Future Meetings

Resolved: (i) that with the exception of those meetings already arranged for 18 July and 14 August, there be no further meetings of the Council until 2 September, 1985.

(ii) that the Clerk, at the meeting of 2 September, propose the dates of future Council meetings for the duration of the 1985/1986 year.

12. Any Other Business

(a) Public Footpath and Grass Verge in Brynsadler

Concern was expressed about the effect building work, taking place at the house on the junction of Llanharry Road, Brynsadler, was having on the adjacent public footpath and grass verge. It appeared that the footpath was almost permanently blocked, thus forcing pedestrians into the road and the grass verge had been severely cut up.

Resolved: that the Clerk contact the Mid Glamorgan County Council drawing attention to the footpath obstructions and the damage caused to the grass verge.

(b) Rights of Way Near Ceulan Farm

It was brought to the Council's attention that a pony belonging to the owner of Ceulan Farm had recently been shot. It was suggested that the incident may have been connected with the fact that the public had access to the land through public rights of way.

Resolved: that the Clerk report the matter to the local police and ask for their observations.

(c) Public Footpath Leading from Mwyndy Garage to the Department of Environment Testing Centre

It was drawn to the Council's attention that a barbed wire fence had been erected close to the stile at the Mwyndy Garage end of the footpath.

Resolved: that the Clerk write to the owners of the land asking that the barbed wire be replaced in order that the potential danger to the public be eliminated.

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(d) Wayside Seat in Station Street, Pontyclun

Concern was expressed that the wayside seat situated near Station Street had been thrown down the adjacent railway embankment.

Resolved: that quotations be invited from "Welmech" of Coed Cae Lane and Mr Norman Pipkin for the permanent fixing of the seat.

(e) Pavements at Brynamlwg, Pontyclun

Members again spoke of the poor condition of pavements in Brynamlwg. It appeared that County Council workmen had replaced some of the paving stones but that the pavement was particularly poor from numbers 14 to 26 and also that length of pavement leading to Heol-y-Coed.

Resolved: that the Clerk contact the County Council again specifying those lengths of pavement causing concern.

(f) Operating Procedure for Members

Resolved: in normal circumstances a member raising a matter affecting the Council be required to do so at the next meeting of the Council. In the event of a matter of an urgent nature arising, the Executive be empowered where necessary, to hold a site meeting. The Executive to comprise the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Councillor raising the matter together with the Clerk.

13. The Meeting ended at 9.45 pm.

*Re. Kennard.*