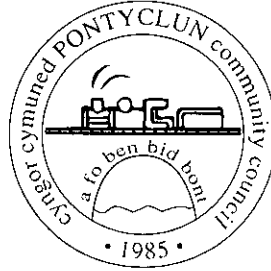


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Minutes of the meeting of the Pontyclun Community Council held in the Pontyclun Community Centre, Pontyclun, at 7.00 p.m. on Wednesday, 1 April, 1998

PRESENT: Community Councillors C G Bendle, T J Burton, Mrs V A Cale, J G Davies, R O Edwards, T Flood, Mrs M Griffiths, R G Norman and M Rea (Chairperson)

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: P C Kettle and two members of the public.

1. **Apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Community Councillor R O Edwards

2. **Chairperson's business**

(a) **Wales Association of Community and Town Councils**

The Chairperson reported that he, together with the Clerk, attended a morning seminar organised by the Association on the morning of Saturday, 28 March, 1998, to discuss the new Account and Audit Regulations. The seminar was well attended and the Chairperson gained a deeper insight to some of the complications in implementing the new regulations. It was clear that District Audit staff present held the view that the new regulations were inappropriately targeted and that the associations representing local councils should bring pressure for amendments. This issue would be taken up again by the Wales Association.

The Chairperson advised the Council that it had become apparent at the seminar that local councils, under the Litter Act,

1983, could provide receptacles for the removal of litter. In the interpretation of one community council this had led to the council providing its own skip placement service. The service provided had not been questioned by the District Auditor.

The report was noted.

(b) **Groesfaen Speed Reduction Scheme**

The Chairperson, Councillor Rea, advised Members that he had contacted the Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council about the proposed speed reduction scheme in Groesfaen to establish when work would begin on the agreed scheme. He was informed that a timetable had yet to be drawn up.

The report was noted.

(c) **Application for planning consent**

The Chairperson referred to the recent application for a change of use for premises in Mwyndy to allow the sale of fishing equipment.

The planning authority had refused the application and the refusal had been reported in the press. Reference was made in the press article that the Pontyclun Community Council had submitted comments to the planning authority opposing the application.

The report was noted.

3. **Police matters**

(a) **Burglaries in Pontyclun**

P C Keddle referred to recent burglaries in Palalwyf Avenue and Lon yr Awel, Pontyclun was pleased to be able to report the apprehension of those suspected of committing the crimes.

The report was noted.

(b) **Thefts from vehicles**

P C Keddle advised the Council that there had been a number of incidents of early morning thefts from vehicles in the area. The thefts appeared to coincide with police officers changing

shift. Action had been taken to alter shift patterns to combat the thefts. It was believed that those responsible for the crimes were operating in teams and came from outside the area.

The report was noted.

(c) **Speeding lorries in Pontyclun**

P C Keddle referred to the report made by WPC Hughes at the Council's last meeting and stated that the police radar team had been in action recently on the approach to Pontyclun. Sixteen lorries had been reported for speeding.

The report was noted.

(d) **Parking in Palalwyf Avenue, Pontyclun**

P C Keddle advised that the parking problems which existed in Palalwyf Avenue, Pontyclun, were almost exclusively caused by parents dropping off and collecting their children from Pontyclun Primary School. The problems occurred at school opening and closing times.

Parents were encouraged to use the empty car park at the Pontyclun Institute and Athletic Club but some parents insisted on parking their vehicles as close as possible to the school. The police would monitor the situation, as resources allowed, and take action against drivers found to be parking illegally in Palalwyf Avenue.

The report was noted.

(e) **Parking problems in Llantrisant Road, Pontyclun**

P C Keddle referred to the minutes of the Council's last meeting in which he noted that the Council had raised the possibility of banning all parking in Llantrisant Road, Pontyclun.

P C Keddle conceded that a problem existed, especially with traffic attempting to gain access to Llantrisant Road from side streets, but wished to point out that the effect of banning parking in the road would be to increase, considerably, the speed of traffic.

The matter was noted.

(f) **Application for an off licence, The Hendy Stores**

P C Keddle referred to the minutes of the Council's last meeting in which he noted that the Council had decided to oppose the application for the grant of an off licence for The Hendy Stores, Pontyclun.

P C Keddle stated that the police were supportive of the stand taken by the Community Council.

The matter was noted.

(g) **Parking in Station Terrace, Pontyclun**

P C Keddle referred to correspondence on the agenda from the Highway Authority about parking problems in Station Terrace, Pontyclun. He told the Council that he had advised Williams Ross, Chartered Accountants, that any enquiries about preferential parking facilities for their staff should be directed to the Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council.

The Clerk commented that the Community Council had also offered similar advice to Williams Ross and had declined their invitation to support their case. The copy letter on the Community Council's agenda indicated that the Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council was unable to accede to Williams Ross' request.

(h) **Proposals for Llwynfen Road, Pontyclun**

P C Keddle commented that he had seen the proposals for Llwynfen Road, Pontyclun. He wished to let the Council know that a similar scheme had been tried in a street in Beddau but had not proved successful. The street had subsequently been restored to its former condition.

The report was noted.

(i) **The Brunel Arms, Pontyclun**

Councillor Bendle asked P C Keddle whether he could confirm that immediately following the refusal of the licensing Justices to grant a late night entertainment

licence for the Brunel Arms, there had been a marked reduction in the amount of late night nuisance caused in the vicinity of the Brunel Arms. P C Keddle confirmed that there had been a noticeable improvement.

Councillor Bendle stated that given the Justices had seen fit to refuse a late night entertainment licence it was ironic, and unfair to the public of Pontyclun and the police, that the applicant should be allowed to provide late night entertainment pending an appeal against the Justices' decision. The long term appeared equally unsatisfactory with the prospect of further applications and possible appeals.

The reports were noted.

(j) **Roadworks, Clun Avenue, Pontyclun**

Councillor Norman drew attention to the major disruption to traffic which had occurred in Pontyclun during the last two days as a result of the roadworks in Clun Avenue, Pontyclun.

It appeared that neither the police, the local Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council Member, Councillor Huish, or any public body had been given notice of the works. Massive disruption had taken place as a result of traffic being diverted via Heol Miskin and children and old folk had been put at risk as a result of the Highway Authority's thoughtlessness.

RESOLVED: That the Council convey its deep concern at the failure of the Highway Authority to consult to the Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council and the District Auditor.

(k) **Rhondda Cynon Taff Police Consultative Committee**

Councillor Burton advised that the next meeting of the Rhondda Cynon Taff Police Consultative Committee was scheduled to be held on 16 April, 1998. It was likely that the meeting would be held in the St Paul's Church Hall, Pontyclun and confirmation of the venue would be received shortly.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk remind Members of the meeting nearer the 16 April, 1998.

(l) **Corner Park Garage, Mwyndy**

The Chairperson, Councillor Rea, drew P C Kedde's attention to the cars which were regularly found to be obstructing the pavement in the vicinity of the Corner Park Garage, Mwyndy.

Councillor Rea also expressed his concern at the storage of a skip at the premises. The skip was positioned in such a way that it blocked the pavement.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk bring the obstruction caused by the skip to the attention of the Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council.

4. **Minutes of the Council's meeting of 4 March, 1998**

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Community Council's meeting of 4 March, 1998, be approved as an accurate record.

5. **Matters arising**

(a) **Pontyclun Rugby and Sports Club**

(Councillors Flood, Griffiths and Huish declared an interest in this item and took no part in the Council's deliberations)

The Council considered a letter from the Pontyclun Rugby and Sports Club in which an invitation was extended to all Members of the Council to attend a presentation at the Club on the evening of 9 April, 1998, on the achievements of the Club over the last 12 months and the Club's objectives for the next 5 years.

RESOLVED: That the invitation be take up after the Community Council's Annual meeting on 6 May, 1998.

(b) **Footpath No. 314**

The Clerk reported that a further site meeting had taken place on the afternoon of 26 March, 1998, to view the steps taken by the developer of the site to make the public footpath useable.

It was noted that since the previous site meeting there had been a considerable improvement and that the original line of the public way had been reinstated. In addition, and in accordance with the Community Council's earlier request, a quantity of scalplings had been along that part of the footpath which had previously been disturbed by earthmoving equipment.

It was pointed out to Members attending the site meeting that, as a gesture of goodwill, the developers had repaired a stile at the northern end of the Footpath.

RESOLVED: That the Council lift its objections to the proposals for the diversion of the Footpath provided that the Highways Authority continued to monitor conditions to ensure full and uninterrupted access to members of the public.

(c) **Talgarn Forum**

Councillor Griffiths updated the Council on the latest position in the fight of the Talgarn Forum to retain rehabilitation facilities at the Talgarn Rehabilitation Centre.

Due a technicality it would be necessary for the Bro Taf Health Authority to re-open consultations on the future of the Talgarn Rehabilitation Centre. It was expected that a consultation document would be published during May.

Councillor Griffiths advised that a delegation from the Forum comprising Councillor Norman, Mr Derek Kingham and Councillor Griffiths attended a meeting with Win Griffiths, MP, Minister of State at the Welsh Office, on 17 March, 1998. The delegation was accompanied by the M P for Pontypridd, Dr Kim Howells. The delegation made a forceful presentation to Win Griffiths for the retention of facilities at Talgarn and argued strongly that the quality of treatment currently available at Talgarn could not be replicated at the new hospital being built at Ynysyplwm.

Dr Kim Howells drew the Minister's attention to the fact that Talygarn was currently providing a regional rehabilitation service and it was unfair that one health trust should bear the financial burden.

The Minister thanked the delegation for its presentation but reminded the group that the Welsh Office might become involved in the matter in an appellate capacity at a later date. In the circumstances his role, at this time, was confined to a listening brief.

Members of the delegation were optimistic of success in the Forum's campaign but recognised the importance of rallying public opinion to support their cause.

The report was noted.

(d) **Proposed footpaths leaflet**

The Clerk advised the Council that an informal meeting of Members to discuss proposals for a leaflet on local footpaths would be held in the Pontyclun Community Centre, Pontyclun, at 7.00 p.m. on 6 April, 1998.

The matter was noted.

(e) **Hard surface play area**

The Clerk reported that since the last meeting of the Community Council Councillor Norman had provided him with copies of the Vale of Glamorgan Borough Council's application for funding to Sportlott for the creation of hard surface play areas at five sites in the Vale of Glamorgan. The five sites were all in the ownership of the Vale of Glamorgan Borough Council.

A lengthy discussion followed on the merits of the sites for hard surface play areas which had been identified by the Council at an earlier meeting. The Council accepted that there were difficulties associated with each site, particularly as none of them were in the ownership of the Community Council.

RESOLVED: That further discussion on the sites be deferred to the informal meeting scheduled for Monday, 6 April, 1998.

(f) **Proposed speed reduction scheme in Groesfaen**

The Council received a drawing from the consultants acting for the Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council illustrating the extensions to the 30 mph speed limits on the approaches to Groesfaen. The extensions would encompass the outskirts of the village as part of a proposed traffic calming scheme.

The consultants' letter constituted consultation under the Road Traffic Regulation Act and any comments on the proposals needed to be made within 21 days.

RESOLVED: That as the Community Council had already submitted its comments on the proposed scheme, no further comments be made.

(g) **Parking in the vicinity of Pontyclun Primary School**

The Clerk advised the Council that following an earlier discussion about the inconsiderate parking by some parents in the vicinity of Pontyclun Primary School he had written to the Clerk to the Governing Body of Pontyclun Primary School and the Highway Authority. A reply on the matter had already been received from the Clerk to the Governing Body and the letter at Appendix 5 to the Agenda was a response from the Highway Authority.

RESOLVED: That the Council note that the Director of Highways, Transportation and Engineering intended to look at the matter jointly with the police to see what measures could be taken to improve the situation.

(h) **Millenium celebrations**

The Council discussed the possibility of staging celebrations within the Community to mark the new Millenium. The Council also received a summary of the celebrations which were planned by other local councils in the United Kingdom.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk make arrangements to convene a public meeting in the Pontyclun Community Centre and issue invitations to attend to a wide variety of local organisations.

(i) **Application for off licence, Hendy Stores**

The Council received a letter from the Clerk to the Justices in Pontypridd who referred to the Community Council's earlier letter of opposition to the grant of an off licence at the Hendy Stores in Brynamlwg, Pontyclun. The Clerk to the Justices stated that if the Council wished to object to the application it would be necessary for a representative of the Council to attend the application hearing and to outline objections from the witness box.

RESOLVED: That the Council nominate Councillor Burton to attend the hearing and to present the Council's objections to the application.

6. **Proposal to make Llwynfen Road, Pontyclun, a no through road to traffic**

The Council discussed in detail the implications in the proposal put forward by Mr Wool, a resident of Llwynfen Road, Pontyclun, to prohibit through traffic in Llwynfen Road, Pontyclun.

Members saw the advantages in the scheme but recognised that some residents in the vicinity might have opposing views. The Council wished to be satisfied that before making any recommendations to the Highway Authority the proposals commanded wide support from local residents.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk write to Mr Wool asking him to canvass the views of all residents who would be affected by the proposals.

7. **Public conveniences, Llantrisant Road, Pontyclun**

(a) **Service provided by the Community Council**

A wide ranging discussion took place on the future of the Community Council's public conveniences located in Llantrisant Road, Pontyclun.

Some Members supported a proposal to replace the existing building with a "superloo" arguing that a superloo would be a safer proposition for children and would be more aesthetically pleasing in the centre of the village. Other Members, quoting the experience of local authorities who had installed superloos, pointed out that there was strong resistance to their use by members of the public and in some cases had been removed. It was understood that organisations representing the elderly were

opposed to superloos. Other views were that adaptations could be made to the existing building, and its surroundings, to make the premises more presentable.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk arrange for a costing exercise to be carried out to compare the costs of providing a superloo with the costs of running the existing public conveniences.

(b) **Proposal of the Pontyclun Rugby and Sportsclub**

The Council gave consideration to the proposal made at its previous meeting by the Pontyclun Rugby and Sportsclub.

RESOLVED: That no decision be made on the proposal until a decision had been taken under (a) above.

8. **Proposal to place planters outside
No.s 32 and 34 Cowbridge Road, Pontyclun**

The Council was pleased to receive the views of the occupiers of No.s 32 and 34 Cowbridge Road, Pontyclun, in which they indicated their qualified support for the placement of planters on the pavement outside their premises.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk contact the Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council to establish whether there would be any objection from the Highway Authority to the siting of planters on the pavement outside No.s 32 and 34 Cowbridge Road, Pontyclun.

9. **Responses from the Highway Authority**

(a) **Request for parking facilities, Station Terrace, Pontyclun**

The Council received a copy of a letter from the Director of Highways, Transportation and Engineering to Messrs Williams Ross, accountants, of Midland Chambers, Pontyclun. The firm of accountants had sought preferential treatment for staff parking outside their premises. The Highway Authority had refused the request.

RESOLVED: That the letter be noted.

(b) **Pontyclun Park and Ride - Westbound**

The Council was pleased to hear that the Highway Authority

had been successful in securing Welsh Office grant approval to implement the Pontyclun Park and Ride - Westbound development during 1998/99. It was anticipated that work on site would commence in October, 1998, and completed in January, 1999.

RESOLVED: That the letter be noted and that a copy for information be sent to Mr L H Bailey of 4 Station Terrace, Pontyclun.

(c) **Unsafe masonry wall in Groesfaen**

The Council received the letter of 23 March, 1998 from the Director of Highways, Transportation and Engineering who confirmed that a wall in Groesfaen in need of maintenance was the responsibility of the Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council. The Director stated that repair work to the wall was included in a draft programme for 1998/99.

RESOLVED: That the letter be noted.

10. **Vesting of the Ivor Woods**

The Council received a letter and enclosure from its solicitors in which the Council was advised that its application for first registration at the Land Registry of the Ivor Woods, Brynsadler, Pontyclun, was being processed.

RESOLVED: That the position be noted.

11. **Landfill site at Groesfaen**

The Council received a letter from the Environment Agency in response to the Community Council's earlier concerns about the height of tipping material at the landfill site in Groesfaen.

The Agency advised that no landfilling was being carried out at the site at that time. It was likely that the tipping material which had given rise to concerns was, in fact, stockpiled soil intended for recycling and blending at the site. It was stated that the amount of stockpiled soil would reduce when required for recycling.

RESOLVED: That the matter be noted.

12. **Derelict garages, rear of Llantrisant Road, Pontyclun**

The Council received the letter of 10 March, 1998 from the Director of

Environmental Services who informed the Council that action was being taken by the Environmental Services Department to ensure that the garages were either repaired or demolished. The course of action would be at the discretion of the owners who would be contacted in the near future.

RESOLVED: That the matter be noted.

13. **Vacant offices, School Street, Pontyclun**

The Council received the letter of 20 March, 1998, from the Director of Property Services but were disappointed that the Director had not stated whether the Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council would undertake the bricking-up of the ground floor access points to the building to prevent the removal of boards by vandals.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk pursue the matter again with the Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council.

14. **Rhondda Cynon Taff Divisional Police/ Community Consultative Group**

The Council received information from the Clerk to the South Wales Police Authority about the cycle of meetings of the Rhondda Cynon Taff Divisional Police/ Community Consultative Group for 1998/99. During the period two meetings were due to be held in Rhondda, the Cynon Valley and Taff Ely.

The Clerk to the police authority stated that during 1998/999 the police would be notifying each household in the immediate post code area of the arrangements for a meeting in addition to notifying those organisations which had been notified in previous years.

Councillor Burton advised the Council that he had been contacted to advise that the Group's next meeting would be held in St Paul's Church Hall, Pontyclun, at 7.30 p.m. on Thursday, 16 April, 1998. Councillor Burton agreed to pass posters advertising the meeting to the Clerk.

RESOLVED: That the information be noted.

15. **Invitations to renew membership**

(a) **Campaign for the Protection of Rural Wales**

RESOLVED: That the Council re-new its membership.

(b) **The Ramblers' Association**

RESOLVED: That the Council re-new its membership.

16. **Planning**

(a) **Planning applications contained in Weekly Notifications for Weeks Ending 6, 13, 20 and 27 March, 1998**

RESOLVED: That the following comments be made to the Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council:

Application No. T/98/2011/01

The Council is opposed to the application since it believes that the proposed hoarding will prove a distraction to motorists and will be an unsightly feature at one of the main entrances to the Borough.

Application No. T/98/2076/09

The Council is not opposed to the application but would strongly urge the Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council to impose detailed conditions governing weekend working at the site, in the interests of local residents. In particular the Community Council would suggest that no work be allowed to start before 9.00 a.m. and that all work end by 4.00 p.m.

Note: That in respect of planning applications No.s T/98/2144/12 and T/98/2145/10 a site meeting be arranged. In respect of planning application No. T/98/2132/10 the Clerk establish the location of the site for which consent was being sought.

(b) **Proposal for the former school in School Road, Miskin**

Councillor Burton advised the Council that he had received a number of telephone calls from residents in Miskin who were worried by a legal notice which had appeared in a recent edition of the Western Mail about proposed development at the former school in School Road, Miskin.

The Clerk advised the Council that any plans for development at the old school had not appeared in the Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council's Weekly List of planning applications.

RESOLVED: That in the event of a planning application appearing in the Weekly Lists before the next Community Council meeting the Clerk consult the Chairperson, and the two local members for the Miskin Ward, to formulate the Council's comments on the application.

(c) **Advertising hoarding in Pontyclun**

The Council discussed the reply of the Director of Planning about the large advertising hoarding on Railtrack land adjacent to the public conveniences in Llantrisant Road, Pontyclun.

It was noted that the Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council was of the view that the hoarding had been erected without express consent. As a result, the Planning Authority had written to Railtrack requesting the removal of the hoarding.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk advise the Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council that as a result of recent high winds the hoarding had become unsafe and needed to be removed as a matter of urgency on safety grounds.

17. **Payment of creditors**

RESOLVED: That payment be approved to the creditors listed in Appendix 25 to the Council's agenda.

18. **Reports from Members**

(a) **Public Entertainment Licence -
The Brunel Arms, Pontyclun**

Councillor Bendle gave a report on his attendance at an appeal hearing in court when he opposed the grant of an Entertainment Licence to the proprietor of the Brunel Arms on behalf of the Community Council. Opposition to the grant of a Public Entertainment Licence also came from the Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council and the police.

The original decision of the magistrates to refuse a Public Entertainment Licence was upheld. For the following two weeks late night entertainment at the Brunel Arms ceased. On the third week late night entertainment commenced again as the

proprietor of the premises had submitted a further appeal. It appeared that for as long as a further appeal was pending, the law allowed the proprietor to continue with late night entertainment.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk write to the Clerk to the Justices to point out the weakness in the law which allowed the nuisance caused by late night entertainment to continue, despite the opposition of residents, the Community Council, the Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council, the police and the courts for as long as the applicant appealed and requested the courts to defer the appeal hearings.

(b) **Council Tax**

Councillor Bendle drew the Council's attention to the despatch by the Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council of Council Tax cards one week followed by the despatch, a week later by the Council Tax demands.

At the time when the Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council stated that it was grossly underfunded and needed to cutback on services to the public, it was bizarre that a department of the authority incurred double postage costs to hundreds of properties when a single mailing would have been sufficient.

RESOLVED: That a letter of protest be sent to the Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council.

(c) **Age Concern**

Councillor Norman advised the Council that Age Concern had received a donation of 100 low energy light bulbs.

Given the number of members of members it was difficult to distribute the bulbs in an equitable way. It was decided that 25 light bulbs be given to each of the four sheltered accommodation units in the area.

The report was noted.

(d) **Proposed Community Playscheme**

Councillor Norman referred to the very successful playschemes which had been run for children in the Community during the summer holidays in recent years. In 1997 over 1,000 children had attended the playscheme.

Although funding for a 1998 playscheme was likely to be difficult Councillor Norman asked the Council to take into account the good work carried out and to look sympathetically upon an application for funding when it was received. He urged the Council to consider making a grant in the region of £500.00 towards the proposed 1998 playscheme.

RESOLVED: That the Council look sympathetically to make a grant of £500 when an application for funding was received.

(e) **Community development worker**

Councillor Griffiths reported that the Pontypridd and District Housing Association together with the Rhondda Housing Association were considering the appointment of a part time community development worker to work with their tenants in Pontyclun.

Councillor Griffiths reminded the Council of its concerns for the lack of provision for the youth in the Community and raised the possibility of cooperating with the two housing associations and making the proposed part time community development worker into a full time community/youth development worker.

RESOLVED: That the matter be placed on the agenda for the next Community Council meeting.

(f) **Advertising hoarding**

Councillor Cale drew the Council's attention to an advertising hoarding at the side of the Pontyclun Post Office which had fallen down.

RESOLVED: That the matter be reported to the Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council.

(g) **Heavy lorries in Pontyclun**

Councillor Cale again complained about the number of heavy vehicles which were needlessly entering Pontyclun every day due to the inadequacy of the signposting from the M4 motorway.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk contact the Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council to establish the current position with the scheme for improved signing which had been promised by the Highway Authority for some considerable time.

(h) **Housing grants**

Councillor Davies pointed out that the Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council, as a result of its failure to organise its improvement grant service in an effective way, had been unable to take advantage of all the grant monies on offer for the improvement of the housing stock within the County Borough.

RESOLVED: That a letter expressing the Council's deep concern at the matter be sent to the Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council.

(i) **Proposed diversion of Footpath No. 323**

Councillor Norman referred to the application made by the Community Council, in agreement with the local landowners, for the diversion of Footpath No. 323. He asked whether the Clerk had any news about the proposed diversion.

The Clerk responded that an application for the diversion of Footpath 323, together with an associated diversion of Footpath No. 333, had been requested of the Highway Authority many months earlier. He had reminded the Highway Authority periodically about the outstanding diversions but was unclear on how matters currently stood.

RESOLVED: That the Highway Authority be asked for a progress report on the outstanding diversion requests.

appealing against the refusal of the Planning Authority to grant him permission to remove a hedgerow in Groesfaen.

The appeal is to be dealt with by way of an informal hearing which is scheduled to be held by an Inspector appointed by the Welsh Office at the offices of the Llantrisant Community Council, George Street, Llantrisant, at 10.00 a.m. on 9 June, 1998.

RESOLVED: That the information be noted and that a copy of the appeal letter be provided for the Chairperson.

(e) **St David's Hall, Cardiff**

The Clerk distributed copies of the programme of events at the St David's Hall, Cardiff during the months of April and May, 1998.

RESOLVED: That the information be noted.

20. The meeting ended at 9.50 p.m.

