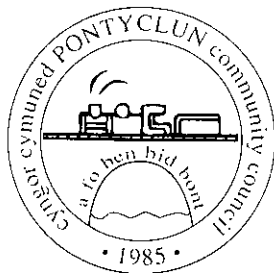


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Minutes of the meeting of the Pontyclun Community Council held in the Pontyclun Community Centre, Pontyclun, at 7.00 p.m. on Wednesday, 8 July, 1998

PRESENT: Community Councillors C G Bendle, Mrs A Cale, J G Davies, R O Edwards, R G Norman and M Rea

1. **Apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Community Councillors Mrs M Griffiths, J V Huish (Chairperson) and T R J Flood (Vice Chairperson)

2. **Chairperson**

In the absence of the Chairperson, Councillor Huish, and the Vice Chairperson, Councillor Flood, Members elected Councillor Norman to the Chair.

3. **Chairperson's business**

There were no items of Chairperson's business

4. **Exclusion of the press and public**

RESOLVED: That the press and public be excluded from the meeting under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, for the next item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information namely, applicants for a service provided by the Council.

5. **Allocation of financial grants for the 1998/99 financial year**

RESOLVED: That the Council award the following grants subject to the total of all grants not exceeding £4,500.00:

	Organisation	Award	
		£	p
	The Vision Foundation	50	00
	Shelter Cymru	50	00
	Pontyclun and District Allotments Association (Maesyfelin Site)	100	00
	The Samaritans	100	00
	G T Clark Centenary Commemoration Committee	50	00
	Pontyclun Senior Citizens	250	00
	Pontyclun Wildlife Trust	50	00
*	Llantrisant & Town Wards Age Concern	100	00
	Hope Presbyterian Church	100	00
	Pontyclun Mothers' Union	50	00
	Pontyclun Women's Institute	50	00
*	Pontyclun Community Wheels	150	00
	St David's Church, Miskin	100	00
	Cantorion Pontyclun	100	00
	Urdd Gobaith Cymru	50	00
	Miskin Manor Cricket Club (Seniors)	100	00
	Miskin Manor Cricket Club (Juniors)	100	00
	Babell Chapel, Groesfaen	200	00
	Miskin & Mwyndy W. I.	50	00
	St Paul's Church Nursery	50	00
	After 50 Afternoon Club (Young at Heart Monday Club)	75	00
	Pontyclun Football Club	100	00
\$	Pontypridd and District Age Concern	75	00
	The Welsh Dysphasia Trust	No award	
	St Paul's Church, Pontyclun	100	00
	Pontyclun Ladies' Bowls Club	No award	
	Young at Heart Club (Thursday)	50	00
&	Ysgol Gymraeg Llantrisant	100	00
	Pontyclun Junior Football Club	100	00
	St Anne's Church, Pontyclun	100	00
*	Talygarn Forum	350	00
	Taff Ely Drug Support	200	00

Miskin Residents' Association	No award
Children of Chernobyl Appeal	No award
1st Pontyclun Girls' Brigade	50 00
Childline Cymru	50 00
T N T Youth Group	50 00

- * Councillor Norman declared an interest in this application and took no part in the Council's deliberations
- \$ Councillors Edwards and Davies declared an interest in this application and took no part in the Council's deliberations
- & Councillor Rea declared an interest in this application and took no part in the Council's deliberations

6. **Reports from Members**

(a) **Brunel Arms, Pontyclun**

Councillor Bendle referred to the appeal made to the Crown Court by the landlord of the Brunel Arms, Pontyclun, against the refusal of the licensing justices to grant him a renewal of a late night entertainment license. Councillor Bendle understood that the appeal had been withdrawn.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

(b) **Blockage of footpath near Caergwanaf Farm, Miskin**

Councillor Edwards reported that, periodically, a footpath near Caergwanaf Farm, Miskin, was blocked by a farmer leaving open a gate.

The Clerk advised that this was a matter which had been taken up with the Footpaths Officer of the Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council who had carried out an inspection and had reported back to the effect that on the day of the inspection he could find no obstruction.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk take the matter up again with the Footpaths Officer.

(c) **CCTV in the Community**

Councillor Rea reported that he had made contact with the police about the possible installation of a CCTV system in Pontyclun. The police were keen to share their experience and technical knowledge of CCTV and were prepared to attend a meeting of the Community Council to offer advice.

RESOLVED: That an invitation to attend a Community Council meeting to discuss CCTV be extended to the police when the Council had a clearer idea of its requirements.

(d) **CCTV demonstration**

Councillor Norman reported that in accordance with the advice previously offered he had reported punctually to the car park adjacent to the Pontyclun Community Centre and was disappointed to find that the demonstration van had not arrived. He understood that the demonstration van had arrived later but due to other commitments he had to leave.

Councillor Norman stated that from his earlier experience of CCTV, a critical aspect in the operation of a successful CCTV system is the monitoring facility. He suggested that when the Community Council is in a better position to assess its needs it would be advantageous to arrange a visit to the Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council's CCTV control centre in Pontypridd.

Councillor Norman cautioned the Council against accepting any form of hospitality in connection with the possible sale to the Council of CCTV equipment.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

(e) **Highway illumination, Heol Miskin**

Councillor Davies reminded the Council that Heol Miskin was suffering from considerably reduced levels of illumination due to the growth of trees along the road.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk take up the matter with the Highway Authority.



(f) **Damaged gate off Heol Miskin, Pontyclun**

Councillor Norman reported a broken hinge on the gate on the footpath leading from Heol Miskin to Heol y Coed.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk arrange for the Council's Handyman to carry out repairs.

7. **Any other business of an urgent nature**

The Clerk distributed copies of the Weekly Planning Notification for Week Ending 29 June, 1998.

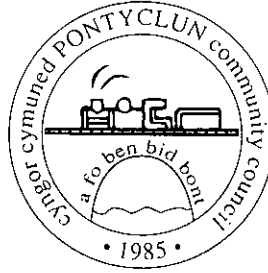
RESOLVED: That the planning applications contained in the Weekly Notification be noted.

8. The meeting ended at 8.30 p.m.



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Minutes of the special meeting of the Pontyclun Community Council held in the Pontyclun Community Centre, Pontyclun, at 7.00 p.m. on Wednesday, 19 August, 1998.

PRESENT: Community Councillors C G Bendle, J G Davies, R O Edwards, J V Huish,(Chairperson), R G Norman and M Rea

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Two members of the public

1. **Apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Community Councillors Mrs V A Cale, Mrs M M Griffiths and T R J Flood

2. **Radon gas**

The Council discussed the letter dated 7 July, 1998, and enclosure, received from the Director of Environmental Services of the Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council about the results of the National Radon Survey conducted on behalf of the Welsh Office.

The results of the Survey had shown that there were three areas in Rhondda Cynon Taff which were radon affected. A substantial part of the Community of Pontyclun had been identified together with parts of the Communities of Llantrisant, Llanharan and Llanharry. It was understood that parts of the Communities of Pentyrch and Taffs Well had also been identified.

The Council was concerned about the results of the survey but was anxious not to cause any undue alarm among residents.

RESOLVED: (i) That the Clerk obtain the full results of the survey from the Welsh Office.

- (ii) That the Clerk make enquiries of the Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council to establish whether that authority intends making a press release on the matter and, if so, the content of that press release.
- (iii) That the Clerk establish whether the Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council intends offering any advice to residents whose homes may be affected by radon gas.
- (iv) That the Clerk convene a meeting of representatives of the 6 community councils understood to be affected by the presence of radon gas to decide on a strategy for dealing with the matter.

3. **Any other business of an urgent nature**

(a) **Pontypridd Citizens' Advice Bureau**

The Clerk advised of an invitation to attend the annual general meeting of the Pontypridd Citizens' Advice Bureau at 7.00 p.m. on Wednesday, 26 August, 1998.

RESOLVED: That the Chairperson, Councillor Huish, be nominated to attend the meeting.

(b) **Annual Conference of the Wales Association of Community and Town Councils**

The Clerk advised that an invitation to submit a motion for debate to the Annual Conference had been received. If the Council wished to submit a motion it needed to be submitted by the following day, that is 20 August, 1998. An invitation had also been received to nominate delegates to attend the Conference.

RESOLVED: (i) That the Clerk be requested to draft a motion for debate around the need to encourage shopkeepers to make provision for access into their shops by disabled people. Additionally, that Conference should call upon the Welsh Office to make grants available to avoid the need for empty shops to be boarded up.



- (ii) The nomination of delegates to attend Conference be deferred to the Council's September meeting.

(c) **National Pay Awards**

The Clerk advised that national pay awards had been agreed on behalf of the four staff of the Community Council. The awards represented an increase in rates of 3% and were effective from 1 April, 1998.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk make arrangements to implement the pay awards.

- 4. The meeting ended at 7.40 p.m.

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