

CYNGOR CYMUNED PONTYCLUN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Pontyclun Community Council held at the Pontyclun Community Centre, Pontyclun, at 7.00p.m. on Monday, 2 December, 1985.

PRESENT: Community Councillors Miss A.M.Bath, Dr I.D.Bowen, Dr S.M.Bowen, Mr E.J.Francis, Mr V.P.James, Mr R.C.Kennard, and Mr F.Monckton.

Also in Attendance: P.C. Ian Guildford

APOLOGIES: Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Community Councillors Mrs A.Burton, Mr R.G.Norman, and Mrs O.P.Phillips.

I. Minutes of the meeting of 4 November, 1985

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Council meeting of 4 November, 1985 be approved as an accurate record.

2. Matters arising

(a) Litter in Llantrisant and Cowbridge Roads, Pontyclun

The Clerk reported that agreement had been reached between the Borough Council and the County Council on the siting of bins. It was likely that the bins would be re-positioned shortly. The matter was noted.

(b) Nomination of Governors

The Clerk reported that although the Council and the County Council had agreed to a formula for joint representation on the governing body of Ysgol Gynradd Gymraeg, Llantrisant, agreement to the formula had not been forthcoming from the Llantrisant Community Council until 21 November, 1985. The effect of the delay was to deny the Council representation on the governing body's meeting of 20 November, 1985. The matter was noted.

(c) Storage of Handyman's Tools

The Clerk reported that the Director of Education for the County Council had formerly agreed to the Council's request for facilities for the temporary storage of the Council's handyman's tools in the Old Miskin School. The matter was noted.

(d) Tipping on land at Talygarn

The Clerk read out a letter from the Borough Engineer and Surveyor dealing with toxic waste,

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a gate and fencing for the site, warning signs, and the danger to the public from the protruding steel reinforcement rods. Members also considered a letter about the tip submitted by Captain Kenneth Dixon.

- RESOLVED:
- (i) That the Clerk contact the Borough Engineer to find out the name of Mr Barr's consultant.
 - (ii) That the Clerk express formerly to the Borough Council their concern at the way in which tipping was being carried out.
 - (iii) That the Clerk draw to the Borough Council's attention that the site had still not been fenced off in accordance with the terms of the tipping license.
 - (iv) That the opposition of the Council to any closure of the public footpath crossing the tipping site be conveyed to the Borough Council.
 - (v) That the contents of Captain Dixon's letter be investigated.

(e) Transport for the Elderly

The Clerk reported on the recommendations of the working group which met on 11 November, 1985 to consider the provision of transport for the elderly within the Community.

- RESOLVED:
- (i) That a committee, separate from the Community Council be formed in the locality to investigate the possibility of providing a means of transport for the senior citizens and disabled persons of the Community.
 - (ii) That Councillor R.G. Norman be nominated as a member of the committee and that the scheme be known as "Community Wheels"
 - (iii) That a letter explaining the concept of Community Wheels be sent to the secretaries of all those organisations who had received grants from the Council inviting their participation in the scheme. Contact be also made with senior citizens' organisations, churches and chapels in the Community.

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- (iv) That the committee of Community Wheels might wish to circulate all residents of the Community seeking assistance in establishing the scheme.
- (v) That the committee of Community Wheels might wish to look at the possibility of utilising existing resources in the Community to achieve its objective.
- (vi) That as a possible source of funding Community Wheels the committee might wish to approach local industrialists for assistance.
- (vii) That the working group of the Council meet again in the New Year to progress the matter. The chairman agreed that he would convene the meeting.

(f) Logo Competition

The Chairman read out the comments of the judge who had been invited to adjudicate the competition.

- RESOLVED:
- (i) That the prizes of the Under 14 Age Class and the 14-18 Class be combined and that a sum of £25 be awarded to the pupils of the class of the Pontyclun Primary School who had submitted entries.
 - (ii) That no prize be awarded in the Adult's Class.
 - (iii) That students from an art college be invited to submit logo designs to the Council and that the student submitting the design thought to be best be awarded a prize of £50.
 - (iv) That the Chairman be authorised to purchase "Letteraset" to enable temporary headings to be affixed to the Council's noticeboards.
 - (v) That the arrangements to make a presentation at the Pontyclun Library be cancelled.

(g) Mwyndy Quarry

Members examined and discussed the additional information provided by the Borough Council on the planning application to extract fly ash from the Mwyndy Quarry.

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RESOLVED: That the opposition of the Council to the proposal be forwarded to the County Council drawing attention to:-

- (i) the existing traffic problem in the area caused by cars visiting a nearby garage.
- (ii) the difficult access to the proposed site since the entrance is concealed and located on a bend in the highway.
- (iii) the narrowness of the highway at the point of access to the proposed site.
- (iv) the nuisance which would be caused to householders in a prime residential area.
- (v) the increased traffic which would be generated by the proposed development.

(h) Bridge over River Ely near Pontyclun Goods Yard

The Clerk referred to the two site meetings which had taken place and the subsequent correspondence with British Rail. The latest letter from British Rail confirmed that there was no objection to pedestrians using the bridge leading to the Pontyclun Goods Yard. The matter was noted.

(1) Programming of work in the Community

Councillor James distributed a schedule of possible schemes within the Community which could qualify for assistance under the Manpower Services Commission's Community Programme.

- RESOLVED:
- (i) That the working group of the Council meet with the Management Team of NACRO on 9 December, 1985, at 7.00p.m. to discuss the matter in detail.
 - (ii) That on the same evening the working group meet at 6.30p.m. to decide upon a programme of work for the Council's handyman.

3. Talygarn graveyard and St Anne's Chapel - Request for financial assistance to carry out maintenance works

Members considered Father Reynolds' letter of 12 November, 1985, in which he asked for financial assistance from the Council towards the upkeep of the graveyard and surrounds at Talygarn Church and the ancient chapel of St Anne's.

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- RESOLVED: (i) That the request for financial assistance be declined.
- (ii) That both projects for which financial assistance was being sought be included as priority items in the scheme to be submitted to the M.S.C. under the Community Programme.

4. "The Bungalow" Groesfaen - Refusal of planning permission

The Clerk informed Members that planning permission for the development which had already taken place at "The Bungalow" Groesfaen had been refused by the Borough Council. He outlined the possible courses of action open to both applicant and planning authority. The matter was noted.

5. Ivor Park Sewage Pumping Station

The Clerk reported on the site meeting between Members and representatives of the Welsh Water Authority and the Taff Ely Borough Council which took place on 26 November, 1985. Members were told that the Borough Council had drawn up a scheme for major improvements at the station and that the Welsh Water Authority had earmarked funds for the works. The scheme was likely to cost in the region of £25,000 and that the first stage of the scheme, involving expenditure of about £2,000 to £3,000 would commence before Christmas. The matter was noted.

6. Proposed High Tech Laboratory, Miskin Manor

The Clerk told Members that the Borough Council did not have any further information on the precise nature of the work to be carried out at the proposed development. The Borough Council were, however, able to state that the proposed development was considered, by the County Council, to have a detrimental effect upon landscape features and that it also represented development in the countryside. The matter was noted.

7. Talygarn Rehabilitation Centre

The Clerk read a letter received from the District Planning Officer of the Mid Glamorgan Health Authority in which an assurance was given that the Health Authority had no plans to change the use of the Talygarn Rehabilitation Centre nor to dispose of any land which included the playing fields and cricket pavillion.

RESOLVED: That a copy of the District Planning Officer's letter be sent to Mrs Wreford, Secretary of the Parochial Church Council.

8. Taff Ely Borough Council Annual Report 1984/5

The Clerk reported on the receipt of three copies of the Borough Council's Annual Report for 1984/5. The matter was noted.

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9. Weekly Planning Lists for Weeks 44,45,46 and 47

Members considered the notifications for Weeks 44,45, 46 and 47.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk obtain further details of the following applications:-

56/I335/85

56/I340/85

56/I403/85

10. Payment of Creditors

RESOLVED: That payment be approved to the creditors listed in Appendix 2.

II. Any other business

(a) Finance Committee

RESOLVED: (i) That the next meeting of the Finance Committee be held at the home of Councillor I.D.Bowen, I2 Rhyd-y-Nant, Pontyclun, at 7.30p.m. on 12 December, 1985.

(ii) That Councillors Miss A.M.Bath and V.P.James be co-opted on to the Finance Committee.

(b) Council's Handyman

RESOLVED: (i) That as a matter of policy priority be given to allocating work to the Council's handyman over work earmarked for M.S.C. schemes.

(ii) That authority be given to the Clerk to arrange the hire of a vehicle for the transport of the handyman's tools and materials when necessary.

(iii) That the temporary employment status of the handyman be reviewed in March, 1986.

(c) Footpath No 296 - Groesfaen

The Clerk read out the letter of 28 November, 1985 received from Dolmans, solicitors, acting on behalf of Mr A.C.Thomas owner of Llwynmilwas Farm, Groesfaen.

RESOLVED: (i) That the Clerk reply to Dolmans, acknowledging their letter, and informing them that the Council wished the action for the re-opening of the public right of way to continue.

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- (ii) That a copy of Dolmans letter, together with the Council's reply, be sent to the County Council.

(d) Refurbishment of Public Conveniences, Pontyclun.

The Clerk reported that the building contractor on site had informed him that in addition to the Schedule of Works the following items needed attention:-

- (i) One rotten fascia board.
- (ii) Defective immersion heater
- (iii) Defective lighting in gents' toilet.
- (iv) Damaged urinal stall.

It was considered by the building contractor that items (i) (ii) and (iii) would be relatively inexpensive to replace. Item (iv) would cost approximately £980 to replace in vitreous china or an additional £100 if it was decided to replace the stall in stainless steel.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk contact the building contractor and authorise the replacement of items (i) to (iv) above, item (iv) to be replaced in stainless steel.

(e) Wales Association of Community and Town Councils - East Glamorgan and Gwent Area Meeting - 3 December.

RESOLVED: That as Councillors Kennard and Phillips were both unable to attend the meeting their places be taken by Councillors James and Monckton.

12. The meeting ended at 9.30p.m.

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Minutes of the meeting of the Finance Committee held on the 12 December, 1985 at Ty'r Ffynnon, Castell-y-Mwnws, Brynsadler, at 7.30p.m.

PRESENT Community Councillors V.P.James, R.G.Norman and R.C.Kennard

APOLOGIES Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Community Councillors Miss A.M.Bath, Dr I.D.Bowen, E.J.Francis, and Mrs O.P.Phillips.

I. Community Council's Budget for 1985/6

Members considered the information provided on the spending to date, and the projected expenditure to the end of the current financial year.

RECOMMENDED: (i) That as the Council's expenditure was broadly in line with the original budget that expenditure continue at its current rate.

(ii) That tenders for the reinforcement works necessary to the foundations of the footbridge at the Ivor Park be invited from contractors as a matter of urgency.

2. Community Council Precept for 1986/7

Preliminary discussions took place on the level of precept to be levied on the Borough Council for 1986/7. Members were of the view that on the basis of spending during the current financial year a real increase in expenditure for 1986/7 should be planned.

RECOMMENDED: (i) That the Clerk contact the Borough Council to establish what guidelines, if any, were available to the Council in fixing its precept.

(ii) That the Clerk also establish the latest date by which the Council needed to notify the Borough Council of its precept for 1986/7.

3. The meeting ended at 8.30p.m.

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