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Minutes of the meeting of the Pontyclun Community Council held at the Pontyclun Community Centre, Pontyclun, at 7.00pm on Monday, 6 January, 1986.

PRESENT: Community Councillors Miss A.M.Bath, Mrs A.Burton, Dr S.M.Bowen, Mr V.P.James, Mr F.Monckton and Mr R.G.Norman.

APOLOGIES: Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Community Councillors Dr I.D.Bowen, Mr E.J.Francis, Mr R.C.Kennard and Mrs O.P.Phillips

Also in attendance: P.C. Ian Guildford

CHAIRMAN: In the absence of Councillor R.C.Kennard Councillor R.G.Norman occupied the Chair.

I. Minutes of the meeting of 2 December, 1985

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Council's meeting of 2 December, 1985 be approved as an accurate record.

2. Matters arising

(a) Refurbishment of the public toilets

Members noted with concern that the exterior walls of the toilets had already been defaced by vandals.

RESOLVED: (i) That the exterior walls of the toilets be repainted dark brown.

(ii) That a light fitting be erected at the rear of the toilets to provide illumination during the hours of darkness to deter vandals.

(iii) That the "car park" sign on the exterior wall of the toilet be reinstated.

(iv) That the Clerk make the necessary arrangements.

(b) Community Programme- Report of the Working Group's meeting with representatives of NACRO

The Clerk reported on the discussions which had taken place with representatives of NACRO.

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An outline of work in the Community had been provided to NACRO who, following their site visit on 18 December, 1985, had agreed to submit a draft scheme for approval to the Community Council prior to submission to the Manpower Services Commission. The matter was noted and members expressed their appreciation of the considerable contribution made by Councillor James in the matter.

(c) Wales Association of Community and Town Councils

Members discussed the written report of the Clerk of the meeting of the East Glamorgan and Gwent Area held on 3 December, 1985.

RESOLVED: (i) That in view of Councillor James' appointment as Treasurer to the Area he be nominated as an additional delegate of the Council to future Area meetings.

(ii) That the Clerk purchase a copy of the recent report of the Boundary Commission on the review of Community Councils.

(d) Planning Applications - Further details supplied by the Borough Council

Members examined and discussed the additional information supplied by the Borough Council on planning applications No.s 56/I335/85, 56/I340/85 and 56/I403/85.

The details were noted.

3. Minutes of the Finance Committee of 12 December, 1985

The minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on 12 December, 1985 were approved as an accurate record and adopted by the Council.

4. Matters arising

Community Council Precept for 1986/87

The Clerk reported on the enquires he had made about the arrangements for notifying the Borough Council of the Council's precept requirement for 1986/87.

RESOLVED: That a further meeting of the Finance Committee be held on Monday 20 January, 1986, at the home of Councillor Dr I.D. Bowen, No. 12 Rhyd-y-Nant, Pontyclun, at 7.00pm.

Footbridge at Ivor Park

Councillor James reported that he had arranged for a work specification to be drawn up on the work required at the Ivor Bridge.

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RESOLVED: That no action be taken to seek tenders for the reinforcement work needed to the foundations of the bridge until the specification arranged by Councillor James had been received.

5. Post of Handyman

Members discussed the resignation of the Council's handyman.

RESOLVED: (i) That the Clerk convey to Mr Charles Larcombe the appreciation of the Council of the work he had carried out during his period of employment, and the best wishes of the Council for success in his new employment.

(ii) That the Clerk take action to advertise the vacancy for a handyman in the local Jobcentre and the local press.

6. Congestion in Clun Avenue, Pontyclun

Members discussed the minute of the meeting of the Borough Council's Special Sub Committee of 13 November, 1985 on congestion in Clun Avenue, Pontyclun. Members expressed their approval that the traffic problems in Clun Avenue were being recognised. It was accepted by Members that it was unlikely that there would be an "ideal" solution to the problem and concern was expressed about possible safety hazards arising out of a re-routing of traffic.

RESOLVED: That a request be made to the South Wales Constabulary for the observations of the local Traffic Inspector in the matter.

7. Society of Local Council Clerks- 1985 Salary Agreement

The Clerk reported on the agreement between the National Association of Local Councils and the Society of Local Council Clerks on the revised salary scales operative from 1 July, 1985.

RESOLVED: That the provisions of the agreement be implemented by the Council.

8. Proposed Welsh Office in Brussels

Councillor James reported on his attendance as a delegate of the Council to the Conference in Swansea on the proposed establishment of a Welsh Office in Brussels.

The matter was noted.

RK

9. Rates of Subsistence Allowance for Members on Official Duties

The Clerk provided Members with copies of the Rates of Subsistence and Provisions Relating Thereto contained in the Local Government(Allowances) (Amendment) Regulations, 1985. Copies of claim forms were also provided.

10. Weekly Planning Lists for Weeks 48,49,50 and 5I

The Clerk reported that there were no planning applications which were considered to have an effect on the Community in Weekly List No.49. In addition, the list for Week No.5I was not available since it was the Borough Council's intention to combine Week No.5I notifications with those of Week No.52. The joint notification would be reported to the Council at its meeting of 3 February, 1986. The notifications for Weeks 48 and 50 were noted.

II. Payment of Creditors

RESOLVED: That payment be approved to the creditors listed in Appendix 6.

12. Any other business

(i) Logo Competition

RESOLVED: That a prize of £2.00 be awarded to the child in Miskin who had submitted an entry to the Logo Competition.

(ii) Letter from Captain Dixon

The Clerk read a letter, dated 6 January, 1986, from Captain Dixon of Heol Miskin, Pontyclun.

RESOLVED: (i) That a site meeting be held at the junction of Footpath No 337 and the Cowbridge Road on Saturday 11 January, 1986 at 10.00am.

(ii) That a letter be sent to Captain Dixon thanking him for his vigilance.

(iii) Footpath No.4 (Llanharan)

The Clerk reported that following Members' concern about the possible severing of Footpath No 4 (Llanharan) as the result of the construction of the Talbot Green By-pass he had written to the Clerk of the Llanharan Community Council to establish whether that Council had made any formal representations to the County Council.

RK

The Clerk to the Llanharan Community Council had replied to the effect that whilst nothing official had been done in the matter one of the members of the Community Council, County Councillor Gerry Waters, had taken the matter up with the County Planning Officer who had assured him that the footpath would be preserved.

The matter was noted.

(iv) Proposed Closure of Pontypridd Cottage Hospital

The Clerk read out a letter which had been received from the Chief Executive and Clerk to the Taff Ely Borough Council in which the Community Council's support was sought in opposing the proposed closure of the Pontypridd Cottage Hospital.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk send an appropriate letter, opposing the closure of the Hospital, and among other things, emphasising the invaluable contribution made by the smaller hospitals in taking pressure off the larger hospitals.

(v) Poor road surface opposite St David's Court

Members were told of the poor condition of the road surface opposite St. David's Court in Pontyclun as the result of recent works by the public utilities.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk contact the Mid Glamorgan County Council in an effort to expedite reinstatement works.

(vi) Acknowledgement of Assistance

Members were informed of the assistance given by Mrs. Thomas of No 56 Heol Miskin, Pontyclun, in taking delivery, and in arranging storage facilities for the materials used in the repair of the bus shelter in Heol Miskin.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk write to Mrs Thomas to thank her for the assistance she had given.

I3. The meeting ended at 8.40pm.

*R. Kerr*