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Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Pontyclun Community Council held at the Pontyclun Community Centre, Pontyclun, at 7.00p.m. on Monday, 11 May, 1987.

PRESENT: Community Councillors Professor I D Bowen, Mrs A Burton, Mr T J Burton, Mrs I V Evans, Mr E Hopkin, Mr V P James, Mr R C Kennard, Mr R G Norman, Mrs O P Phillips and Mrs D Richards-Clarke.

Also in attendance: P C Ian Guildford

1. Election of Chairman

RESOLVED: That Councillor R G Norman be appointed Chairman of the Council for 1987/88.

2. Election of Vice-Chairman

RESOLVED: That Councillor Mrs O P Phillips be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Council for 1987/88.

3. Declarations of Acceptance of Office

Declarations of Acceptance of Office were completed by each member of the Council. The Declarations were witnessed by the Clerk as the Proper Officer of the Council.

4. Chairman's Allowance

RESOLVED: That the Chairman's Allowance for 1987/88 be fixed at £500.00.

5. Appointment of members and representatives to committees

RESOLVED: That the following appointments be made:-

(a) Finance Committee

The Chairman, together with Councillors T J Burton, V P James, R C Kennard and Mrs O P Phillips.

(b) District Council/Community Councils Joint Liaison Committee

The Chairman, together with Councillor Mrs O P Phillips and the Clerk.

(c) Straying Animals Working Party

Councillor Mrs O P Phillips

(d) Wales Association of Community and Town Councils - East Glamorgan and Gwent Area Committee

The Chairman, together with Councillors Mrs I V Evans, V P James and the Clerk.

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6. Minutes of the Council's meeting of 6 April, 1987

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Council's meeting of 6 April, 1987, be approved as an accurate record subject to the inclusion of Councillor Mrs A Burton in the list of members present.

7. Matters arising

(a) Nominations to schools' governing bodies

RESOLVED: (i) That Councillors Mrs I V Evans and E Hopkin be nominated by the Council to the two vacancies on the governing body of the Maesyfelin Infants/ Pontyclun Junior Schools.

(ii) That the Clerk obtain clarification from the District Education Officer on the Council's nomination to the governing body of Y Pant Comprehensive School.

(b) Application for financial assistance from the Taff Ely and District Community Police Consultative Committee

RESOLVED: That the matter be deferred to the Council's meeting of 1 June, 1987.

(c) Upgrading of litter bins in the Community

RESOLVED: That the Council replace the existing oil drum type litter bins with the type of litter bins currently in use near the Llantrisant Leisure Centre. Additionally, that members report back to the next meeting of the Council with their respective ward's requirements.

(d) Fishponds at Talygarn - Obstructed footpath

The Clerk informed the Council that he had reported the obstruction of Footpath No 341, caused by the adjacent "fishponds" development to the Borough Council. The Borough Council had responded by acknowledging the problem and agreed that the matter would be taken up with the developer. However, it had been pointed out that a more pressing problem in the view of the Borough Council, connected with the development, was the construction of earth retaining walls in direct contravention of planning consent. The construction of the walls posed a threat of flooding to the Maesyfelin estate.

RESOLVED: (i) That a site meeting be held at the "fishponds" development at 7.30p.m. on the evening of 12 May, 1987.

(ii) That the Clerk establish from the Borough Council whether it was the intention of the developer of the site to breed fish for re-stocking purposes or to breed fish for sale to the public.

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8. Ivor Woods(a) Report on the stability of trees within the landslip

The Clerk outlined the developments which had taken place since the first reports of land slippage had been received. The Clerk informed the Council that the landslip continued to be monitored and advised of the contents of the latest report.

RESOLVED: That a site meeting be held at the Woods on the evening of Tuesday, 12 May, 1987.

(b) Consulting Engineers' Report - Payment of Invoice

Members discussed Ove Arup's letter of 30 April, 1987, in which reasons were offered for the increase in their professional fees over the figure originally quoted.

RESOLVED: That the matter be referred to the next meeting of the Finance Committee.

9. Talygarn Tip

The Clerk referred to the decision of the Council on 1 December, 1986 to seek further information on Talygarn Tip. The reply of the Borough Council, dated 24 April, 1987, was discussed by the Council. Reference was made to the current application by the landowner for planning consent for the creation of a further tip on an adjacent site. The Council, at an earlier meeting, had unanimously opposed the further application and had conveyed its views to the Borough Council. A public meeting, called by the Pontyclun Environment Group had also strongly opposed the planning application and had also made representations to the Borough Council.

RESOLVED: That the matter be left in abeyance until the outcome of the planning application was known.

10. Adoption of sewers in Rhyd-y-Nant, Pontyclun

The Clerk referred to the decision of the Council on 2 March, 1987, to seek further details on the implications of getting the Welsh Water Authority to make a declaration to the effect that the sewers at Rhyd-y-Nant, Pontyclun, were vested in the W.W.A. The Borough Council, as agents for the W.W.A., were unable to provide details details of the implications.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk contact the W.W.A. direct to obtain their views on the making, and implications, of such a declaration.

11. Annual Conference of the Society of Local Council Clerks, 1987. - Report of the Clerk

The Clerk gave a verbal report on the addresses given to Conference by the Earl Marshall of Leeds, on the Role of Parish Government in Modern Times, Mr Michael Fagin, of the Department of the Environment, on plans ease restrictions on the development of

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low grade land, and the Chief Constable of West Yorkshire, Mr Colin Sampson, on Community Policing. The Clerk also reported on the plans presented to Conference for the introduction of formal training courses for Clerks at the Gloucester College of Art and Design.

The Clerk's report was noted.

12. Wales Association of Community and Town Councils

(a) Nominations to Office

RESOLVED: That the Council nominate the following officers to the East Glamorgan and Gwent Area Committee:-

Chairman: Mr Ian Gylee-Llanharan C.C.

Vice Chairman: Mr K Finney - Nantyglo and Blaina C.C.

Secretary: Mr A Rosser - Pentyrch C.C.

Treasurer: Mr V P James - Pontyclun C.C.

(b) Proposed New Welsh Language Act

The statement of the East Glamorgan and Gwent Area Committee was noted.

(c) Area Committee Meeting of 2 June, 1987, - Invitation to submit questions for answer by the Association's Special Adviser, Dr Wynne Samuel

RESOLVED: (i) That the matter of the non-adoption of the sewers at Rhyd-y-Nant, Pontyclun, be raised and the views of the Special Adviser be sought on what remedies or solutions were available to the residents.

(ii) That the views of the Special Adviser be sought on the desirability of involving local councils in the decisions to place parking restrictions within local councils' areas.

13. Children's Playground, Pontyclun.

The Council discussed the run down state of the children's playground in Pontyclun.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk contact the Borough Council to establish whether it would be possible to update some of the equipment in the park with the replacement of more imaginative furniture. Also, whether it would be possible to take effective action to rid the park of the nuisance of molehills.

14. Illegal Parking at Corner Park Garage, Mwyndy.

The Council noted the efforts being made by the police and the

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Mid Glamorgan County Council to end unlawful parking in the vicinity of the Corner Park Garage, Mwyndy.

15. Bute Arms, Pontyclun.

The Council noted that application was being made for the transfer of the Justices License.

16. Planning Notifications for Week No.s 14, 15, 16, 17+18

It was noted that there were no planning applications in the notification for Week No. 14 which were considered to have an effect on the Community.

RESOLVED: That further details be sought from the Borough Council on applications No.s 56/0416/87 and 56/0492/87.

17. Payment of Creditors

RESOLVED: That payment be approved to the creditors listed in Appendix No. 10 to the Agenda.

18. Any other business of an urgent nature

- (a) Nomination to the Management Committee of the Pontyclun Community Centre

RESOLVED: That Community Councillor Mrs D Richards-Clarke be nominated to the Management Committee

- (b) Hazzards caused by vehicles parking on the highway at the Mwyndy Garage, Mwyndy.

The Council discussed the traffic hazzards created by vehicles parking outside the Mwyndy Garage, Mwyndy. P C Guildford informed the Council that the police were aware of the problem and were monitoring the situation.

RESOLVED: That the matter be referred to the Highway Authority for comment.

- (c) Traffic problems in Miskin

The Council gave consideration to the serious traffic problems being experienced in Miskin.

RESOLVED: (i) That the Council establish a special sub committee to consider the problems in detail. Membership of the sub committee to comprise Councillors E Hopkin, T J Burton, V P James, R C Kennard and R G Norman. In addition, that an invitation to join the sub committee be extended to P C Guildford.

- (ii) That the Clerk obtain copies of the Local Plan and the County Council's Structure Plan.

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(d) Occupier of Brofiskin Farm, Groesfaen

Councillor Hopkin reported that the occupier of Brofiskin Farm, Groesfaen, had been refused a vote at the election on 11 May, 1987.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk establish the reason for the refusal with the Returning Officer.

(e) Pontyclun Christian Action Council

Councillor Mrs Richards-Clarke informed the Council that the plans of the Pontyclun Christian Action Council for the creation of a Day Centre/Church in Pontyclun were at an advanced stage and that the Christian Action Council would be contacting the Community Council shortly.

(f) Postbox at Millfield, Pontyclun.

Councillor Mrs Richards-Clarke reported upon the requests of residents of Millfield for the siting of a postbox in the area.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk pursue the matter with the Post Office.

(g) Community Footpaths

Councillor Mrs Richards-Clarke pointed out that she was a relatively new resident of Pontyclun and was unaware of many of the footpaths and rights of way in the Community.

RESOLVED: (i) That all new members of the Council be provided with copies of the Ordnance Survey maps and the Definitive Map Statement for the Community.

(ii) That a centre page fold be included in the next issue of CLUN showing main footpaths.

(h) Community Watch Scheme, Miskin.

P C Guildford reported that a Community Watch Scheme was being started in Miskin Village.

The matter was noted.

(i) Litter in Brynsadler

Councillor Kennard reported that, for a number of reasons, Brynsadler was badly affected by litter problems.

RESOLVED: That a request be made to the Borough Council to extend the sweeping area of the Pontyclun roadsweeper from the bridge outside the brewery to the post office in Brynsadler.

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(j) Wayside Seats

The Chairman reported that the wayside seats located outside St Paul's Church and in Station Road were in a very poor condition and needed replacement as a matter of urgency.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk make arrangements for the replacement of both wayside seats.

(k) Pontyclun Girls' Brigade

The Clerk read out a letter which he had received from Mrs Jan. Berry, Captain of the Pontyclun Girls' Brigade, extending an invitation to all Council members, to attend the Brigade's production of the 'Music Machine' in the Bethell Baptist Church on Sunday, 17 May, and Monday, 18 May.

The matter was noted.

(l) Notices of Motion

- The following notices of motion were given:-

(i) Creation of a local directory (Councillor Kennard)

(ii) Creation of a footpath from the Maesyfelin estate into the Maesyfelin sportsfields (Councillor James)

19. The meeting ended at 9.50 p.m.

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