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M I N U T E S

Minutes of the **December monthly meeting** of Pontyclun Community Council held at Pontyclun Day Centre, Heol yr Orsaf, Pontyclun, at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, 9 December, 2014.

PRESENT: Community Councillors: Ann Bennett, Ken Forsdyke (Chair), Gwynn Griffith, Paul Griffiths, Tony Lane, Huw Rees, Brendan O'Reilly and Bethan Theaker.

Members of the public were also present.

1. **Apologies for absence**

Apologies received from Community Councillors Margaret Griffiths, Janis Jones and Gordon Norman. The Council accepted the apologies.

2. **Declaration of Interest**

Councillor Ann Bennett declared an interest but did not state for which item on the agenda.

3. **Matters raised by residents/quest**

none received

4. **Reports and presentations from others**

The Chair brought forward item 8 xiv October Arts Festival

Mrs Julie Croad gave the Council an overview of the festival and presented its financial account, appendix 12.

A wide and varied programme was offered to suit all abilities and a rolling programme has been established from interest raised during the festival.

A book is to be published of poetry written by Pontyclun Primary School.

RESOLVED: The Council agreed that Mrs Croad be invited back next year to share proposals for a 2015 festival and for the funds accumulated to remain in the Pontyclun Arts Festival account until a decision is reached for hosting a future event. **A270**

The Council thanked Mrs Croad for all her efforts in making the festival in Pontyclun a success.

The Chair brought forward Item 6 (i) 1 and 2 as members of the public present had indicated that they would like to contribute to this matter.

6. Notices of Motions from Councillors

i Brendan O'Reilly

1. That the Community Council ask RCT Council and other relevant authorities to urgently examine the traffic, parking and road situation in Pontyclun. There are major concerns in particular about the Llantrisant Road, Brynsadler Hill, the entrance to Y Pant school, the village centre and the Heol Miskin Road.

2. That a public meeting is held in order for residents to have the opportunity to voice their concerns and to seek ideas for improvements.

Brendan O'Reilly presented the Council with the Motions above. It was recognised that the traffic, parking and the road situation in Pontyclun is an accumulation of many issues. Traffic flow is hampered from Y Pant School, along Llantrisant Road, through the village centre and on to Brynsadler Hill.

Several members of the public addressed the Council to voice their concerns and frustrations at this matter.

Councillor Paul Griffiths provided an update on matters raised above.

Plans for the new Y Pant Comprehensive include off-road provision for the drop off and pick up of pupils.

The second crossing on Cowbridge Road was installed following a 20 year public campaign and public consultation.

Discussions between RCT Council, the Police and the Coop are ongoing with a view to designating a time restricted loading bay outside the Post Office on Cowbridge Road.

Network Rail has no legal obligation to provide car parking for railway users. Following pressure from RCT Council, Welsh Government has been funding a study to test the feasibility of providing a car park on the land between the rail track and Station Terrace.

The traffic on Brynsadler Hill is often held up and causes serious risks to residents on the east side who have no safe means of exiting their homes. RCT Council has agreed that money gained from the development of housing nearby should be made available for improving safety and traffic flows on Brynsadler Hill.

RESOLVED: Motion 1

That the Council agreed to instruct the Clerk to write to ask RCT Council and other relevant authorities to urgently examine the traffic, parking and road situation in Pontyclun. **A271**

Motion 2

That the Council agreed to hold a public meeting is held in order for residents to have the opportunity to voice their concerns and to seek ideas for improvements. **A272**

5. Minutes

(i) To confirm the minutes of the Council's monthly meeting, 11 November, 2014 as an accurate record – appendix 1

RESOLVED: That the Council approved the minutes of the 11 November meeting as an accurate record subject to the addition Item 11 (i) 'The Council asked for a draft letter to be presented to Members for consideration at the December meeting.

A269

(ii) To confirm the minutes of the Council's extraordinary meeting, 31 October, 2014 as an accurate record – appendix 2

RESOLVED: That the Council approved the minutes of the Council's Extraordinary meeting 31 October, 2014 as an accurate record.

ii Councillor Tony Lane

1. That the Council agree to relocate the bus shelter allocated for Ivor Arms to the bus stop outside of Units 1 and 2 Cowbridge Road.
2. That the Council agree to enforce a height restriction in the car park.

RESOLVED: MOTION1:
That the Council agreed to relocate the bus shelter allocated for Ivor Arms to the bus stop outside of Units 1 and 2 Cowbridge Road A273
MOTION 2:
That the Council did not agree to enforce a height restriction in the car park.

Matters arising from previous meetings – Action Table

Appendix 3

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Action 168 bus stop outside of Units 1 & 2 Cowbridge Road

Action to be removed

Action 186 Delivery vehicles unit 1 & 2 Cowbridge Road

Councillor T Lane gave Clerk 3 photographs of vehicles for Clerk to forward to RCT CBC. Clerk has chased up letter asking why smaller unit does not have restriction times during busy school times but still not received a reply. A186

Action 214 Trespass on RCT land adjacent to War Memorial

Action to be removed

Action 260 Car Park

Clerk to request copy of Planning Restrictions imposed for Unit 1 & 2 Cowbridge Road from RCT CBC. A274

8 Report and recommendations from Clerk

- i To approve budget report Appendix 4

RESOLVED: That the Council approved the budget report as shown in appendix 4

- ii To approve the payment of creditors Appendix 5

RESOLVED: That the Council approved the payment of creditors as shown in appendix 5, subject to a breakdown of the pension contributions reported at the next meeting. **A275**

- iii To consider the 2015/16 budget Appendix 6

2015/16 revenue budget shown in November minutes.
In error appendix 6 not attached to agenda papers.

- iv To consider planning applications. Appendix 7

RESOLVED: That the Council has no comments to make.

- v To note probation reviews of Caretaker and Assistant Caretaker report Appendix 8

RESOLVED: That the Council noted the report. Clerk requested to obtain copy of Caterers Insurance document. **A276**

- vi To note Provision of Café 50 report Appendix 9

RESOLVED: That the Council noted the report

- vii To note Bus Shelter at Ivor Arms report Appendix 10

RESOLVED: That the Council noted the report

- viii To note Notice Board report Appendix 11

RESOLVED: That the Council noted the report and agreed to wait for the transfer of land to RCT CBC before planning for the Cefn yr Hendy notice board is submitted.

- xiv To note October Arts Festival report Appendix 12

RESOLVED: That the Council noted the report and thanked Mrs J Croad.

- xv To note National Assembly for Wales' The sixth of the regular emails keeping you up to date with the progress of the Bill as it moves through the legislative process.

<http://wales.gov.uk/topics/planning/legislation/planningbill-old/planning-bill-news/?lang=en>

RESOLVED: That the Council noted the information

xvi To note Welsh Government Consultation on Planning and Related Decisions by the Welsh Ministers. Responses to the consultation paper is invited by 30 January 2015. <http://wales.gov.uk/consultations/planning/?lang=en&>

RESOLVED: That the Council noted the information

- 8** Reports and Recommendations of Committees and Working Groups
None received
- 9** **Questions from Councillors**
Councillor T Lane. Copy of Insurance document required by Bernice Hairdressers referring to bracket for Christmas lights. **A277**
- 10** **Matters of discussion but not decision**
None received