



## GELLIGAER COMMUNITY COUNCIL

### Minutes of Full Council Meeting of Gelligaer Community Council held on Wednesday 21 October 2015 at Gelligaer Community Council Office, Council Chamber, Llwyn Onn, Penpedairheol.

#### PRESENT

**Councillors:** D Cushing, M James, T Matthews, T Parry (Chairman) and J A Pritchard.

**Clerk:** Ceri Mortimer

#### 93 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr A Angel & Cllr G Roberts due to work commitments, Cllr H David due to attending another meeting, Cllr W David and Cllr N Quarry due to family commitments and Cllr G Hughes due to sickness.

#### 94 Declarations of Interest

Chairman Cllr Teresa Parry declared an interest in minute no. 111 (Planning)

#### 95 Chairman's Announcements

Chairman Cllr Teresa Parry announced the following:

She had presented cheques to:

- Cascade Luncheon Club, and attended their luncheon with Cllr Judith Pritchard.
- Cascade Methodist Church, for external doors and signage.
- Cascade Crafters
  
- Attended a CC Water, Consumer Council Water workshop & AGM
- Attended TYB village opening with Cllr Judith Pritchard

A thank you letter had been received from Gelligaer Local History Appreciation Society in relation to the grant they had received from the community council and details of a local history book that was published in September 2015.

#### 96 Minutes

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 23/09/2015 were confirmed and signed as an accurate record

#### 97 Matters Arising

Minute No.81 – Cllr Judith Pritchard attended the Over 50+ Forum's 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Minute No.83 – At our last meeting, Cllr Donna Cushing rightly noted our council's resolution on each motion, as she was our representative attending One Voice Wales' AGM on 3<sup>rd</sup> October. Council based their decisions/resolutions on the information contained within the letter from OVW and unanimously voted against supporting motion 7 Trawsfynydd Community Council ' However, at the AGM, additional information was presented to the member councils, which most definitely would have swayed our Community Council to vote in support of the motion, if we had this information to hand.

The clerk will seek clarification from OVW as in how councils can be expected to consider motions and make informed decisions, prior to the AGM, when not all the facts are presented to them, and how it can be overcome for future AGM's.

## 98 Current Financial Situation as at 14/10/2015

### (i) Balance of Funds

Balance of Funds were received, confirmed and signed as an accurate record which included a list of authorised cheques. Chairman and vice signed.

### (ii) Cheques

Chairman signed copied cheques

### (iii) Reconciliation

Reconciled cheque list was received and signed by non-signatory member

### (iv) Bank Statements

Bank Statement no's 71, 70,7,6,5,4,82 and 29 were received and signed by non-signatory member (same as last month's, new statements have not yet been rec'd)

## 99 Financial Assistance

### (i) Cascade Carvers Application No. 21

It was RESOLVED that £80 be granted to Cascade Carvers

### (ii) Rhymney Valley Music Club Application No. 22

It was RESOLVED that £300 be granted to Rhymney Valley Music Club

### (iii) 1<sup>st</sup> Ystrad Mynach Scout Group Application No. 23

It was RESOLVED that £1,000 be granted to 1<sup>st</sup> Ystrad Mynach Scout Group which includes the Scouts, Beavers, Cubs, Guides, Rainbows & Brownies.

### (iv) Gelligaer Community Centre Application No. 24

It was RESOLVED that £110 be granted to **Gelligaer Community Centre** to cover parking costs at Weston Super Mare

## 100 Chancellor increases Insurance Premium Tax

Correspondence received from Zurich Insurance regarding Chancellor increasing Premium Tax from 6% to 9.5% from 1<sup>st</sup> November 2015 was noted.

## 101 Wales Audit Office – External Audit Arrangements for next 3 years

The following was noted:

BDO LLP will become appointed auditor for our Annual Return for 2015/16, 2016/17 & 2018/19

Clerk has requested clarification as to who will audit 2017/18

BDO LLP will focus on budget setting and monitoring and the engagement of the internal audit for 2015/16

## 102 Independent Remuneration Panel Consultation

### Proposed Changes in Remuneration to Community & Town Councils

The following comments were made in relation to Determination 45 – 52. The final report will be published in February 2016 for implementing in 2016/17

Determination 45 - No change – Members agreed that the sum of £100 is adequate to cover costs incurred in respect of telephone usage, IT and consumables etc.

Determination 46 - Not applicable to our council due to its size

Determination 47 – Members agreed that mayors/chairs and deputies are provided a civic allowance

Determination 48 – Members agreed to proposed payment of travel cost within and outside of the council's area

Determination 49 – 51: No change – Members agreed

Determination 52 Members agreed to proposed cost care reimbursements

**103 Caerphilly County Borough Council (CCBC) – Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Annual Monitoring**  
Correspondence from CCBC's Planning department was noted, that no schemes have been undertaken during April 2014 to March 2015, therefore no income generated, which means no CIL to pass on to the community council. We will be notified annually in regards to CIL.

**104 Caerphilly County Borough Council – Member Code of Conduct**  
Members received and noted a hard copy of the Code of Conduct presentation that CCBC's Interim Head of Legal Services, Mrs Gail Williams, had recently conducted.

**105 Welsh Government - Draft Directions to the Local Democracy and Boundary for Wales**

*This item was deferred from the last meeting*

- (i) A letter from Mr Leighton Andrew AM was noted, in relation to proposals to remove the cap on the maximum number of councillors per authority. The "Draft Directions specify that the number of councillors should be no smaller than the number produced by a councillor to elector ratio of one councillor to every 4,000 electors".
- (ii) Consultation Document: Draft Directions to the Local Democracy and Boundary for Wales – Members commented and clerk will submit

**106 Projects**

- (i) **Young Citizen's Award** – nominee, Connor Webb was accepted. Members to make enquiries with local youth groups for further nominations
- (ii) **Pantomime** - tickets & posters were distributed to members
- (iii) **Cycle track, remaining 100 yards** – correspondence from CCBC's Highways Engineer Mr Clive Campbell was noted.
- (iv) **Project Summary:**

**Project No. 362 Community Benefit – Solar Schools**

Work: Supply & Install solar panels as gift to 3 schools – Glyngaer primary, Hengoed primary & YGG Bro Allta plus asbestos & structural surveys to all 8 primary schools.  
Cost: £33,000

**Project No. 361 Community Benefit – write & publish children's book**

Work: Community 1<sup>st</sup> to work with families to write local book for children (bilingual)  
Cost: £5,000

**Project No. 360 Community Benefit – Compost toilet**

Work: Install disabled toilet at Parc Penallta suitable for all to use  
Cost: £4,000

**Project No. 359 Cefn Hengoed Youth Centre**

Work: Install showers for footballers  
Cost: £2,000 (plus area forum monies £2,000)

**Project No. 358 Glanynant**

Work: Supply & Install green loop fencing remaining stretch near Glanynant Memorial Hall.  
Cost: £6,000 (plus area forum monies £4228)

**Project No. 357 Siloh Christian Centre Ystrad Mynach**

Work: Develop small garden to the rear (phase 1)  
Cost: £545

**Project No. 356 Cascade Methodist Church**

Work: Install e external doors and new signage  
Cost: £2,161, pledged £2500

**Project No. 355 Christmas Lighting throughout area**

Work: Install 63 figurines, dress 7 trees, curtain of lights.  
Cost: £4,286 plus £1166 for supply & lighting tree at Derwendeg primary

**Project No. 354 Heath Messages in Local Surgeries**

Work: Install TV monitors to display health messages in Gelligaer & Oakfield surgeries  
Cost: £777

**Project No.353 Ystrad Mynach Christmas Market**

Work: Contribution towards the Christmas market to ensure its continuity.  
Cost: £1,500

**Project No. 352 Bethel Evangelical Church, Gelligaer**

Work: To improve disabled access and DDA W/C  
Cost: £2,500

**Project No. 351 Roman Fort Welsh Guide Books**

Work: Design and print 200 books in readiness for the Eisteddfod  
Cost: £835

**Project No. 350 – Community Notice Board**

Work: Supply & install notice board o/s Magnum Stores, Cefn Hengoed for the community to use and for the community Council to display items of interest.  
Cost: £1167

**Project No. 348 – Youth Club, Cefn Hengoed**

Work: Rebuild/refurbishment centre.  
Cost: £ 3,520 (fee for technical services)

**Project No. 345 - Women's refuge**

Work: to improve the interior to make more homely & welcoming for women & children.  
Inventory of items/works has been drawn up  
Cost of printing: £330 for Welcome Packs for Gilfach & £330 on mattresses for Ystrad Mynach

**Project No. 343 Ystrad Mynach Primary School Centenary Mosaic**

Work: Artists to work with children in designing and installing a mosaic in the grounds  
Cost: £2,000

**Project No. 342 Hanging Baskets at Ystrad Mynach**

Work: Supply & fit 12 summer hanging baskets throughout the town plus planter on railings to the front of Pier Head building & daily watering  
Cost: £3,406

**Project No.336 Motorbike Inhibitor between f/path on Hospital Road**

Work: Install Motorbike Inhibitor Cost: £950

**Project No.335 Day trip to the beach for families**

Work: 2 coaches from each community 1<sup>st</sup> ward (i) Gelligaer (ii) Tiryberth (iii) Hengoed & Cefn Hengoed, to transport families for a day out to Porthcawl  
Cost: £1,950

**Project No. 330 Bands in the Park**

Work: Bands in the Park 2015 at Tiryberth Park and Ystrad Mynach Park. Cost: £692

**Project No. 228 Pantomimes 2015**

Work: Arrange 7 pantomimes at 6 venues (1) Tiryberth Primary  
(2) Gelligaer Community Centre (3) Lindsay Club (4) Hengoed Community Centre (5) Ystrad Mynach x 2 (Lewis Girls) & Penybryn Cost: £4,000

**Project No. 222: Tiryberth Memorial**

Work: Hard standing & pathway completed. Names of fallen are required for inscriptions on the granite. Member is making enquiries

**Project No. 218: Wild Flower Sowing**

Work: sowing/planting at: (1) Tiryberth park banking  
(2) by The Cross P/H (3) on triangular section of grass near Derwendeg Primary  
(4) in the verge past the entrance and R/A to Brynsiriol estate Cost: £1,250

**Project No. 212: Bi-annual Gelligaer Young Citizens Award**

Work: Presentation for good deeds within the community  
Cost: £205 Next event: tbc

**Project No. 167: Gelligaer Community Newsletter**

Work: Newsletter 2015/16  
Cost: £1150 & distribution costs

**107 CCBC's Pride in your Place**

Item noted

**108 CCBC's Customer Service New Opening Times**

Item noted

The clerk has put details onto our website and on all 3 external noticeboards.

**109 Remembrance Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2015 10.45am**

Wreaths for collection for the following wards:

- Cefn Hengoed – Cllr Donna Cushing
- Greenhill – Cllt T Matthews
- Tiryberth – Cllr T Parry
- Ystrad Mynach – Cllr M James

Services will take place at St Catwg's Church, Tiryberth Memorial & Ystrad Mynach Cenotaph

**110 Next Meeting: 18th November 7.30pm**

**Venue: Derwendeg Primary School**

Arrangements will be made to give lifts to those members who do not drive.

**111 Planning Applications**

Case Ref. 15/0584/RET Site Area: 297m<sup>2</sup>

Location: 6 Tir-y-berth Street Tir-y-berth Hengoed CF82 8AQ

Proposal: Retain garden shed

Applicant: Mr K Ash 6 Tir-y-berth Street Tir-y-berth Hengoed CF82 8AQ

Agent:

Case Officer: Miss E Rowley 01495 235271 \_ rowlee@caerphilly.gov.uk

Ward: St Cattwg Map Ref: 315131 (E) 196709 (N) Expected Decision Level: Delegated

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council NO OBJECTION

Case Ref. 15/0585/FULL Site Area: 221m<sup>2</sup>

Location: 31 St Cattwg's Avenue Gelligaer Hengoed CF82 8FD

Proposal: Erect a single storey extension to the rear, a two storey extension to the side, a porch to the front and extend the hardstanding at the front of the property by 2.6m to create two parking spaces

Applicant: Miss N Price 31 St Cattwg's Avenue Gelligaer Hengoed CF82 8FD

Case Officer: Mr C Powell 01495 235019 \_ powelc2@caerphilly.gov.uk

Ward: St Cattwg Map Ref: 313417 (E) 196679 (N) Expected Decision Level: Delegated

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council NO OBJECTION

Case Ref. 15/0590/FULL Site Area: 126m<sup>2</sup>  
Location: 40 Griffiths Street Ystrad Mynach Hengoed CF82 7AW  
Proposal: Erect replacement garage  
Applicant: Mr J Van Ek 40 Griffiths Street Ystrad Mynach Hengoed CF82 7AW  
Case Officer: Mrs R Amundson 01495 235120 \_ amundrh@caerphilly.gov.uk  
Ward: Ystrad Mynach Map Ref: 314150 (E) 194697 (N) Expected Decision Level: Delegated  
Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council NO OBJECTION

*Chairman, Cllr Teresa Parry declares an interest in the next item and leaves the chamber playing no part in the ensuing discussions.*

*Vice chair Cllr D Cushing chairs the next item*

Case Ref. 15/0773/RM Site Area: 1171m<sup>2</sup>  
Location: Sheen Court The Walk Ystrad Mynach Hengoed  
Proposal: Approve the matters of appearance, landscaping, layout and scale reserved under outline planning permission 15/0028/OUT (Erect a 3 or 4 bedroom detached dwelling)  
Applicant: Mrs D Gwyther Cascade House Pengam Road Hengoed CF82 8BX  
Agent: Penrose Architectural Services Mr D Watkins 46 High Street Pengam Blackwood  
Case Officer: Mr C Powell 01495 235019 powelc2@caerphilly.gov.uk  
Ward: Hengoed Map Ref: 314551 (E) 194670 (N) Expected Decision Level: Delegated  
Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council NO OBJECTION

*Chairman, Cllr Teresa Parry returns to the chamber and chairs the remaining part of the meeting. Vice chair, Cllr Donna Cushing steps down.*

Case Ref. 15/0846/FULL Site Area: 289m<sup>2</sup>  
Location: 14 Park Road Hengoed CF82 7LW  
Proposal: Rebuild existing domestic garage  
Applicant: Mr & Mrs D Morley 14 Park Road Hengoed CF82 7LW  
Case Officer: Mr A Pyne 01495 235197 \_ pynea@caerphilly.gov.uk  
Ward: Hengoed Map Ref: 315057 (E) 194859 (N) Expected Decision Level: Delegated  
Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council NO OBJECTION

Case Ref. 15/1003/RET Site Area: 204m<sup>2</sup>  
Location: 41 Brambling Crescent Penallta Hengoed CF82 6BF  
Proposal: Retain one dwelling with detached garage  
Applicant: Redrow Homes (South Wales) Ltd Mr E Davies Redrow House Copse Walk Cardiff Gate Business Park Cardiff CF23 8RH  
Case Officer: Mrs M Davies 01495 235227 \_ daviem2@caerphilly.gov.uk  
Ward: Hengoed Map Ref: 314307 (E) 196149 (N) Expected Decision Level: Delegated  
Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council NO OBJECTION

Case Ref. 15/1004/RET Site Area: 209m<sup>2</sup>  
Location: 39 Brambling Crescent Penallta Hengoed CF82 6BF  
Proposal: Retain one dwelling with detached garage  
Applicant: Redrow Homes (South Wales) Mr E Davies Redrow House Copse Walk Cardiff Gate Business Park Cardiff CF23 8RH  
Case Officer: Mrs M Davies 01495 235227 daviem2@caerphilly.gov.uk  
Ward: Hengoed Map Ref: 314303 (E) 196159 (N) Expected Decision Level: Delegated  
Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council NO OBJECTION

Case Ref. 15/1005/RET Site Area: 225m<sup>2</sup>  
Location: 37 Brambling Crescent Penallta Hengoed CF82 6BF  
Proposal: Retain one dwelling with detached garage  
Applicant: Redrow Homes (South Wales) Mr E Davies Redrow House Copse Walk Cardiff Gate Business Park Cardiff CF23 8RH  
Case Officer: Mrs M Davies 01495 235227 \_ daviem2@caerphilly.gov.uk  
Ward: Hengoed Map Ref: 314310 (E) 196167 (N) Expected Decision Level: Delegated

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council NO OBJECTION

Case Ref. 15/1006/RET Site Area: 269m<sup>2</sup>

Location: 35 Brambling Crescent Penallta Hengoed CF82 6BF

Proposal: Retain one dwelling with detached garage

Applicant: Redrow Homes (South Wales) Mr E Davies Redrow House Copse Walk Cardiff Gate Business Park Cardiff CF23 8RH

Case Officer: Mrs M Davies 01495 235227 \_ daviem2@caerphilly.gov.uk

Ward: Hengoed Map Ref: 314312 (E) 196177 (N) Expected Decision Level: Delegated

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council NO OBJECTION

Case Ref. 15/1007/RET Site Area: 373m<sup>2</sup>

Location: 33 Brambling Crescent Penallta Hengoed CF82 6BF

Proposal: Retain one dwelling with detached garage

Applicant: Redrow Homes (South Wales) Mr E Davies Redrow House Copse Walk Cardiff Gate Business Park Cardiff CF23 8RH

Case Officer: Mrs M Davies 01495 235227 \_ daviem2@caerphilly.gov.uk

Ward: Hengoed Map Ref: 314306 (E) 196191 (N) Expected Decision Level: Delegated

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council NO OBJECTION

Case Ref. 15/1008/RET Site Area: 364m<sup>2</sup>

Location: 31 Brambling Crescent Penallta Hengoed CF82 6BF

Proposal: Retain one dwelling with detached garage

Applicant: Redrow Homes (South Wales) Mr E Davies Redrow House Copse Walk Cardiff Gate Business Park Cardiff CF23 8RH

Case Officer: Mrs M Davies 01495 235227 \_ daviem2@caerphilly.gov.uk

Ward: Hengoed Map Ref: 314309 (E) 196203 (N) Expected

Decision Level: Delegated

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council NO OBJECTION

Case Ref. 15/1063/FULL Site Area: 523m<sup>2</sup>

Location: The Ridge 30 Tyn-Y-Coed Tredomen Hengoed CF82 7DD

Proposal: Erect detached domestic garage

Applicant: Mr & Mrs A Hadfield The Ridge, 30 Tyn-Y-Coed Tredomen Hengoed CF82 7DD

Agent: Dean Lock Design Mr D Lock 10 Birchwood Close Highfields Blackwood NP12 1WX

Case Officer: Mrs R Amundson 01495 235120 \_ amundrh@caerphilly.gov.uk

Ward: Ystrad Mynach Map Ref: 313982 (E) 194320 (N) Expected

Decision Level: Delegated

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council NO OBJECTION

**The meeting closed at 9.15 pm**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Chairman