

**Minutes for the Monthly Meeting of Llantrisant Community
Council held at Caerlan Hall, Llantrisant
on 13 September 2016 at 6.30pm**

PRESENT: Cllr Julie Barton (Chair), Cllr Allan Matheson, Cllr Brian Farr, Cllr David Nicholas, Cllr Veronica Nicholas, Cllr Paul Baccara, Cllr Arlene Moss, Cllr Louisa Mills, Cllr Gill Morris, Cllr Paula Yeo, together with the Clerk Mrs Alison Jenkins.

AGENDA ITEM 1

To receive apologies for absence.

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Ron Hunt, Cllr Nicholas Powell and Cllr Jonathan Gilmore.

AGENDA ITEM 2

- Cllr Gill Morris declared a personal interest in item number 14.
- Cllr Louisa Mills declared a personal interest in item number 15.

AGENDA ITEM 7 Planning

There were a large number of members of the public in attendance who wanted to talk on Agenda Item 7 Planning, specifically on the item application ref: 16/0819/10, regarding Planning Application for proposed residential development of 28 flats on the site of Southgate Garage, Cross Inn Road, Llantrisant. Council agreed to move this item up the agenda so that the public could give their views.

Many people spoke on the issue and answered and asked questions of Council and Councillors. They all had strong feelings in opposition to the proposed development. After 30 minutes of discussion Council agreed to write to oppose the planning application for reasons which had been outlined by Cllr Allan Matheson in his personal letter of objection which had already been submitted. The Clerk to check last planning application for signs that the land may be contaminated, and also the LDP. Council to also send a separate letter to Simon Gale at RCT regarding the lack of information sent to local residents about the Planning Application.

Meeting adjourned at 6.55 to allow members of the public to leave

Meeting recommenced at 6.57

AGENDA ITEM 9 Older Persons' Listening Project

Bethan Smith from Interlink was also present to speak on Agenda Item 9, The Older Persons' Listening Project. Council agreed to move this item up the agenda so she didn't have to wait.

Bethan informed Council about the project which aims to talk to older people in their own location about issues which they have about their locality. The research is able to show if there are 'spikes' of concern about any issue, for example transport, local

facilities or loneliness. This can help inform measures which fall under the 'wellbeing agenda'

Cllr Julie Barton suggested that the Monday Group at Beddau Library would be happy to be a part of the project. Also the Council's Events Meeting on 20 September might throw up other groups which would be interested in taking part.

The Chair thanked Ms Smith for attending and asked her to let the Council know of any significant findings from the project in the Council area.

Ms Smith left the meeting at 7.10 and the meeting reverted back to the original agenda

AGENDA ITEM 3

The minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on the 12 July 2016 were confirmed and signed as a true record.

Matters Arising

Cllr Arlene Moss spoke of the sign language course and she and Cllr Louisa Mills would like to complete the course, which will take 3 years. Council suggested that this be tabled as an item for the next meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 4

- a) *To Note the information regarding the No. 47 Bus*
The information regarding the No. 47 bus was noted.
- b) *To receive feedback from Cllr Allan Matheson and Cllr David Nicholas from the One Voice Wales Area committee meeting*
Cllr Allan Matheson and Cllr David Nicholas updated council on the meeting.
- c) *To Note the Clerk's report on Actions from the Meeting*
Council noted the date of the Community Events meeting of 20 September and agreed to hold a meeting of the Events Committee on Monday 19 September at 10.30am.

AGENDA ITEM 5 Pending

- a) *Horticultural Show*
Council were pleased to note a substantial increase in entries for the Horticultural Show.
- b) *Drop Kerbs – Cross Inn and Penygawsi Primary School*
Council noted that the slow sign is the wrong way around. Clerk to contact RCT.

c) *Pavement Dan Caerlan and Brynteg*

Council agreed to pay to extend the new fencing further along the boundary.

d) *Land at Heol Johnson*

Cllr Arlene Moss wants a semi mature specimen tree in the middle, suggesting silver birch, mixed bulbs to be planted and wild flower seeds in the spring, to be funded from Talbot Green project money.

e) *Bee Friendly Llantrisant*

Council noted the report from Cllr Louisa Mills and agreed to keep the use of Round Up to a minimum and to test a patch of weeds with a natural alternative. Noted RCT have also agreed to be Bee Friendly. This enables the council to say that Llantrisant is also Bee Friendly.

AGENDA ITEM 6 Finance

a. To confirm the income and expenditure accounts for July and August 2016.

The income and expenditure accounts for July and August 2016 were accepted and approved.

Cllr Paul Baccara raised an issue with a charitable organisation in Talbot Green, which is having problems with storage of equipment. Proposed using £264 of Talbot Green project money to aid the group. This was accepted by council.

b. To receive and adopt the accounts for payment for September 2016.

The accounts for payment for September 2016 were adopted and it was AGREED that payment would be authorised by Cllr Arlene Moss and Cllr Louisa Mills.

c. To approve and accept the completed annual return for the financial year ending on the 31st March 2016

Approved.

d. To consider responding to the consultation on audit fee rates and scales.

Noted

AGENDA ITEM 7 Planning

a. All planning applications were noted, with particular attention being paid to the planning application for the demolition of the Hand & Squirrel Pub and conversion into flats. Also see discussion at start of meeting regarding Cross Inn planning application.

b. The Welsh Government Historic Environment Planning Consultation was noted.

c. The Planning law in Wales scoping paper was noted.

AGENDA ITEM 8 Correspondence

- a. It was agreed that Cllr Julie Barton would attend the event invitation from Pontyclun Bosom Pals, celebrating 8 years of their service.
- b. It was agreed that any councillors wishing to attend any One Voice Wales Training for Councillors, should inform the Clerk.
- c. It was agreed for Cllr Allan Matheson and Cllr David Nicholas to attend the One Voice Wales Conference.
- d. It was agreed for the Clerk to attend the SLCC National Conference.
- e. The CREW sustaining Welsh Communities event was noted.
- f. The workshop for under-represented individuals who may wish to become Councillors was noted.
- g. The thank you from Pontyclun Bosom Pals for the donation from the Chair's allowance was noted.

AGENDA ITEM 9 Older Persons Listening Project

This was discussed at the beginning of the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 10 Hanging Basket Review

Council noted the results of the site meetings to look at hanging baskets in each ward and agreed to alter the provision of hanging baskets accordingly for next year.

It was further agreed that Cllr Barton would write to RCT to state the community council's disappointment at their request for the removal of our hanging baskets from the smaller lamp-posts, when this agreement had been in place for some years and to enquire why this has changed.

AGENDA ITEM 11 Grants

The new grant policy and updated form were approved.

AGENDA ITEM 12 Christmas

Beddau & Tynant

- Ward members confirmed that they wished to provide the lamp posts displays in both Beddau and Tynant.
- Ward members confirmed that they will use the 5 year old lights for one more season. Cost to erect and remove last year £95 each
- Ward members confirmed that they wish to provide large trees for Mount Pleasant Gardens and outside the library, both of which now have electric supplies. Cost to supply and install last year was £1120 each. The Clerk to obtain new quotes for this year.
- Ward members noted that the solar lights will be replaced on the hanging basket trees.

Llantrisant

- Ward members noted that they do not fund any Christmas lights on lamp posts presently, and it was confirmed that this would not change for this year
- Ward members confirmed that they wished to provide small trees to local businesses this year.
- Ward members noted that last year no tree was erected at Hunter's Gate due to poor impact of solar lights and still no power source is available.
- Ward members noted that the tree in the Bullring was funded by RCT.
- It was queried whether any ward members wished to take part in decorating the community council's tree for the Christmas Tree Festival this year. Cllr Louisa Mills stated that she would be happy to assist the community council with this.

Talbot Green

- It was confirmed that Cllr Arlene Moss would contact the retail park to ascertain if they will fund a Christmas tree again this year. Cost last year: £1446.
- New motifs were purchased 2 years ago. Cost to erect and remove last year £95 each. Ward Members confirmed they wished to provide the lamp post displays again this year. The Clerk to obtain quote from Centregreat.

Christmas Concert(s)

Christmas events to be discussed by events committee during their meeting on Monday 19 September.

School Christmas Tree competition

It was confirmed that the Clerk would proceed with arrangements as per last year's competition.

Councillors Christmas Social

Councillors noted the change of venue and the earlier date, for the December meeting from Caerlan hall to Llys y Cwm hall, which will also house the councillors Christmas social following the meeting. Cllr Moss confirmed that she was happy to purchase the wine again this year.

AGENDA ITEM 13 Dog Bins

It was agreed to provide a sign and dog bin at the end of Chartist Road, Llantrisant.

AGENDA ITEM 14 Carlton Crescent

Cllr Morris updated members with regard to the situation and it was agreed that the Clerk would write a strongly worded letter to Cllr Willis, Cllr Morgan and other ward members to arrange a site meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 15 Grow for It

It was agreed for the Chair to judge the wheelbarrow competition and for £200 to be donated to support the event from Llantrisant Project money.

Cllr David Nicholas and Cllr Veronica Nicholas left the meeting at 8.05pm

AGENDA ITEM 16 Health & Safety

The Clerk's report on health and safety issues since the last meeting was noted (no issues reported).

AGENDA ITEM 17 Councillors Items

Cardiff Road

Cllr Brian Farr stated that following the trimming of trees along Cardiff Road by Swalec, the road had been left in disarray, with logs and sticks covering the pavement. The Clerk to write to Glynne Holmes and report the issue to RCT.

Beating of the Bounds

The donation to the Beating of the Bounds was mentioned and Cllr Morris stated that whilst she is happy to support this event, she felt it may be too soon in the event's preparations to receive financial commitment from Llantrisant Community Council.

The meeting ended at 8.20pm

The next Monthly Meeting of Llantrisant Community Council will be held on Tuesday 11 October 2016 at 6.30pm, Caerlan Hall.

Agenda Item	Task	By Whom
3	Include Sign language course on October Agenda	The Clerk
4c	Convene Events Committee Meeting on 19 September 10.30am	The Clerk
5b	Clerk to contact RCT regarding slow sign being the wrong way between Cross Inn and Penygawsi Primary School.	The Clerk
5c	Extend the new fencing further along the boundary from Dan Caerlan and Brynteg. The Clerk to take this matter forward.	The Clerk
5d	Cllr Arlene Moss confirmed that she would like a semi mature specimen tree in the middle of Heol Johnson, suggesting silver birch, mixed bulbs to be planted and wild flower seeds in the spring, to be funded from Talbot Green project money. The Clerk to take this matter forward.	The Clerk
6a	£264 of Talbot Green project money to aid Talbot Green charitable group with their storage issues. The Clerk to take this matter forward.	The Clerk

7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Write to RCT CBC to oppose the planning application of 28 flats on the site of Southgate Garage, Cross Inn Road, Llantrisant •Check last planning application for signs that the land may be contaminated, and also the LDP. •Send a separate letter to Simon Gale at RCT regarding the lack of information sent to local residents about the Planning Application. 	The Clerk
8c	Book Cllr Allan Matheson and Cllr David Nicholas onto One Voice Wales Conference	The Clerk
8d	Book Clerk onto SLCC National Conference	The Clerk
10	Cllr Julie Barton to write to RCT Local Authority regarding their request for the removal of hanging baskets from smaller lampposts	Cllr Julie Barton
12	Write to retail park to ascertain if they will fund Christmas tree this year	Cllr Arlene Moss
12	Write to Centregreat to request quote for this year's Christmas trees and lights	The Clerk
13	Arrange dog bin and sign for Chartist Road, Llantrisant	The Clerk
14	Write to Cllr Willis, Cllr Morgan and ward members to arrange site meeting	The Clerk
17	Write to Glynne and RCT re disarray on Cardiff Road following tree cutting by Swalec	The Clerk