

GELLIGAER COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES of the MEETING of the GELLIGAER COMMUNITY COUNCIL held on TUESDAY, 8 MAY, 2007, at the COUNCIL OFFICES, LLWYN ONN, PENPEDAIRHEOL.

Present

Chairman – Councillor D Roberts

Councillors A P Angel, D Bolter, Mrs J V Cook, T H Matthews, C Morgan, Mrs J A Pritchard, Mrs M R Richards, G B Shannon and R C Thomas.

Clerk – Mrs A Davies

9 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors R Bevan and G J Hughes, due to prior commitments.

10 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Past Chairman announced that he had visited The Rest, Porthcawl, and had taken lunch with those persons from the community that had been sponsored for one week's holiday. He reported that there had been a positive response with some participants wishing to book at The Rest, for another holiday later in the year.

11 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Interest was declared on Minutes Nos 15, 18 and 25.

12 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 17:04:07 were Received, Confirmed and Signed as a Correct Record.

13 PROPOSED DIVERSION OF FOOTPATH NOS 166 AND 261, GELLIGAER (MINUTE NO 273)

The Clerk reported that following a site meeting and additional information, those Members who were present had raised no objection to the proposed diversion as long as a suitable accessible set of steps was installed near Point B. Also, that the Rights of Way Section enforces the Council's request that all new and existing routes in and around the Gelliargwellt Uchaf Farm are suitably way-marked and easily sited to ensure

that the public has open and directed access across the farm.

RESOLVED that the action be endorsed.

14 CURRENT FINANCIAL SITUATION

Details of the Current Financial Situation of the Council, as at 30:03:07 and 02:05:07, having previously been circulated, were approved.

15 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (Application No 4) THE YOUTH CENTRE, CEFN HENGOED

Councillors D Bolter, Mrs J A Pritchard and R C Thomas declared an interest in this matter and left the Council Chamber taking no part in the discussion nor the ensuing decision.

In supporting facilities for the youth of the Community, it was

RESOLVED that £1,000.00 be granted to The Youth Centre, Cefn Hengoed, to assist with its function, under Section 19 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1976.

16 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (Application No 6) NEW START 4 LIFE

In supporting healthy living within the Community, it was

RESOLVED that £200.00 be granted to the New Start 4 Life, to assist their function, under Section 19 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1976.

17 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (Application No 7) TIRYBERTH OAP ASSOCIATION

In encouraging activities for the senior citizens of the Community, it was

RESOLVED that £150.00 be granted to the Tiryberth OAP Association, to aid their function, under Section 19 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1976.

18 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (Application No 8) YSTRAD MYNACH MALE CHOIR

Councillor Mrs J V Cook declared an interest in this matter as her husband is a Member of the Choir, and took no part in the discussion nor the ensuing decision.

In supporting the arts within the Community, it was

RESOLVED that £300.00 be granted to the Ystrad Mynach Male Choir, to aid their function, under Section 19 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1976.

19 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (Application No 9) FRIENDS OF BRO ALLTA

In supporting opportunities for the youth of the Community, it was

RESOLVED that £140.00 be granted to the Friends of Bro Allta, to aid their function, under Section 19 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1976.

20 PROJECTS

The Project Summary, having previously been circulated, was discussed.

Project No 148 Site meeting imminent.

Project No 143: The provision of a bus to take persons to The Rest to be investigated for the 2008 Sponsored Holidays.

Project No 141 Site meeting imminent.

New Project: Site meeting imminent on the provision of a lay-by at The Bungalows, Hengoed.

New Project: Provision of Football Posts at the Griffiths Street Play Area - CCBC Officer to have the current Kickwall inspected and to reply to the Council's request

New Project: Dog Bin and Refuse Receptacle provision at the Penallta Park Car Park – Dog Bin has been sited but still no Refuse Receptacle. Clerk to inquire.

21 CYDCOED PROJECT WORKING GROUP

The Clerk reported that as part of the Cydcoed Project it had been found necessary to set up a Working Party that would oversee the project and consider matters on a fast track basis. Representation was invited from the Gelligaer CC and the Gelligaer & Penybryn Partnership.

RESOLVED that the three Gelligaer Ward Members and the Clerk represent the Council on the Cydcoed Project Working Group.

22 COMMUNITY 1ST PARTNERSHIPS

Minutes of the following Community 1st Partnership Meetings, having previously been circulated, were noted :-

06:03:07	Tiryberth and Glanynant
27:03:07	Ystrad Mynach

23 LICENCE APPLICATIONS

Details of Licence Applications in respect of weeks ending 20/04/07, 27/04/07 and 04/05/07, having previously been circulated, were noted.

RESOLVED that as the Community Council had no right of consultation and this matter was for information only, it was considered unnecessary to continue to place Licence Applications on the Agenda of future Council Meetings.

24 LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The Preferred Strategy of the Local Development Plan was outlined to Members. The Clerk explained that Members could access the information through a CD Rom or on the CCBC web site. Those Members who did not have PCs could request details from the Clerk.

RESOLVED that the matter be deferred to the next meeting to allow Members to consider the Preferred Strategy and comment on Candidate Sites Isited.

25 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Councillor D Bolter declared an interest in this matter as being a Member of the CCBC Planning Committee and left the meeting, taking no part in the discussion nor the ensuing decisions.

RESOLVED that there be **no objection** to **Planning Application Nos 07/0323/RET, 07/0528/FULL and 07/0545/ADV.**

Planning Application Nos 07/0468/FULL was **not objected to** as long as there will be no loss of visual amenity to adjacent properties and no loss of off-street parking.

Planning Application Nos 07/0541/FULL was **not objected to** as long as there is sufficient off street parking.

Planning Application No 07/0504/TPO was objected to on the grounds that as the Beech Tree had a Preservation Order then the Tree should not be removed. The Council requests that all legislation appertaining to a TPO be strictly adhered to.

The meeting closed at 8.20pm.

