

**PENDOYLAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL
CYNGOR CYMUNED PENDEULWYN**

In view of the current Covid-19 Pandemic it was not possible to hold a formal Meeting of the Pendoylan Community Council. Therefore on 14 May 2020 a remote meeting was held via Zoom.

1. PRESENT: Cllr R Rees (Chair) Cllrs H Hanmer, J Huddart, A Chiplen, G Kellen, Vale Councillor M Morgan and J Roberts (Clerk)

2. APOLOGIES: Cllrs G Thomas, C Hendy and Tredodridge Representative S Parnell

3. WELCOME & FAREWELL: Georgina Kellen was welcomed as a new Councillor and a farewell was said to Andrew Chiplen as this was his last meeting. Thanks for all his hard work and commitment had been expressed and minuted previously

4. MINUTES: The Minutes of the meeting held on 9 April 2020 were approved but not signed

5 . DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None

6. MATTERS ARISING:

(a) VE Day 75 Anniversary Celebrations 8 May 2020: In view of the current situation it was not possible to hold the proposed Tea Party in the War Memorial Hall but it had been suggested that residents sit at the end of their respective drives with a cuppa and cake to celebrate the event provided social distancing was maintained. This event proved really successful and was observed throughout the parish. Thanks were expressed to Rob Rees for erecting the Union Jack on the Church Tower and to Tina Wride for putting bunting around the War Memorial Hall.

(b) Community Mower: The Clerk advised that Mike Edmunds will arrange to obtain and fit a new battery

7. REPORT FROM COMMUNITY POLICE OFFICER: PC Stuart Elson had provided the following crime figures for the parish: April – a Covid-19 breach. There had been a report of a social gathering of 7 people in Pendoylan with one on a motorbike but no persons located by the time the police arrived; Theft of chickens and chicken house at Clawdd Coch and Theft of a wheelbarrow, new metal gate, spade and ladder in Pendoylan. He advised that Sian Rich will be our new PCSO

8. REPORT FROM VALE COUNCILLOR MORGAN:

Cllr Morgan had submitted a comprehensive report as to the Vale Council's current Emergency Measures (this had been circulated to all Councillors)

9. PLANNING: The following applications had been received:

(a) Application for a single storey rear extension to No. 12 Heol St Cattwg, Pendoylan.

(b) Application for a two storey side extension to The Paddock, Clawdd Coch

There were no objections to these applications

10. CORRESPONDENCE: All relevant correspondence received had been forwarded to all Councillors for their information

11. FINANCE/CLERK'S REPORT:

(a) The financial position as at 14 May 2020:

Current Account	£5,616.35
Jubilee Account	<u>24.13</u>
	5,640.48

Carried forward: 5,640.48

Payments to be made:

Zurich Insurance renewal	386.30	
Pendoylan Church grass	300.00	
Bethania Chapel grass	150.00	
A D Williams – Audit	150.00	
A D Williams – Payroll	<u>100.00</u>	<u>1,086.30</u>
Balance in hand:		4,554.18

The above payments were approved and arrangements for obtaining the required two signatures to the cheques were agreed

(b) 2019/2020 Accounts: The Clerk advised that she had received conflicting information/advice from the various authorities over the last 2 months as to what procedures should be adopted to obtain approval of the said Accounts and as to how these could be submitted for internal audit during the present crisis and in view of the fact that it is not possible to hold an AGM. She confirmed she had completed the Accounts and A D Williams had kindly offered to collect all the papers and return them once he had completed the audit. The Accounts will then have to be sent to the Wales Government's Auditors for the final audit but this cannot be done until they are able to return to work. New dates have therefore been set for the finalization of all these matters

12. WEBSITE: C Hendy had confirmed that her husband, Richard, had now set up a new website for the Community Council entitled <http://www.pendoylancommunity.org/newsite/index.html> This had been forwarded to all Councillors for their approval/comments. It was agreed that this was attractive and easy to use and thanks were expressed to Richard. C Hendy also advised that Richard had managed to get next year's website costs free of charge

13. CO-OPTION: The Clerk advised that the Vale Council had instructed that no co-options could take place until further notice

14. ROAD ISSUES:

(a) Proposed new road from J34/M4 to A48: J Huddart enquired what the present position was with regard to this proposal as nothing had been heard from Emma Reed for several months and expressed concerns that everyone in Pendoylan is in limbo. Cllr Morgan said the Council was currently operating under its Emergency Powers but he would make enquiries

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(b) DFS: The Vale Council have confirmed they will take appropriate steps to repair this

15. COVID-19: Jane Hutt AM had issued a Covid-19 Advice & Support newsletter. It was agreed this be put in the next parish magazine

JR

16. SMALL GRANTS SCHEME: It was agreed this be considered as a possible option to pursue

JR

17. COUNCILLORS' ISSUES:

(a) Benches: H Hanmer had asked on the Community Hub for volunteers to treat the benches in the parish until such time as plastic replacements could be obtained. Two people had volunteered but it was ascertained that the current state of the benches was too severe to tackle easily at the present time

(b) Fund Raising: G Thomas had suggested that the Community Council consider using its usual Summer Event to raise money for the NHS. This will be considered further once it is known when community events can be resumed

(c) Pendoylan/Welsh St Donats Trust: A application had been received for a student grant from an applicant who lives on the border of both parishes. As Pendoylan's funds have expired enquiries will be made as to whether Welsh St Donats will accept this application. The Clerk confirmed that a meeting of the Trustees will be arranged in due course to discuss the future of Pendoylan's role in the Trust

(d) Noticeboards: G Kellen had noted that the noticeboard in Hensol had not been updated since 2018. Steps will be taken to rectify this

18. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA: Matters arising from these Minutes. Thanks were expressed to G Kellen for kindly setting up this remote meeting

19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Thursday 11 June 2020