

**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 10 September 2020 at 7.30 pm a remote meeting was held via Zoom.

1. PRESENT: Cllr R Rees (Chair) Cllrs H Hanmer, J Huddart, G Kellen, J Williams, E Carson, C Hendy, Vale Councillor M Morgan and J Roberts (Clerk).

2. APOLOGIES: Cllrs G Thomas and S Parnell

3. MINUTES: The Minutes of the meeting held on 13 August 2020 had been previously circulated and were approved

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None

5. MATTERS ARISING:

(a) Community Mower: The Clerk reported that Mike Edmunds and his son had not yet been able to repair the mower. E Carson stated that he would call on Mike to offer his assistance in this respect **EC**

(b) Dead Tree at the Smithy Crossroads: No action has so far been taken in this regard and further enquiries would be made of the Vale Council **JR**

(c) Pendoylan & Welsh St Donats Trust: The Clerk stated that there had been 5 applications for student grants - all from Welsh St Donats. A reply had been received from the Charity Commission setting out the procedure to enable the name of the Charity to be changed to refer to Welsh St Donats only. The Clerk advised that she has given notice to Welsh St Donats Community Council that she wishes to resign as Secretary but to date there had been no response

6. REPORT FROM COMMUNITY POLICE OFFICER:

A response had finally been received from the Fairwater Neighbourhood Policing Team. PCSO Richard Davies has been assigned to cover Pendoylan Parish. He advised that there had been two incidents in the Parish during the last month, namely, theft of golf clubs from Hensol Academy (3 persons arrested) and a person refusing to leave the Vale Resort (resolved prior to officers' arrival). Cllr Morgan will contact Inspector Miles to ascertain whether it would be possible for a Police representative to attend Community Council meetings via Zoom at the present time as he felt it important that Councillors have an opportunity to voice any concerns they may have **MM**

7. REPORT FROM VALE COUNCILLOR MORGAN:

(a) Proposed new road J34/M4 to A48: (See Item 13(a) below)

(b) Proposed Station J34/M4 (See Item 13(b) below)

(c) Boundary Commission: A new Ward is to be created called St Nicholas & Llancarfan but will not come into effect until 2022

8. PLANNING:

An Application had been received for the construction of a stable block on land off the Hensol Road, Hensol. There were no objections to this application but assurance was to be requested that no residential accommodation be allowed. The Vale Council were to be advised accordingly **JR**

9. MEETINGS: None attended

10. CORRESPONDENCE: All relevant correspondence received had been forwarded to the Members for their information prior to this meeting including one from the Welsh Government regarding Decarbonisation. H Hanmer said this should be retained for future reference.

11. FINANCE/CLERK'S REPORT:

The Clerk advised that she had been awarded a pay rise by NALC of .37p per hour backdated to 1 April 2020. She also advised that A D Williams had requested payment of a further £50 to cover his considerable additional work in regard to the VAT claim. The said payments were unanimously approved.

(a) The financial position as at 10 September 2020 was therefore as follows:

Current Account	£5,768.50
Jubilee Account	<u>24.13</u>
Total	5,792.63

Payments to be made:

J Roberts – Clerk's Salary (Jul-Sept)	£1,074.84	
Back pay 13 weeks @ .37p ph x 6 hrs pw		
(Apr-June)	<u>28.86</u>	
Total (gross)	1,103.70	
Less: Tax	<u>220.80</u>	882.90
HMRC Tax		220.80
Clerk's expenses		61.17
A D Williams additional fee	<u>50.00</u>	<u>1,2,14.87</u>
Balance in hand		£4,577.76

The above payments were approved

(b) **VAT claim:** The Clerk advised that this had been submitted but as yet no payment received (E Carson advised that he might be able to assist when future on line VAT claims are required as he had experience in this regard).

(c) **Change of Bank:** H Hanmer reported that the Co-operative Bank are offering cash incentives to change to their Bank. After much discussion it was agreed that before this is pursued it be ascertained where transactions could be effected locally i.e. Post Offices (Peterston super Ely/Cowbridge) as it is believed Community Councils are unable to bank on line. Confirmation of this to be sought from One Voice Wales **JR**

12. LOCAL PLACES FOR NATURE: H Hanmer advised that she had now planted up the raised flowerbed but several shrubs remain to be planted. She has reserved 3 shrubs for planting around the village. Various bird feeders etc. have been given to the school. A trellis needs to be erected. C Hendy will place a request on the community hub for help in this respect. There also bulbs to come and wild flower seeds. **ALL**

13. ROAD ISSUES:

(a) **Proposed new road from J34/M4 to A48:** The Clerk advised that she had contacted Emma Reed's Assistant, Kyle Phillips, for an update as to when the promised consultation was to commence. She was advised that it hadn't yet been confirmed but would possibly be from 21 September. However, Cllr Morgan advised that he had heard from Emma Reed suggesting another review meeting be held via Zoom on 17 September 2020 at 6pm. Cllr Morgan is to be advised email details of those wishing to attend (only Councillors and Clerk). **JR/MM**

(b) **Proposed Park & Ride & Parkway Station at J34/M4:** : Cllr Morgan had provided details of a Report being submitted to Cabinet on 5 October 2020 to consider the proposal for a station at this junction and to make recommendations for the next steps to be considered under WelTAG Stage 2 Outline Business Case. There were 4 options for a station

- (i) Land south east of the Renishaw Development
- (ii) Land south east of the railway between the railway and River Ely
- (iii) On marsh/wet woodland west of the extant Renishaw development
- (iv) On the existing Renishaw car park site

Location (iv) is the preferred option. The Report will then go to the Scrutiny Committee for consideration.

(c) Road signage at J34/M4: Ken Skates (via Jane Hutt AM) to be advised that the chevrons now need to be removed to avoid further confusion.

14. TREDODRIDGE SPEED ISSUES: In S Parnell's absence no further update in this matter was available. **SP**

15. Website: It was noted that the Community website remains to be updated in respect of (i) the Minutes from February to July (ii) the removal of Andrew Chiplen and Peter Fox. G Kellen, E Carson and J Williams to be added and (iii) Notice of Completion of Audit. It is imperative these documents are on the website as the Welsh Government's Auditors will be checking that these are available. The August Minutes should also now be added. C Hendy said she would ensure Richard attended to these matters forthwith. The Clerk also advised that she had received an email stating that the WCAG 2.1 guidance rules regarding website compliance were coming into effect on the 22 September 2020. C Hendy confirmed Richard would look into this. **JR/CH**

16. TRAINING: The Clerk advised that One Voice Wales were holding virtual training sessions but none so far for Code of Conduct.

17. COUNCILLORS' ISSUES:

(a) The Red Lion Pub: E Carson advised that some residents were concerned regarding the new owner's removal of conifers from the pub's car park without consulting those who would be adversely affected by their removal. H Hanmer added that the new shop/cabin erected in the car park and signage had not met with the approval of most residents. It was therefore agreed that E Carson and J Williams would endeavour to meet with the new owner to (i) ascertain exactly what his plans for the pub are and (ii) to suggest he attend the next Community Council meeting via Zoom and (iii) to make it clear that the Community Council wishes to support him in his new venture. **EC/JW**

(b) Speed concerns: E Carson then raised the issue of the unacceptable speed through the village and expressed a desire to take whatever steps necessary to obtain a 20 mph speed limit. He was advised that attempts had been made in the past to this end without success but it was agreed to support him in this challenge. The Clerk advised that Peterston-super-Ely Community Council had launched a 20mph scheme a couple of years ago and she would arrange to provide him with a copy of the correspondence in that regard and also with Mike Clogg's email address etc. If these further attempts are unsuccessful then it was agreed it would be necessary to consider what mitigation factors could be adopted i.e. speed bumps. **JR/IC**

(c) Council Houses: H Hanmer reported that it had been brought to her attention that the Vale Council were considering cladding the remaining Council houses around the village green. It was agreed this was totally unnecessary as the said houses were of a particularly attractive design (they won an award when built) and singling them out in this way would not only spoil their appearance but would also detract from the other former Council houses. Clarification of the Council's intentions to be sought. **JR**

18. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA: Matters arising from these Minutes.

19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Thursday 8 October 2020. A meeting in the Village Hall for this meeting will be considered nearer the time and a risk assessment prepared. C Hendy said she would help with this.

The Meeting was closed at 9.05 pm with thanks to G Kellen for kindly arranging the current remote meeting.

