

PENDOYLAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL
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A Meeting of Pendoylan Community Council took place at 8 pm on Thursday 10 March 2022 at 8 pm via Zoom

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

2. APOLOGIES: Cllrs E Carson & C Hendy

3. MINUTES: The Minutes of the meeting held on 10 February 2022 were approved as drawn

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None

5. MATTERS ARISING:

(a) Benches:

(i) Commemorative Plaque: H Hanmer kindly offered to obtain this **HH**

(ii) Tredodridge Bench: An email from Sue Parnell in this regard had been circulated to all Members. It was noted that the majority of residents in Tredodridge were in favour of a bench being installed next to the racetrack entrance once ownership of the land in question was established and consent obtained. However, they request a larger bench than those newly installed at Clawdd Coch & on the village green, namely, a 3 seater. It was agreed a bench be provided for Tredodridge out of the 2022/23 budget but that they be advised the amount agreed for the replacement benches in the parish was £350.00 each + installation costs and therefore any additional funding for a larger bench would have to be found elsewhere. In any event it was to be stressed that the bench must be a composite one to avoid future maintenance expenses **JR**

(b) Community Council's Annual Report: This has to be published asap after 1 April 2022 and it was agreed to hold a separate meeting in this respect. The Clerk would arrange this **JR**

(c) Village On Street Charging Point: The Clerk had consulted One Voice Wales as agreed and Paul Egan will ascertain whether there are any initiatives planned in this respect and whether funding available. His further response is awaited. Meanwhile H Hanmer had obtained details of a Company who can fund, install & operate public EV charge points & J Williams would make enquiries regarding other possibilities **HH/JW**

(d) Free Tree: The Vale Council have confirmed they will be providing a free tree for Pendoylan Parish shortly. A decision as to where this is to be planted will be made once it is known what kind of tree is being provided **ALL**

6. REPORT FROM COMMUNITY POLICE OFFICER: PCSO Richard Davies advised that in January last there had been 1 x crime related occurrence in the parish, namely: an abusive driver passing horse rider at Brynhelygen Lane, Clawdd Coch and in February a theft from a motor vehicle at Hensol Castle Park, Hensol and fire damage at J34, M4 but no details provided in this regard

7. REPORT FROM VALE COUNCILLOR MORGAN:

(a) Rural Roads Policy: Cllr Morgan advised details of a Resolution made at the Cabinet meeting on 28 February namely that:

"The comments of the Environment and Regeneration and Scrutiny Committee and subsequent comments from Councillor Morgan be noted and considered further by the next Administration as part of an authority-wide traffic management and road safety policy that linked with both the 20mph default speed limit and plans for greater active travel opportunities."

He considered this to be some progress towards making all our roads safer but the pressure must be maintained from our communities to keep this high on the agenda for the next administration after the May elections.

(b) Council Tax: There will be a 2.9 per cent increase in Council Tax for 2022/23. Cllr Morgan advised that the Vale Council had no option but to increase Council Tax for 2022/23 by 2.9 per cent as they cannot use their reserves in view of the uncertain future.

8. PLANNING:

Applications had been received for a single storey kitchen extension at Clawdd Coch Cottages, Pendoylan and for alterations & extensions to Cross House, Clawdd Coch, Pendoylan.

Members had no objection to these Applications.

The Application for a 2 storey extension at 16 Heol St Cattwg, Pendoylan was approved Cllr Morgan advised that the Planning Application for 3 yurts at Hillside, Pendoylan is still awaiting consultation reports.

9. MEETINGS:

J Roberts advised that she had attended a meeting with pupils from Pendoylan school Paula Vaughan having requested a representative of the Community Council to be present. A representative from Citizens UK was also present. He is visiting schools across the Vale to try to inspire children to be community minded. When the children were asked what they would like to improve Pendoylan they said they wanted a 20 mph speed limit past the school, more parking places for parents, more equipment for older children in the playpark and less litter in the village. J Roberts advised them about the intention to involve Jane Hutt MS with regard to the speed issues and Paula suggested that if Jane did come to a meeting in the village that the school be included so the children could voice their concerns about the speed. With regard to community engagement Paula advised she is proposing the school hold a community event – a tea party in the school grounds the week BEFORE the Jubilee event

10. CORRESPONDENCE: The following documents were noted:

(a) Nextdoor Pendoylan Community Hub: This has been set up by a resident of Hensol and invitations to join had been sent to parishioners. However, it was agreed this seemed unnecessary as Pendoylan Community Hub/Noticeboard was already in place to serve the needs of the parish

(b) VOG Election – Candidates Pack, Handbook & pre-election guidance

(c) Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Report

(d) OVW – Bank Phishing Scan. It was agreed this be put in the Parish Magazine **JR**

(e) OVW News Bulletin

(f) Town Sq Co-work Local re: Y Cwt, Pendoylan – It was noted they required the Community Council to promote this but H Hanmer advised that this not necessary as community engagement had already been carried out. She would contact Town Sq and notify them accordingly **HH**

(g) S Wales Police – Community conversations in the Vale of Glamorgan

(h) VOG – Business Support Newsletter

11. FINANCE/CLERK'S REPORT:

(a) Clerk's Salary: J Roberts advised that NALC had confirmed an increase in her salary of £0.25p per hour backdated to 1 April 2021. This payment was duly approved

(b) Current Position:

Current Account			£5,823.23
Payments to be made:			
J Roberts – Salary (Jan-Mar)	£1,124.76		
Back pay 52 weeks @ £0,25 ph x 6 hrs pw	<u>78,00</u>		
	1,202.76		
Less Tax	<u>240.40</u>	962.36	
HMRC Tax on Salary		240.40	
Clerk's expenses		94.52	
Bernard Jenkins – fencing		190.63	
OVW Subs		<u>85.00</u>	<u>1,572.91</u>
Balance in hand			£4,250.32

(c) 2020/2021 Accounts: The Clerk advised that following her recent complaint to Wales Audit that these Accounts had still not been signed off she received an email from Deryck Evans at Audit Wales enclosing the signed off Accounts but no explanation as to the delay occasioned or an apology for the inordinate delay. These now have to be displayed on the Community Website **JR**

(d) 2021/2022 Accounts: It was agreed that A D Williams be appointed as Internal Auditor for these Accounts

12. ROAD ISSUES:

(a) Letter to Jane Hutt MS: The suggested amendments to the letter to Jane Hutt were approved and this will now be sent to her and copied into Cllr Morgan and also to Paula Vaughan **JR**

(b) Rural Road Policy: See Item 7(a) above

13. QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE: Further discussions took place regarding an event in Pendoylan to mark this occasion. It was agreed this be held on the village green on Saturday 11 June 2022 and the Clerk would seek permission for this from the Vale Council A request for ideas for the event are to be requested via Pendoylan Community Hub and a meeting with representatives from the other organizations in the village to be arranged. In the meantime J Williams would contact the person who provided the bouncy castle at last summer's event to see what else he could provide **HH/JW**

14. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS: It was agreed to meet at Y Cwt, Pendoylan on 16 March 2022 at 7.45 pm to discuss the forms and to enable those Councillors wishing to stand for election on 5 May 2022 to complete the same. These have to be hand delivered or sent electronically to reach the Vale Council by 4 pm on 5 April 2022. J Huddart and R Rees advised that they would not be standing for further election.

15. COUNCILLORS' ISSUES: H Hanmer enquired whether it would be possible for the community orchard to be purchased from the Vale Council to protect it from future development. However it was confirmed that the Community Council has a tenancy over the allotment site which includes the community orchard and therefore has some protection.

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

17. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: It was agreed this be held on the earlier date of **Tuesday 12 April 2022 at 8 pm** to accommodate those Councillors who would be unavailable on the usual date. This meeting would be via zoom unless advised otherwise

The Meeting was closed at 9.30 pm with thanks to Georgina Kellen for arranging the zoom