

**PENDOYLAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL
CYNGOR CYMUNED PENDEULWYN**

A Meeting of Pendoylan Community Council took place on Tuesday 13 October 2022 at 8.00 pm via Zoom

1. PRESENT: Cllr James Williams (Chair), Cllrs Hilary Hanmer, Georgina Kellen, Mali Tudno Jones, Roibert Rees, Charlotte Wride and Vale Councillor M Morgan and Judith Roberts (Clerk)

2. APOLOGIES: Cllr Eoin Carson

3 MINUTES: The Minutes of the meeting held on 14 July 2022 having been previously circulated were approved as drawn. NB: No meeting was held in August and the September meeting was cancelled in view of the death of HM Queen Elizabeth II

4 . DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None

5. MATTERS ARISING:

(a) Benches:

(i) Commemorative Plaque: H Hanmer had obtained this & J Williams will arrange to affix the same to the new bench on the village green **JW**

(ii) Tredodridge Bench: Correspondence had been received from Sue Parnell advising that ownership of the proposed site for the bench could not be established & was therefore deemed "no man's land". She will therefore obtain an installation quote & advised that a donation towards the cost of the bench would be made by a previous Tredodridge resident who would like a plaque on the bench to commemorate his family's connection with Tredodridge which spanned a hundred years. There was no objection to this provided it also recorded that the bench was also part funded by the Community Council. It was agreed that details of the proposed bench be supplied to the Community Council for prior approval. **JR**

(b) Village On Street Charging Point: It was agreed to hold any action in this regard as it is hoped funding may become available

(c) Playpark: Materials to repaint some of the equipment have finally been received from the Vale Council and local volunteers have been found to carry this out. However, it was agreed it was too late in the year to do this work which will now have to wait until next Spring.

(d) Community Mower & Blower: After much discussion it was proposed by C Wride that the mower & trailer be sold and the proceeds used to purchase a marquee for village functions. This was seconded by H Hanmer and unanimously agreed. H Hanmer would contact Elyas in the first instance as he had expressed an interest in purchasing the said mower. It was hoped this would fetch sufficient funds to cover the cost of a marquee. It was believed that Jason Welsh had the leaf blower and it was agreed this should be returned to the community locker **HH/JR**

6. REPORT FROM COMMUNITY POLICE OFFICER: PCSO Richard Davies reported that there had been 1 case of fraudulent use of a bank card at Hensol. 2 persons had been arrested

7. REPORT FROM VALE COUNCILLOR MORGAN:

(a) On 21st September Vale Councillor Michael Morgan met with Cabinet member Bronwen Brooks Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Sustainable Places and Emma Reed the Head of Neighbourhood Services and Transport and had a useful discussion concerning the safety and management of rural roads and this is an exchange that will continue. The Vale will be introducing 20mph limits in accordance with the Welsh

Government proposed legislation in 2023 which will reduce the speed limit from 30mph to 20mph on restricted roads across Wales. There are no plans to introduce reduced speed limits on the lanes which are currently subject to the national speed limit of 60 mph. This is an issue that must be addressed further – particularly where the lanes pass residential frontages. The Vale are limited by Welsh Government legislation and it may be the case that the government should be lobbied to review speed limits in the lanes. Also discussed were better road signage to warn of pedestrians, horses etc and a review of warnings at junctions.

NB: The Community Council has received an invitation from the Vale Council's Emma Reed for one representative to attend an on line consultation on 22 November 2022 regarding the proposed roll out of a 20 mph speed restriction. It was agreed E Carson to attend if possible

JR

8. MEETINGS: None attended

9. PLANNING:

(a) Approvals for the following applications had been granted:

Application for a ground floor extension at 40 Heol St Cattwg, Pendoylan

Application for a side and rear extension at 1 Castell Bach Cottages, Clawddd Coch

Application for change of use from storage building to 2 Air BnB units at Duffryn Llof Farm, Tredodridge

Application for dormer extension over garage at 3 Heol Ty Mawr, Pendoylan

(b) Notice of a Pre-Application Consultation received for a proposed solar farm & Battery Energy Storage System at Oaklands Farm, Near Bonvilston.

(c) No. 7 Heol St Cattwg: Questions were raised **(i)** as to why the Community Council has never received notification of the retrospective planning consent and **(ii)** how the Vale Council justified the expenditure on its refurbishment and was best value for money obtained? It had been noted the Contractors were there for an inordinate amount of time including weekends and bank holidays. It was agreed Cllr Morgan be requested to make enquiries in this respect

JR/MM

10. CORRESPONDENCE: The following documents were noted:

(a) Croeso Welcome Survey: The Vale Council has plans to develop a Warm Spaces scheme to provide residents in the Vale with a network of community spaces that offer a warm and inviting place to come together this winter at no cost and that offer a "Warm Welcome" to different parts of our communities. Details of this survey to be sent to H Hanmer for her consideration

JR

(b) VOG Standards Committee: It was noted that a representative from the Standards Committee will once again be attending a meeting of the Pendoylan Community Council. Further details awaited

(c) Places for Nature Noticeboards: It was agreed noticeboards explaining why some communal areas are being left wild would be welcomed & a grant in this respect be sought

JR

- (d) **Care & Repair Cardiff & Vale Poster:** This to be exhibited in the Parish Magazine JR
 (e) Energy Scam Text & Link to fake UK Gov website: Ditto
 (f) WG – Sec 6 biodiversity & ecosystem resilience duty and Resources information: It was suggested this be sent to Georgia Thomas for her information JR
 (g) **OVW – Building resilient spaces - on line nature Conference 27 October 2022** from 10 am – 4 pm. H Hanmer & M Tudno Jones expressed an interest in attending this JR

11. FINANCE/CLERK'S REPORT:

(a) **Current Account as at 13 October 2022:** £6,262.01
 (includes precept received August 2022 in sum of £2,552.00)

Less :

J Roberts – Salary (July-Sept)			
13 weeks @ £14.67 ph x 6 hrs pw	£1,144.26		
Less Tax	<u>228.75</u>	915.51	
HMRC Tax on Salary		228.75	
Clerk's expenses		97.14	
John Hanmer		155.00	
VOG Election recharges		14.94	
Wales Audit charge 20/21	<u>297.00</u>		<u>1,708.34</u>
			£4,553.67
Add: Refund from SSE re Xmas lighting			<u>541.69</u>
Balance			£5,095.36

Payments to be made:

H Hanmer – bench plaque	£40.00		
Information Commissioner annual fee	<u>40.00</u>	80.00	
Balance in hand			£5,015.36

The above payments were approved

(b) **SSE Christmas Lighting 2021:** The Clerk advised that after a long standing battle with SSE & Western Power (June-October) the situation regarding the erroneous invoice in the sum of £575.32 had been resolved resulting in confirmation that this should have been for £33.63 and a refund of £541.69 has now been received.

(c) **2021/22 Accounts:** The Clerk had received an email from Audit Wales claiming Pendoylan's Accounts had not been submitted. These had been sent in August last & Audit Wales notified accordingly & an apology subsequently received confirming receipt. However, the sign off is still awaited

(d) **Declarations of Acceptance:** It was noted some are outstanding and the Clerk will endeavour to obtain these asap JR

12. ROAD ISSUES:

(a) Proposed 20 mph Speed Limit in Wales: Item 7(a) refers

(b) The Vale Council are to be requested to :

- (i) replace the signage at Tyn y Planca/Pendoylan Road junction
- (ii) clear foliage from Weight Limit Sign at Tyn y Planca
- (iii) clear foliage from directional signage at Hangman's Corner (Miskin/Hensol)

(iv) provide a “ No to Satnav” sign at Tyn y Planca to prevent large vehicles accessing the lane to Pendoylan & beyond

(v) Restore the brown local business signs at J34/M4

(c) Sheep on the road at Tyn y Planca: Sheep believed to be on tack are being kept on land at Tyn y Planca and constantly straying onto the road causing a hazard to motorists. Cllr Morgan is to be requested to report this to the Vale Council **JR/MM**

13. TRAINING: G Kellen confirmed she would be able to attend Code of Conduct Training on 17 October 2022. The Clerk would make appropriate arrangements **JR**

14. REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY: The Remembrance Service would be held on 13 November 2022 at 10.55 am at St Cadoc’s Church, Pendoylan. J Williams confirmed he would be available to present the Community Council’s wreath which G Kellen kindly agreed to collect from Cowbridge Town Hall prior thereto. It was agreed the Remembrance “Tommy” would be displayed in the village as last year **ALL**

15. CULVERT: It was agreed the boundary hedge should be cut back to avoid the possibility of the leaves causing flooding. John Hanmer would be contacted in this respect **HH**

16. CHRISTMAS EVENT: It was agreed this be held on Friday 2 December 2022 at 6 pm on the village green. M Tudno Jones advised she had a small caravan which could be decorated to resemble a Grotto. She would ascertain whether Steve O’Donnell would be available to be Father Christmas again. The Clerk would contact the Vale Council regarding use of the village green and arrange for the provision of lighting with Western Power **MTJ/JR**

17. ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES: It was agreed to ascertain whether Georgia Thomas would be able to attend the Community Council’s next meeting in November and Cllr Morgan be contacted for a response regarding the complaints regarding the upsetting enforcement letters **JR**

18. VOG – MEMORIAL TREE: The Vale Council have advised they hope to make this available as soon as possible

19. COUNCILLORS’ ISSUES:

(a) Wildflower Meadow: E Carson had suggested combining the community orchard area with a wildflower meadow. It was agreed this was a nice idea but this had been done many years ago which had not met with local approval

(b) Website: The Clerk advised that at present the Community Council was not compliant with the Welsh Government’s website requirements. M Tudno Jones advised she would be prepared to assist should Richard Hendy no longer wish to be responsible for this **JR**

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

21. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: The next meeting would held on 10 November 2022 at 8 pm via zoom

The Meeting was then closed at 21.45 pm with thanks to G Kellen for arranging the zoom link.