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**PENDOYLAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL
CYNGOR CYMUNED PENDEULWYN**

A Meeting of Pendoylan Community Council took place on Thursday 3 August 2023 at 8.00 pm at Y Cwt, Longacre Farm, Pendoylan

1. PRESENT: Cllr Georgina Kellen (Chair), Cllrs Hilary Hanmer, Robert Rees, Eoin Carson, James Williams and Judith Roberts (Clerk)

2. APOLOGIES: Cllrs M Tudno Jones, C Wride & C Hendy

3. MINUTES: The Minutes of the meeting held on 13 July 2023 were approved as drawn and signed

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None

5. MATTERS ARISING:

(a) Community Choir: It was agreed a taster event would take place at 7 pm on 26 September 2023 at Y Cwt (recruitment for this suggested to take place at the Summer Event on 2nd September)

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(b) Playpark: The equipment remains to be painted
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(c) Community Council Container: H Hanmer is awaiting a call back from Tools with a Mission to confirm what items they would be prepared to accept
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(d) Allotments: The items of rubbish remain to be removed & details of a Waste Collector are to be provided to the Clerk when she will arrange collection. Dumping of grass cuttings into the allotments is to be discouraged. After much discussion it was agreed not to advertise the availability of the remaining allotments at the present time.
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(f) Marquee: The damage occasioned to some of the poles was examined by the Members present when it was agreed this should not prevent its further use

6. Police Report: None received to date

7. Report from Cllr Michael Morgan: None available due to his continuing ill health. Best wishes for his speedy recovery have been sent to him

8. MEETINGS:

(a) OVW- H Hanmer attended the meeting on 24 July 2023 and reported on the following:

(i) Presentation by Ian Robinson on sustainability development at VOG. Delivery of the new LDP has been delayed and has not yet been submitted to WG. VOG has been identified as a growth area and candidate sites are currently being assessed with none decided yet. Consultations will take place in December 2023. All developments are obligated to address the biodiversity of the site and there has to be an identified need.

2 new conservation staff have been recruited and will commence in September.

(ii) All community councils should have a policy for bullying and intimidation, especially as it is an increasing problem for some councils and is reflected in a shortage of candidates for elections. OVW has a toolkit to be used by councils regarding policies to adopt.

(iii) The question as to why OVW does not hold hybrid meetings arose. There was a question of appropriate resources and meeting places. Their clerk is investigating this.

(iv) OVW has recruited a new communications officer!

(b) Pethau Bychain - Places for Nature: H Hanmer had attended a meeting on 25 July 2023 and reported as follows:

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(i) All councils and public bodies have a responsibility to deliver a report under Section 6 of the Environment Act. Pendoylan Community Council's 2 environmental reports should therefore be on the website. The next report will be due in 2025. The environment should be on every agenda. The report should state the population and precept and comments on any environmental planning issues that cause concern.

(ii) Signage in the form of information boards are to be encouraged in the communities

9. PLANNING:

Applications had been received for the following:

(a) Renewal of planning consent for conversion & refurbishment of existing detached outbuilding to provide garden office/occasional guest bedroom facilities at Caer Wigau Uchaf Farm, Pendoylan Road, Pendoylan (plus LBC application)

(b) Application for loft conversion at 5 Heol St Cattwg, Pendoylan

(c) Re-siting of telegraph pole opposite 3 Heol St Cattwg, Pendoylan

The Members had no objection to the above applications

10. CORRESPONDENCE: The following documents were noted:

(a) OVW - Nature Networks Map

(b) "Thanks for 20" August newsletter

(c) VOG - Report from Carol Price re: Rural Housing in Wick. She referred to a report from Wick Community Council's Clerk who stated that the Local Lettings/Sales Policy there has resulted in young people who grew up in the village being housed on the new estate and other positive outcomes

(d) VOG - Standards Committee Annual Report. The criticisms of Community Council Meetings generally were duly noted

11. FINANCE/CLERK'S REPORT:

(a) Present position:

Current

£5,133.36

Account

Payments to be made:

Pendoylan Church 300.00

Bethania Chapel 150.00

J Roberts - printer ink

53.28

503.28

Balance

in

hand

4,630.08

(b) Insurance: The Clerk advised that she had contacted Zurich regarding the increased value of the Chain of Office (from £2,500 to £6,000). Unfortunately this has negated the current policy which does not cover items over £2,500. A new policy has therefore to be arranged. Zurich require further information to this end which the Clerk is arranging to provide. An increase in the premium is anticipated

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(c) 2022/23 Accounts: The Clerk is arranging to submit these to Wales Audit

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12. ROAD ISSUES:

(a) 20mph speed limit:

Lee Waters MS, the Deputy Minister for Climate Change was present at a recent "Thanks for 20" zoom meeting, answering many questions on the politics, implementation and marketing of 20mph. He stated that it was entirely up to local authorities to set 30mph exceptions, but they are required to follow due protocol in any Traffic Regulation Orders to do so. These could be challenged by members of the public. Sunday September 17th is the go-live date for 20mph as the Welsh national default limit speed limit for community roads in villages, towns and cities.

(b) Public Transport: The Clerk had contacted Cllr Bronwen Brooks as agreed to enquire whether she would be prepared to address the Community Council at a zoom meeting regarding local bus issues but no response received to date

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(c) Cross House, Clawdd Coch: A complaint has been received that the laurel hedge now planted along the property's main road boundary will in a few years adversely interfere with the vision splays onto an adopted highway. The Vale Council to be advised accordingly

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13. TRAINING: Details of the forthcoming remote Training Sessions had been circulated to all Members

14. SUMMER EVENT: "A Picnic on the Green". This is to take place on Saturday 2 September 2023 on the village green from 2-4 pm & the marquee to be erected in case of inclement weather. Everyone to be requested to bring a picnic & chair. It was agreed to book "Tiny Groovers" at a cost of £140 and J Williams had arranged for the Ice Cream van to call. There is to be a cake stall, activity table for the children, fancy dress, face painting and tug of war (the School has the rope).

G Kellen kindly offered to provide a flier to advertise this event

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JW/GK

15. BENCHES: H Hanmer will research the availability and cost of composite benches to replace the one opposite the Red Lion in the first instance

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16. BILINGUAL POLICY: Examples of Bilingual Policies had been obtained and H Hanmer will review these to advise regarding the formation of one specifically for Pendoylan Community Council

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17. COUNCILLORS' ISSUES: None

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

19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: The Meeting was closed at 9.30 pm with thanks to H Hanmer for use of Y Cwt. It was agreed to hold the next Meeting on **7 September 2023** as several Members would be unable to attend the following week. The meeting would be held via zoom