

PENDOYLAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL
CYNGOR CYMUNED PENDEULWYN

A Meeting of Pendoylan Community Council took place on Thursday 13 February 2025 at 7.30 pm via zoom

1. PRESENT: Cllr Claire Hendy (Chair) Cllrs Robert Rees, Peter Watson, Hilary Hanmer, Judith Roberts (Clerk) and Vale Councillor Michael Morgan

2. APOLOGIES: Cllrs Charlotte Wride, Mali Tudno Jones, Georgina Kellen and Domonic Blizsko

3. MINUTES: The Minutes of the meeting held on 7 January 2025 having been previously circulated were approved as drawn.

5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None

6. MATTERS ARISING:

(a) Best Kept Village sign: R Rees confirmed this is now in his workshop awaiting painting and will be erected shortly **RR**

(b) Church Garage: The Community Council are unable to take up occupation until this has been vacated and cleared on behalf of the previous tenant. Further advice is awaited in this respect

(c) Review of Senedd Constituencies: The Clerk confirmed that she had lodged the Community Council's objection regarding the proposed merger of the Vale of Glamorgan with Bridgend. A decision is expected at the end of March 2025

(d) Covid Day of Reflection 9 March 2025. A discussion took place as to whether the Community Council should mark this as members of the parish had been lost due to Covid. It was agreed that J Roberts would liaise with P Watson to discuss how best to mark this event **JR/PW**

7. POLICE REPORT: PCSO Richard Davies advised that there were no reported incidents in the Parish in January 2025

8. REPORT FROM VALE CLLR MICHAEL MORGAN:

(a) Waste Bins – Cllr Morgan stated that concerns had been raised regarding the Vale Council's sudden decision to remove all community waste bins. This decision had been made without any prior consultation. He was advised that Pendoylan Parish residents were also incensed about this action as it will inevitably result in yet more litter being left around the parish. Cllr Morgan said he would add Pendoylan's objections to those of Peterston's and would pass these onto the Vale Council. **JR/MM**

(b) Council Tax – Cllr Morgan advised that a 6.9 percent increase in Council Tax is expected for 2025/26. He gave details as to how the Vale Council's budget for the next tax year of £331m is allocated

(c) Road issues – With regard to a resident's complaints concerning the state of roads and overgrown hedges from Apple Tree Cottage to the forestry, Cllr Morgan stated that he would endeavour to drive around that area shortly to assess the problem. **MM**

He would also chase the Vale Council to repaint the white lines at the Logwood and surrounding area. The Clerk advised that the Vale Council had promised to repaint the white lines at The Smithy crossroads 18 months ago but this has still not been attended to **MM**

(d) Road closures – Cllr Morgan agreed to contact the Vale Council to complain regarding the short notice/no notice of road closures in the parish and the poor diversion signs. He would query as to whether these sudden road closures are real emergencies as they are causing great inconvenience to local businesses, road users and the bus service. **MM**

9. MEETINGS:

(a) One Voice Wales: Cllr Hanmer had been unable to attend as it was an in person meeting and impossible for her to get to Cowbridge by 7 pm

(b) Community Liaison Committee: Cllr Wride had been unable to attend the meeting on 30 January 2025

10. PLANNING:

(a) The Application for revision of previously approved application to rebuild rear retaining wall 0.5m higher and raise garden level behind and reconstruct boundary wall to side of property and additional side window to en suite at 3 Heol St Catwg, Pendoylan had been approved

(b) Red Lion: It is believed the application for change of use to a private dwelling and to build a house in the car park has been approved but no formal confirmation has yet been received.

11. CORRESPONDENCE: The following documents were noted:

(a) Allotment Survey. The Clerk confirmed she had completed this on behalf of the Community Council

(b) One Voice Wales – Minutes of the January meeting

(c) OVW – Area Committee Survey. This is to ascertain how attendance at meetings could be improved. The closing date is 28 February 2025

(d) Community Liaison Committee Questions 30 January 2025. It was noted that certain questions were raised at this meeting concerning an incident in Dinas Powys when a fire hydrant failure was reported. It was clarified this was a false report as no hydrant was needed or used. It was confirmed that all hydrants are regularly checked.

12. FINANCE/CLERK'S REPORT:

Current Account as at 13 February 2025:

		£7320.54
Less outstanding payments		<u>318.15</u>
		7002.39
Less payments to be made:		
Easyspace	95.53	
Howell Adams Engineering	<u>72.00</u>	<u>167.53</u>
Balance in hand:		6834.86

The above payments were approved

The Clerk advised that an invoice from Audit Wales has yet to be received

13. ALLOTMENTS: It was agreed the Clerk ascertain which of the current holders wish to continue . If there will be unused allotments then this is to be advertised in the parish magazine/community hub inviting anyone interested to contact the Clerk

JR

14. TRAINING: The Clerk to arrange induction training for P Watson in March 2025 .

JR

15. ROAD ISSUES: (See Item 8(d) above)

16. COUNCILLORS ISSUES:

(a) Pendoylan School : It was noted that Paula Vaughan would be retiring as Head of Pendoylan School at Easter. It was agreed that a letter/card be sent to her thanking her for her time at the school and wishing her well. It is understood that Emma Harris will be Acting Head and Alex Parry Acting Deputy Head.

JR

(b) Community Council Whats App to be amended to include P Watson

JR/GK

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

18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: It was agreed to hold the next meeting on Thursday 13 March 2025 at 7.30pm via zoom

The Meeting was closed at 8.25 pm