

**PENDOYLAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL
CYNGOR CYMUNED PENDEULWYN**

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

- 1. PRESENT:** Cllr Georgina Kellen (Chair) Cllrs Robert Rees, Peter Watson, Domonic Bliszko, Hilary Hanmer and Judith Roberts (Clerk) and Vale Councillor Michael Morgan
2. APOLOGIES: Cllrs Charlotte Wride, Mali Tudno Jones and Claire Hendy
3. MINUTES: The Minutes of the meeting held on 13 February 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 some amendment when it 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.

(c) Allotments: The Clerk advised that there will be space in the allotments for hire and will advertise this in the parish magazine. P Watson suggested perhaps the School might be interested in taking up some space for children's projects. It was agreed to approach the new Acting Head in this regard. **JR**

H Hanmer suggested creating a community composting area within the allotments but although a good idea it was agreed this would have to be carefully managed to avoid abuse i.e. dumping of waste etc

7. POLICE REPORT: PCSO Richard Davies advised that there was just one reported incident in the Parish during February, namely, a vehicular anti-social behaviour at Clawdd Coch, Pendoylan but no suspects identified

8. REPORT FROM VALE CLLR MICHAEL MORGAN:

(a) Council Tax: Cllr Morgan advised that a 5.9 per cent increase has now been confirmed for 2025/26 and not 6.9 per cent as previously advised

(b) Road issues - Surprise Road Closures: He agreed that these are becoming more and more of a problem for residents, businesses etc in the Parish. Retrospective consents are also becoming more frequent and he agreed to contact the Vale Council to ascertain whether these are real emergencies (for which they are not required to give notice) or simply bad planning. However, on the plus side, it is good our roads are at least being repaired **MM**

He advised that he had driven around the lanes in the parish but had not noticed any issues

(c) Rural Transport: Cllr Morgan felt strongly that the community needs to get involved with Transport Consultations and recommend that a shuttle be provided to enable the local community to benefit from the excellent half-hourly X2 bus service on the A48 to Cardiff or Cowbridge & beyond.

9. MEETINGS: None attended

10. PLANNING:

Applications:

- (a) Proposed 2 storey front extension, new dormers & first floor extension above existing flat roof and over-cladding and window adjustments at Ty Cadno, Pont Sam Lane, Clawdd Coch

- (b) Proposed demolition of existing garage and relocation/construction of a new garage and creation of a turning area also at Ty Cadno
 - (c) To alter windows within the south wing of the Vale Hospital Wedding Venue, Hensol Castle Park, Hensol
 - (d) Proposed redevelopment of Warren Mill Farm Park to include 3 no. bell tents, 2 no. woodland lodges, 1 no. stretch tent, 1 no. midi Tipi awning education area also retention, extension and upgrading to existing café
- The Members had no objection to the above applications

Approvals:

- (e) Change of use of Red Lion to a single detached dwelling and the division of the site to erect a single detached dwelling to the rear of the car park
It is expected further planning details of these properties will be received in due course

11. CORRESPONDENCE: The following documents were noted:

- (a) Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Annual Report 2025-26
- (b) OVW – 3 Development Notes (i) Organising a successful event (b)(ii) Asset Register (iii) Meetings Administration
- (c) WG – Use of General Powers of Competence
- (d) Senedd Report on the Role, Governance & Accountability of Community & Town Council Sector. It was noted that the Auditor General for Wales agreed there was a need for revisiting their system & that those Community Councils with under £10k income could perhaps be based on internal audits with occasional intervention by Audit Wales
- (e) Merger of the Vale of Glamorgan UK Parliamentary constituency with Bridgend UK Parliamentary constituency- final determinations: The Democracy and Boundary Commission Cymru has published its Final Determinations for the 2026 Review of Senedd constituencies. These new constituencies will take effect automatically at the 2026 Senedd election. Therefore the merger of the Vale of Glamorgan UK Parliamentary constituency with Bridgend UK Parliamentary constituency will take place despite the objections lodged. This new constituency will be known as **Pen-y-Bont Morgannwg**

12. FINANCE/CLERK'S REPORT:

(a) Current Account as at 13 March 2025: **£7,002.30**

Less outstanding payments :

Easyspace	95.53	
Howell Adams	<u>72.00</u>	<u>167.53</u>
		6,834.86

Payments to be made:

J Roberts salary (Jan-March)		
13 weeks @ £17.29 ph x 6 hrs pw	1348.62	
Less Tax:	<u>269.60</u>	1,079.02
HMRC Tax on Salary		269.60
J Roberts – expenses (Jan-March)		58.40
VOG – Allotment rent		1.00
OVW Subs 2025		<u>102.00</u>
		<u>1,510.02</u>
Balance in hand		£5,324.84

The above payments were approved

(b) Lloyds Bank

The Clerk advised that Lloyds Bank will now be charging an account maintenance fee of £4.25 per month together with 50p for each cheque paid in and out. The Clerk will contact their Business Banking Dept to endeavour to obtain an exemption in this respect

(c) Financial year end 31 March 2025: The Clerk will provide end of year accounts asap after 31 March 2025 ready for the internal audit. It was agreed Tony Williams be appointed in this respect JR

14. TRAINING: P Watson confirmed he had attended the Code of Conduct Training on 11 March 2025. The Clerk will now arrange for him to attend the New Councillor Induction training on a date to be agreed JR/PW

15. BENCH: It was agreed to replace the second bench on the village green with a recycled 3 seater bench. The cost of this would be £295.00 (and VAT if applicable) which expenditure was unanimously agreed. H Hanmer would order this and ascertain how much it would cost to affix the same HH

16. ROAD ISSUES: (See Item 8(b) above)

17. COUNCILLORS ISSUES:

(a) Y Cwt: H Hanmer expressed concerns that people are parking across the lane leading to Y Cwt causing inconvenience to traffic endeavouring to leave & access Y Cwt. This also applied to farmers for access their land and Welsh Water who need regular access to the sewage facility. The Vale Council had previously advised her that if Y Cwt wanted double white lines across the said lane then this was something they would have to arrange. However, the lane is owned by the Vale Council although unadopted and Cllr Morgan confirmed he would ascertain who should be contacted to pursue this request. MM

(b) Dog Litter: Concerns had been raised regarding the increasing amount of dog poo bags being left in the fields above Pendoylan Village. These will never rot down and dog owners are to be asked to take their pet's poo bags home. A notice to this effect would be placed on the Community Hub and in the parish magazine. It was also agreed that Valeways be contacted to ascertain whether this is becoming a problem generally & enquiring whether they have notices that can be placed on public footpaths advising dog walkers to take their dog poo bags home GK/JR

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

19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: It was agreed to hold the next meeting on Thursday 10 April 2025 at 7.30pm via zoom

The Meeting was closed at 9.00 pm