

CLYDACH COMMUNITY COUNCIL FULL COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Community Council Meeting held on 8th July 2014.

The meeting convened at the Community Hall at 7:00 p.m. present:

Cllrs. J Davies (Chair), P. Morgan, P Dalling, B. Gardiner, M. Bowmer, K Bevan, N Morrison, G. Richards, R Jenkins, L Jenkins and G Walker.

91/2014: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Apologies were received on behalf of Cllrs D Owen and I Whitehurst.

92/2014: DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: Cllrs Morgan and Davies declared an interest in respect of the discussions relating to Graigfele Community Hall and Cllr Walker declared an interest in respect of all planning matters.

93/2014: POLICE REPORT: No report was available from the Police. The initial Blue Light Disco was very successful and it was agreed that as the Police budget is limited the next disco would be arranged free of charge. The next PACT meeting has been arranged for Friday 15th August @ 6-30pm.

94/2014: DEVELOPMENT TRUST/COMMUNITIES FIRST REPORT: There have been no developments and the Clerk was instructed to contact Sara Crawley for an update.

95/2014: TEN MINUTE PERIOD FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS COUNCIL:
No one had requested to make use of this facility.

96/2014: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING 10th June 2014

The minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 10th June 2014 had been circulated prior to the meeting and were unanimously approved.

97/2014: THE FUTURE OF GRAIGFELEN COMMUNITY HALL

We are still waiting for sight of the draft lease from City and County of Swansea to move the process forward.

98/2014: CLYDACH WAR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

There have been no developments following the meeting with Edwina Hart and Martin Caton. It was agreed that a letter to the Editor of the Evening Post might help to highlight the lack of progress.

99/2014: CLYDACH HEALTH CARE SYSTEM

Cllrs Davies and Walker met with the Practice Manager to discuss the concerns raised with the Community Council in particular over the appointments system. The Council is particularly concerned that it was misquoted in the local paper and it was suggested that some sort of joint statement might be agreed with the Centre and released to the Press. Cllr Morgan will draft an appropriately worded statement. It is hoped that the installation of extra telephone lines will help to reduce the waiting time on the phone.

100/2014: COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. **Halls Committee** – The plans for the Summer Fayre are almost complete with just a few small details to be finalised. Application forms are freely available and the banners will be put on display around the village. The Clerk was asked to contact South Wales Fire Brigade to see if they would enter a tug of war team at the fete.

- b. **Planning Committee**

1. Llanberis, Heol Dywyll, Clydach – Conversion of garage into granny annexe – 2014/0748
2. 39 Down Street, Clydach – Single storey rear extension 2014/0794
3. Genau r Glyn, Heol Dywyll, Clydach – Side and rear extension 2014/0822

The only concerns the Committee had were in relation to the last 2 applications with regard to the

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impact on the privacy of the neighbouring proprietors.

The committee's recommendations were approved by the meeting and the Clerk was instructed to write to the City and County of Swansea with the Council's comments.

4. Audit Committee - (all invoices for payment are scrutinised by the Audit committee prior to presentation to full council)

The council approved the recommendations of the Audit and Accounts Committee for payment of the following invoices

Item	Amount	VAT	Cheque Number
1. Wages	£2,024.62		BACS
2. Tax & NIC	£299.99		BACS
3. L Llwellyn Audit fee	£250.00		BACS
4. City & County Swansea Rates	£350.00		BACS
5. Clerk's expenses	£104.75		BACS
6. Caretaker's expenses (hall materials)	£6.85		BACS
7. BT Broadband	£74.40		BACS
8. R Keen Event Insurance	£437.00		BACS
9. SWALEC	£130.44		BACS
10. Dorian Heel Bar	£742.00		BACS
11. H R Jones	£64.00		BACS
12. Cllr L Jenkins expenses	£24.24		BACS

ACTIONS:

- Cllrs to make the BACS payments
Clerk to distribute as required.

101/2014 CORRESPONDENCE:

1. David Charlesworth who had spoken at the previous meeting about the fish ladder project thanked the Council for their time and asked if he could have access over the locked gate at the canal path. The Council hoped there might be an opportunity during the work to improve the surrounding area.
2. The children of Graigfelen School had written to the Councillors seeking their support for their campaign for a park and the Clerk was instructed to send a letter of support in response.
3. The NEAT team would like to landscape the ground behind the hall as one of their projects and work could start soon.
4. Work is being done on the drainage at the Cricket Club and concern was expressed over the impact this might have on the local residents. Any alterations would have to be carried out ensuring that there was no risk of flooding to the residents

102/2014: COUNCIL POLICIES The Clerk is reviewing the Council's policies and indicated that he expected to bring a few updated drafts for approval over the next couple of months

103/2014 STAFF AND MEMBERS TRAINING – The Clerk continues to circulate Councillors with details of suitable training events. One Voice Wales has already been advised that we would be interested in hosting training and the Clerk will endeavour to arrange for this to take place when the next batch of seminars is being planned.

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104/2014 NEXT MEETING There is no meeting of the Council in August although the Audit Committee will meet as usual. The next meeting of the full Council will be held at 7.00 pm. on Tuesday 9th September 2014. The Planning Committee will meet at usual at 6.30 pm.

The meeting closed at 8-45pm

The above minutes are approved as a true record

Signed Chair Community Council:

Date: