

MINUTES OF THE AGM OF EWENNY COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY 11th MAY 2022
HELD AT VALE CRICKET CLUB - 7:00 PM

Present: Councillor A. P. Baker (Chair)
Councillor H. Baker (Vice Chair)
Councillor J. Pegg
Councillor A. Jenkins
Councillor M. Robson
PCSO A. Stone

Mr J. Radcliffe (Observational Capacity)
Mr W. Bailey (Observational Capacity) - left the meeting at 7:55 pm

Councillor J. Pegg gave her resignation as Chair and gave thanks to Members for all their support they had given her during her time as Chair.

Councillor A. Jenkins said that they were very grateful for all that Councillor J. Pegg had done during her time as Chair. All members were in agreement.

1. **TO APPOINT THE CHAIRMAN FOR THE FORTHCOMING YEAR**

The Chairman invited nominations for appointment of Chairman for the ensuing year.

Councillor A. Jenkins proposed Councillor A. P. Baker. Councillor M. Robson seconded. All members agreed that the Vice-Chairman Councillor A. P. Baker was appointed Chairman. Councillor A. P. Baker gladly accepted and took up the post as Chairman.

Councillor A. P. Baker signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office Book.

2. **TO APPOINT THE VICE-CHAIRMAN FOR THE FORTHCOMING YEAR**

The Chairman invited nominations for appointment of Vice- Chairman for the ensuing year.

Councillor J. Pegg proposed Councillor H. Baker. Councillor M. Robson seconded. All members agreed that Councillor H. Baker was appointed Vice-Chairman. Councillor H. Baker gladly accepted and took up the post as Vice-Chairman.

Councillor H. Baker signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office Book.

As the Councillors had not met in person for some time due to Covid restrictions, the Clerk got members to sign the Declaration of Acceptance of Office Book for the previous 2 years.

3.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

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DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

5.

POLICE MATTERS

PCSO Stone advised there had been no crimes to report since the last meeting.

There had been a suspicious person in the area. Door to door sellers are around and are using the hard sell with vulnerable people. PCSO Stone advised Members to report any issues to her.

6.

TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13TH APRIL 2022

RESOLVED: Councillor A. Jenkins moved that the Minutes from 13th April 2022, be confirmed as a true record. Councillor H. Baker seconded. All members agreed that the Minutes were an accurate record.

MATTERS ARISING

7. **NOISY PUMP/GENERATOR ON ABBEY ROAD**

RESOLVED: The Clerk will follow this up with Natural Resources Wales in May as this is when they have asked Dwr Cymru to provide them with some data and information. The Clerk will update Members in the June 2022 meeting.

8. **MEADOWS PLAY AREA**

RESOLVED: Councillor W. Bailey has emailed the 2 quotes and the information regarding the community engagement to Alun Cairns in relation to applying for another grant from the Waterloo Foundation. Councillor W. Bailey is awaiting a response from Mr Cairns.

Members discussed the Asset transfer and Councillor J. Pegg advised members about the access that had been discussed with Rob at the Vale of Glamorgan Council and it was agreed that the Clerk would find out further information.

9. **WALK AROUND THE PARISH**

The Clerk has emailed Mr Cheeseman (Ecologist) to ask if he could meet members on 17th May at 10:00 am at the baptismal pool. The Clerk has emailed Members to advise them of the date and time.

RESOLVED: Mr Cheeseman has confirmed he will meet Members at the baptismal pool to walk around the parish. It was agreed that Members would meet at the baptismal pool, walk to the Meadows, the War Memorial and Ewenny play area.

10. **OVERGROWN GREEN LANE CONNECTING WICK ROAD TO LLAMPHA**

RESOLVED: Councillor H. Baker advised the Clerk that this has been cut back but that it is still narrow when passing as it has grown again.

11. **THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE BEACONS - 2ND JUNE 2022**

RESOLVED: The Clerk advised members that she had emailed a reminder to Richard Anthony about lighting the beacon at 9:15 pm on 2nd June.

Councillor H. Baker advised members that she had not had a chance to paint the trig point as yet.

The Clerk advised members that she had sent the plaque to be engraved and that the company had advised it had been broken in transit. The Clerk had insured it using special delivery and is in the process of claiming for it.

The Clerk has ordered the new plaque and gave this to Councillor A. Baker.

The Clerk advised members that we had received a refund for £39.00 which we had paid for the artwork design on the original plaque..

12. **ROAD MARKINGS AT THE JUNCTION OF EWENNY ROAD, WICK ROAD AND ST BRIDES ROAD**

RESOLVED: It was agreed to leave this on until a programme of works schedule is sent to the Clerk from the Vale of Glamorgan Council.

13. **FOOTPATH ACROSS THE MOORS**

RESOLVED: The Clerk received an email from Bridgend Town Council advising that this had been discussed in their last meeting and that Councillor Unwin had stated that whilst the Town Council undertake maintenance work to footpaths, the Town Councils agreement does not extend to putting in a new path surface. It was agreed by council that the matter be referred back to BCBC for consideration.

The Clerk received an email on 04.05.2022 from Andrew Mason at BCBC advising that this was on their list of matters that they need to attend to and that he is hoping to have a look at it during the next week. He advised the Clerk that once he has carried out a site visit that he will be back in touch with a report as to what he has found out and what, if anything, requires further action.

14. **SCHEDULE OF ITEMS AT THE VILLAGE HALL**

RESOLVED: Councillor W. Bailey stated that he still had a projector stand that he had not managed to sell. It was agreed that he would either donate it or if it can't be used by anyone to take it to the tip.

15. **RURAL ROADS POLICY**

RESOLVED: The Clerk to follow this up via email with County Councillor Cave.

16. **WAR MEMORIAL ASSET TRANSFER**

RESOLVED: Councillor A. Jenkins gave the Clerk the file from Councillor A.V. Jenkins which includes a list of where people are buried who fought in the war.

17. **NEWSLETTER**

The newsletters have been distributed by Members. The Clerk has also put the information onto the Community Council website.

Councillor W. Bailey was short for distributing to his assigned area and so was Councillor J. Radcliffe

RESOLVED: It was agreed that the Clerk would check the electoral register to get an accurate number of households so that we order enough newsletters.

18. **Email from Vale Cricket Club**

RESOLVED: The Clerk advised Members that she had emailed Liz at the Cricket Club to book in the Community Council meetings for the foreseeable future, as we need them to be held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm as they are public meetings, and need to be advertised. Liz has confirmed that this has been done.

19. **VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL - NOMINATION PAPERS (ELECTIONS)**

RESOLVED: The Clerk has emailed Councillor W. Bailey and Councillor J. Radcliffe to advise them of the process they should follow to apply to be a Community Councillor. Councillor Radcliffe has emailed his to the Clerk. The Clerk will keep this to be read out in the June 2022 meeting.

The Clerk advised Members that she has advertised the 3 casual vacancies on the Community Council website and that this has also been advertised on the 2 notice boards in the village. The advert was put up on the 9th May and will remain in place for 2 weeks.

20. **PLAQUE AT THE CRICKET CLUB INDICATING THAT THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEET AT THE CRICKET CLUB ON THE 2ND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH**

RESOLVED: Councillor J. Pegg advised Members that she is due to meet with Gareth next week so she will discuss this with him then.

21. **HANGING BASKETS**

Councillor J. Pegg advised members that she had made up 3 hanging baskets as one of them was broken and that she would let them grow a bit more. Councillor Bailey will sell these in the shop for around £25 each and all proceeds would be paid into the Meadows Play Area Fund.

22. **DRAGON CLAY/HERMITAGE WOOD SHOOTING**

RESOLVED: The Clerk had circulated the link to the planning committee to Members so that they could watch it.

The Clerk has emailed the conditions to members so that they can see what they are.

The Clerk has also uploaded the information to the Community Council website so that residents can see what the conditions are and report them if they are in breach of the conditions.

23. **TRAFFIC ISSUES**

RESOLVED: There were no issues to report.

SPEEDING TRAFFIC THROUGH THE VILLAGE

RESOLVED: Councillor J. Pegg advised Members that speed scoping would continue and that an evening session will be undertaken in the near future. The speed scoping is reinforcing the message to people. As the speed scoping Team sends all of their data to Go Safe more speed monitoring has been undertaken by Go Safe. Members asked Councillor Pegg to pass on their thanks to Mr Pegg for all the work he has undertaken.

24. **VILLAGE HALL**

RESOLVED: The Clerk advised members that our Solicitor had advised that she had chased the Solicitor again but unfortunately the Landlords solicitor is still waiting for the second signatory to sign.

It was agreed that the Clerk advise our Solicitor that we are now incurring further costs with regards to insurance and electricity and to find out a date when the papers will be signed.

It was agreed that the Clerk would email Members a rota for checking the hall up to the date of the June meeting.

25. **TO APPOINT REPRESENTATIVES TO SERVE ON OUTSIDE BODIES**

RESOLVED: As the Community Council does not have its full number of members it was agreed that this would be placed on the June 2022 Agenda and discussed at that meeting.

26. **PLANNING**

There was ONE New Planning Application for consideration.

Town and Country Planning Act, 1990 (as amended)

Planning Application No. 2022/00475/FUL (SFL)

Location : Westwoods, The Trip, Ewenny

Proposal : Change the first floor dormer roofs from flat roof to pitched First floor

extension over the existing kitchen and games room. A rear single storey extension

forming a new kitchen and utility room.

DECISION: No objection. The Clerk will convey this to the Vale of Glamorgan Planning Department.

CORRESPONDENCE

27. **Thank you card from Councillor A.V. Jenkins**

RESOLVED: The Clerk read out the card to Members.

28. **BHIB Insurance renewal**

RESOLVED: The Clerk had emailed the policy to Members which is due for renewal on 1st June 2022. The Clerk advised members that there were items on there that no longer required insuring. Members looked through the policy and agreed that some of the figures could be amended. Councillor A.V. Jenkins had offered previously to help in any way he could, so it was agreed that the Clerk would email the document to him to look at with the proposed changes. The Clerk can then obtain a new quote.

29. **GVS e-Bulletin Service 09/05/22)**

RESOLVED: That the email, that had been previously circulated, be noted

30. **Rhaglen Haf o Hwyl - Summer of Fun programme**

RESOLVED: That the email, that had been previously circulated, be noted.

31. **Vale Health Social Care & Wellbeing ebuletin 28.4.2022**

RESOLVED: That the email, that had been previously circulated, be noted.

32. **Code of Conduct Training with One Voice Wales**

RESOLVED: That the email, that had been previously circulated, be noted.

33. **IMPORTANT Green Waste Collections this week**

RESOLVED: That the email, that had been previously circulated, be noted.

34. **GVS e-Bulletin Service (25/04/22)**

RESOLVED: That the email, that had been previously circulated, be noted.

35. **Planning Committee - 27th April 2022**

RESOLVED: That the email, that had been previously circulated, be noted.

36. **Council - 25 April 2022 - Agenda and Reports**

RESOLVED: That the email, that had been previously circulated, be noted.

37. **Valeways Newsletter March 2022**

RESOLVED: That the email, that had been previously circulated, be noted.

38. **Vale Cricket Club launches new Vice President Scheme**

RESOLVED: That the email, that had been previously circulated, be noted.

39. The following emails were forwarded to members from One Voice Wales:

- Cardiff & Vale UHB - CEO Connects
- Local Places for Nature - 2022 Applications
- MAY TRAINING DATES
- CHANGE OF TRAINING DATES
- PRESS RELEASE: Ramblers Cymru Spring into action to give nature a boost
- Celebrating Rural Wales Event 9th & 10th June 2022
- PORTHCAWL TOWN COUNCIL - DEPUTY TOWN CLERK/DEPUTY RFO
- PENTYRCH CC JOB ADVERT
- South East Wales Regional Engagement Team Weekly Bulletin
- Cardiff and Vale UHB - CEO Connects
- REMINDER - OVW Bridgend/Cardiff/Vale Area Committee meeting 25.4.22
- PLANTING FOR POLLINATORS
- Bridgend/Vale/Cardiff Area Committee Meeting
- Bridgend/Cardiff/Vale Area agenda for circulation

40.

FINANCE/AUDIT/AGREE INTERNAL AUDITOR

The Clerk has heard nothing further in relation to the audit for 2021/2022.

The Clerk has finished the work for the Internal audit for 2022/23 and met with GS Griffiths accounts at the start of the week.

The Clerk has prepared the following cheques/ for signing:

RESOLVED: That the following accounts submitted for payment be paid: -

- Staff Payments - £710.03
- Countrywide - £236.57

The Clerk advised Members that she had contacted Countrywide to ask them not to cut the grass outside the village hall and that when they are cutting the grass at the war memorial area that they cut it right back to the boundaries.

It was agreed that the Clerk would ask Countrywide to invoice us after the grass has been cut and to include the dates of cutting and the areas that have been cut on each invoice.

The following payments were made online using the debit card:

- CartridgeInk.co.uk - £33.42
- Royal Mail - £5.31
- Brunel Engraving - £110.72
- The Clerk has received a refund from Brunel Engraving for £39.00 for the original artwork that was designed to add the plaque which got broken in transit.

The Clerk has circulated the budget projection.

It was agreed that the Clerk would order an insignia for Councillor A. Baker

41.

DONATIONS

RESOLVED: The Clerk advised Members that no donation requests had been received.

Councillor A. Jenkins asked if the donations from the Cricket club could be reconsidered. It was agreed that in exceptional circumstances donation requests can be considered inbetween AGM's.

42.

MEMBERS ITEMS

1). Councillor J. Pegg stated that there was some japanese knotweed on the left hand side before the quarry as you are heading towards Corntown on the B4524 from the A48. There is also some by the cattle grid in St Brides on both sides. The Clerk will report this to the Vale of Glamorgan Council.

2). Councillor J. Pegg advised members that the Cricket club has had a defibrillator installed Councillor Pegg will speak with Gareth about setting a date for training.

43.

TO APPOINT COMMUNITY COUNCIL LIAISON OFFICER

RESOLVED: It was agreed that as the Community Council was not at full capacity with members that this would be discussed in the June 2022 meeting.