

TALYBONT ON USK COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Cyngor Cymuned Talybont ar Wysg

**MEETING HELD ON 11th SEPTEMBER 2017 AT THE HENDERSON HALL,
TALYBONT ON USK**

ITEM NO	NOTES	ACTION
1	<p><u>Apologies for absence</u></p> <p>No apologies were received. Cllr Bell was absent.</p> <p>Present:</p> <p>Cllr Burdon (Chairman), Cllr Baldwin (Vice Chairman), Cllr Eardley, Cllr James, Cllr Jones, Cllr Newberry, Cllr Parry, Cllr Thomas, County Cllr Fitzpatrick, and the Clerk.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>
2	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>None.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
3	<p><u>To approve the minutes of the last meeting</u></p> <p>Cllr Eardley proposed and Cllr Baldwin seconded that the minutes be approved as a true record of the last meeting with an amendment to the mention of Station Road (change to Penpentre) in item 4, and they were signed by the Chairman.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
4	<p><u>Matters arising</u></p> <p>Boundary Fence – see correspondence.</p> <p>Penpentre surface – awaiting pictures from Cllr Bell when bad weather returns.</p> <p>BMX track – a vote of thanks was agreed to all those who were involved in tidying up the area.</p> <p>Playground rota – had been emailed out</p> <p>Canal bank cutting – Cllr Eardley reported that apologies had been received from CRT, the bank had been cut and cut again recently.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Cllr Bell</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>
5	<p><u>Correspondence</u></p> <p>a) National Park Authority invitation to ‘Down to the Sea’ event Monday 25th September.</p>	<p>Noted</p>

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	b) Invoice from Mr Jenkins for fencing around the playing field.	
6	<p><u>Reform of data protection legislation</u></p> <p>The Clerk advised members that the law was due to change in May 2018. She agreed to check on SLCC training courses and expressed a desire for one or more Councillors to attend as well.</p>	Noted
7	<p><u>OVW Model Conflict Resolution Policy</u></p> <p>The Policy had been circulated. Cllr Thomas proposed and Cllr James seconded that it be adopted by the Council and all agreed.</p>	Clerk
8	<p><u>Poppy Appeal 2017</u></p> <p>The Clerk had circulated an email from Anne Hamill-Keays requesting members help in finding a replacement for her as Poppy Appeal coordinator. The Clerk agreed to find out the area covered and the level of commitment required and report back.</p>	Clerk
9	<p><u>Tennis Courts</u></p> <p>Cllr Eardley asked if anything could be done about the state of the tennis courts. Cllr Thomas said that a potential Lottery bid would include this work.</p>	Noted
10	<p><u>Bridle path from Llandetty to Tor y Foel</u></p> <p>Cllr Eardley stated that the path and fencing was in a state of disrepair. The Clerk agreed to contact Eifion Jones at BBNPA.</p>	Clerk
11	<p><u>Phone boxes</u></p> <p>Talybont: A resident had reported issues with the condition of the phone box and the surrounding area, and no response from BT. The Clerk agreed to contact BT.</p> <p>Scethrog: Cllr Newberry reported that the paving was still in need of attention and the Clerk agreed to follow up with Allun Jones.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>

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12	<p><u>Community page on Talybont Tourism Website</u></p> <p>Cllr Jones raised the issue of communication between the various groups in the village, and with residents, and a Facebook page was suggested. All were in agreement.</p>	<p>Cllrs Jones & Eardley</p>
13	<p><u>Tree charter legacy trees</u></p> <p>The Clerk explained the project but there was no interest.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
14	<p><u>Clustering funding</u></p> <p>The Clerk read out the details of the project but it was agreed not to pursue.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
15	<p><u>Community Fund 2017/2018</u></p> <p>Four applications had been received, and the grants would be decided at the October meeting.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
16	<p><u>Training update</u></p> <p>The Clerk had not been able to attend the SLCC branch meeting.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
17	<p><u>Henry Vaughan Garden</u></p> <p>The Chairman reported that the solicitor had confirmed that there was no further Community Council input required with the paperwork, only the signatory of the second landowner. It was agreed that the Clerk would write to Mervyn Bramley to state that no further action can be taken by the Community Council.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
18	<p><u>Canal issues</u></p> <p>Cllrs Burdon, Thomas, Baldwin and County Cllr Fitzpatrick had attended a meeting with representatives from CRT and PCC. The site is due to be re-engineered in November. PCC had acted quickly in repainting lines. Some trimming of branches had taken place. CRT have not cut back hedging or removed the sign in the bus stop. It was agreed that Cllr Burdon would email the Clerk with a list of items agreed at that meeting for her to follow up with CRT.</p>	<p>Cllr Burdon & Clerk</p>
19	<p><u>Dogs on playing field/dog fouling</u></p>	

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	The signs had been delivered and were due to go up. Cllr Burdon agreed to clarify the 'no dogs' policy for events such as the annual show, and to approach the person witnessed letting their dog foul on the field.	Cllrs Eardley & Burdon
20	<u>Rubbish and recycling</u> The recycling site is now open five days a week with improved access. Cllr Thomas reported that the hall committee are considering removing the clothes recycling bin. No objections.	Noted
21	<u>Village signage</u> This could be dealt with at the October meeting when the Lottery project had been completed.	Cllr Thomas
22	<u>Talybont Matters</u> Nothing to report, remove from agenda.	Clerk
23	<u>Big Lottery Grant</u> The grand opening had been set for 16 th September. Apologies from Cllr Fitzpatrick. Parking – stewards required to allow parking on field if weather ok, not in Penpentre. Cllrs Burdon and James volunteered. Cllr Thomas requested volunteers for a tidy up on Friday 15 th at 10.30am, County Cllr Fitzpatrick said he would attend. Reimbursement for the plaque and expenses could be incorporated into the annual Hall grant. Everything would be ready for the opening day and was on budget.	Noted
24	<u>BRAG</u> Nothing to report, remove from agenda	Noted
25	<u>National Park Authority Matters</u> Carol Williams and Richard Tyler were due to attend the October meeting. Cllr James agreed to assist with the projector, if it is required.	Noted

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26	<p><u>County Councillor's Report</u> Road surface issues on the A40 had arisen and speed limits were in place. Rural traffic enforcement was planned. Once the new facilities were complete, a traffic review was promised. Grit bins – October agenda.</p>	
27	<p><u>Community Council assets including playing field</u></p> <p>Football goals purchased by Rec. Group – insurance? Grass cutting access?</p> <p>Grass cutting and strimming – playground and path still being missed, and benches not being replaced after grass cutting.</p> <p>Agreement for users of playing field – draft agreement circulated, Clerk to put on October agenda.</p> <p>Use of field for wedding marquee 7th April 2018 – all agreed, Clerk to send letter.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
28	<p><u>Highway Matters</u></p> <p>a) Tree branches outside shop – the maple tree on the canal bank is growing through the phone wires. Clerk to contact Kevin Phillips.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
29	<p><u>Applications for Planning Consent</u></p> <p>a) None received since last meeting b) Applications at Gilestone and Maesmawr had been approved, and the application at the White Hart had been withdrawn.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>
30	<p><u>Finance</u></p> <p>a) Current financial situation – Current account balance £14,999.77, reserved funds account balance £15,127.68. b) Clerk's expenses – none. c) Banking issues – mandate had been amended to allow Cllr Newberry to sign cheques. Cllrs Jones and James had been unable to progress the online approval system and would try again and report back. d) Cllr Eardley proposed and Cllr Jones seconded the payment of invoices as follows:</p> <p>Mr & Mrs BJ & LI Jenkins £1,284.75 for fencing the playing field Clerk's September salary - £302.75 Caretaker's Q3 salary - £120.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>

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	Freestyle £140.00 for newsletter printing.	
31	<p><u>Date of next meeting</u></p> <p>The next meeting would be held on Monday 16th October 2017 at 7.00pm at the Henderson Hall, with the visit of Carol Williams and Richard Tyler of BBNPA.</p>	<p>Noted</p>