

TALYBONT ON USK COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Cyngor Cymuned Talybont ar Wysg

MEETING HELD ON 27th JULY AT THE HENDERSON HALL, TALYBONT ON USK

ITEM NO	NOTES	ACTION
1	<p>Prior to the main business of the meeting, PC Pole and PCSO Dunne talked to members about the BRAG project, and explained that officers and volunteers had given advice to over 200 motorists since the project began. Crime prevention letters had been sent out to motorists who had left valuables on display. Members who had been out on patrol said that they had found it a useful project. Cllr Bugler had already agreed that he would be coordinator, along with Cllr Thomas.</p> <p><u>Apologies for absence</u></p> <p>Cllr Thomas and Cllr Bell sent their apologies for this meeting.</p> <p>Present:</p> <p>Cllr Bugler (Chairman), Cllr Burdon (Vice Chairman), Cllr Baldwin, Cllr Darbyshire, Cllr Jones, Cllr James, County Cllr Fitzpatrick, and the Clerk.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>
2	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>There were no declarations of interest.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
3	<p><u>To approve the minutes of the last meeting</u></p> <p>Cllr Jones proposed and Cllr Baldwin seconded that the minutes be approved as a true record of the meeting and all agreed. Cllr Bugler signed the minutes.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
4	<p><u>Matters arising</u></p> <p>i) Highway matters – Cllr Baldwin advised that the request to Talybont Energy for funding for the speed indicator device was pending.</p> <p>ii) The Clerk reported that PCC had been asked to carry out the relining of the tennis courts and a response was awaited.</p> <p>iii) Cllr Davies commented on the positive response from The Canal and River Trust regarding the CC's request for the bridge to be 'sped up', and a mirror to be placed on the bridge.</p> <p>iv) Wildflower planting on A40 junction – Cllr Davies asked when this would be done, and the Clerk confirmed that</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>

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	John Byrne had advised that it would be part of next year's planting project.	
5	<p><u>Correspondence</u></p> <p>A number of newsletters and circulars were placed on the side table for inspection.</p> <p>a) An email from Sandra Briskham to report that PCC had been cutting the overhanging branches from the canal access path behind the bus stop.</p> <p>b) A legal briefing from NALC detailing sections 55-8 of the Local Government (Democracy) Wales Act 2013 which came into force on 1 May 2015. This legislation requires Community Councils to make available certain contact information on their websites. It was proposed by Cllr Davies and seconded by Cllr Burdon that Councillors' email addresses be added to the website.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Clerk</p>
6	<p><u>One Voice Wales</u></p> <p>The Chairman reported that he and Cllr Thomas had not received paperwork for the recent meeting. The Clerk had contacted OVW, and they had confirmed that it had been sent out.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
7	<p><u>Welsh Government White Paper on future role of Community Councils</u></p> <p>The Clerk advised that there was no new information to report at present.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
8	<p><u>Talybont Reservoir Status</u></p> <p>Cllr Jones gave an update. A meeting between all interested parties was held on 16/6. The FoTR group would continue, but Peter Seaman was to step down as Secretary.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
9	<p><u>Volunteer insurance</u></p> <p>The Clerk updated members on the current situation, which was that the Council's insurance policy would cover volunteers working under the control of the Council, with a risk assessment having taken place, and with a list of dos and don'ts having been signed by volunteers.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>

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	Cllr Baldwin said that two litter pickers would be useful for Pencelli, and Cllr Davies said that he would speak to Sandra Briskham.	Cllr Davies
10	<p><u>Training update</u></p> <p>The Clerk advised that the SLCC Conference for Wales was to be held in Swansea on 17th September.</p>	Noted
11	<p><u>Community Grant Lottery Application</u></p> <p>It was reported that the application was being worked on by Clare Wright and Ceri Bevan.</p>	Noted
12	<p><u>Pencelli Bus shelters</u></p> <p>Cllr Baldwin reported he had no response from John Forsey. County Cllr Fitzpatrick said that he would take it up with him.</p>	Cllr Baldwin/County Cllr Fitzpatrick
13	<p><u>Orchard</u></p> <p>Cllr Baldwin confirmed that the planting would not take place until next year.</p>	Cllr Baldwin
14	<p><u>Defibrillator</u></p> <p>Cllr Baldwin confirmed that case for the defibrillator was at the shop and that a suitable place to locate it, as well as the wiring, was being arranged. Community training by Simon Smith would take place in the Autumn.</p>	Cllr Baldwin
15	<p><u>Public Convenience Provision</u></p> <p>The Henderson Hall Committee was due to meet on Wednesday 29th July and a budget would be agreed at that meeting.</p>	Cllr Darbyshire
16	<p><u>National Park Authority Matters</u></p> <p>There were no matters to discuss.</p>	Noted
17	<p><u>Community Council assets including Playing Field</u></p> <p>a) Play equipment maintenance and inspection. The report from Wicksteed had been received.</p>	Noted

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	<p>A number of actions were identified as being necessary, but before any work was carried out, it was agreed that Cllrs Davies, James and Bell would talk to the Recreation Group to see what their plans were for additional equipment.</p> <p>The Clerk advised that no response had been received from PCC regarding the storm drain. She would contact Allun Jones again.</p>	<p>Cllrs Davies, James and Bell</p> <p>Clerk</p>
<p>18</p>	<p><u>Highway matters</u></p> <p>a) A meeting of ToUE was due to take place. b) Cllr Burdon was due to meet Allun Jones. c) Cllr Thomas was due to find out which light was causing the issue in Canol Pentre. Cllr Davies would look at the issue at Cartref. d) The Clerk gave an update. The NRW contact had spoken with the contractors who would speak with the hauliers. e) Cllr Bugler volunteered to clear the brambles by the railway embankment.</p> <p>Additional item – Station Road. County Cllr Fitzpatrick agreed to discuss a plan for management of the trees with the landowner and have it put in writing and signed.</p>	<p>Cllr Baldwin Cllr Burdon Cllrs Thomas and Davies Noted</p> <p>Cllr Bugler Noted</p>
<p>19</p>	<p><u>Applications for planning consent</u></p> <p>a) 15/12288/FUL – “Extension to side and rear of the property to provide dining room, wetroom, bedroom and conservatory with wheelchair access” at The Cottage, Scethrog, Brecon, Powys, LD3 7EQ. Cllr Jones proposed and Cllr James seconded that this application be supported. b) Potential planning application at Gilestone – It was agreed that no comments could be made until a planning application was received. c) Results from National Park of applications for Planning Consent and other matters – none.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Noted</p>
<p>20</p>	<p><u>Finance</u></p> <p>a) Current financial situation - £8,485.25. b) Clerk’s expenses – none. c) Payroll issues – the Clerk reported that all other Clerks at the SLCC branch meeting used the HMRC RTI software to manage their payroll. Cllr Bugler asked that the Clerk find out the exact procedure and speak to the external auditors.</p>	<p>Noted Noted Clerk</p>

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	<p>d) Cllr Davies proposed and Cllr James seconded the signing of cheques as follows:</p> <p>£278.51 – Clerk’s July salary £278.51 – Clerk’s August salary (post-dated) £85.200 – Wicksteed play inspection</p>	Clerk
24	<p><u>Date of next meeting</u></p> <p>The next meeting would be Monday 14th September at 7.15pm at the Henderson Hall.</p>	Noted