

**Minutes of the Council Meeting of the Llanedi Community Council held on  
Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2016 at Hendy Reading Room**

**Minute no. 1 – Members Present**

**Councillors:**

A J Blackley  
W A Evans  
R B Evans  
J T Jones  
Mrs B Thomas  
G B Thomas  
R C Roberts  
M Nicholas  
G I Davies

Chairman Councillor G Thomas presided over the meeting
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**Minute no. 2 - Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for their absence from the meeting were received from Councillors L Griffiths, M Davies, C F Higgins, Mrs T Higgins, Mrs H M Funnell, and B Davies.

**Minute no. 3 – Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest received for matters on the agenda.

**Minute no. 4 – Signing of the Minutes July 6<sup>th</sup> 2016**

**Resolved that** the minutes of the above meeting, having been previously circulated, be accepted as read, confirmed and signed as a true and legal record of the matters transacted. **Reason** – to adhere to the requirements of the Local Government Act 1972

Sch 12, para 41 (1) and (4) and section 99.

**Minute no. 5 – Persimmon Homes**

Further to minute no 6 of the July meeting, it was noted that Persimmon had attempted to make a planning application before the August deadline however it was noted that this was disallowed by the County Council.

Further to minute no 19 of the July meeting, it was noted that there is a group in both Hendy and Pontarddulais campaigning against the proposed allocation of development land in Pontarddulais.

## **Minute no. 6 – Signing of the Minutes August 17th 2016**

**Resolved that** the minutes of the above meeting, having been previously circulated, be accepted as read, confirmed and signed as a true and legal record of the matters transacted subject to an amendment of minute number 4.

**Reason** – to adhere to the requirements of the Local Government Act 1972, Sch 12, para 41 (1) and (4) and section 99.

## **Minute no. 7 – Land Use Planning – Town and Country Planning Act**

### **(a) Proposed Development**

**Resolved that** the following applications be noted onto the minutes.

**Reason:** Members did not request that observations/objections be conveyed to the County Planning Authority in respect of the proposed developments.

- S/34246 Change of use from a public house to a veterinary surgery at the Red Lion Hotel, 120 Iscoed Road, Hendy. SA4 LTD – Emma Havard.
- S/34004 Bungalow at land rear of 59 Iscoed Road, Hendy, Swansea. Jigsaw property developments ltd – Mr Simmonds.
- S/34071 Inert waste processing centre at former Morlais Colliery, Pontardulais Road, Llangennech, Llanelli. Browns Recycling Group LTD – Steve Brown.
- S/34141 Proposed single storey conservatory rear extension at 43 Tycroes Road, Tycroes, Ammanford. Mr Ian Williams.
- S/34284 Proposed single storey rear extension and extended balcony, demolition of existing conservatory at 36 Clayton Road, Hendy, Swansea. Mr Peter Evans.
- S/34291 Two storey rear and single storey side extension to High Mead, Llanedi Road, Llanedi. Mr & Mrs M Elliott.
- S/34339 The application seeks confirmation of the lawful implementation of planning permission S/13870 (residential development for 5 dwellings) at land adjacent to 27 Bronallt Road, Hendy. Neil McDonnell.

### **(b) Decision Notices Granted**

**Resolved that** the following applications be noted onto the minutes.

None received.

### **(c) Decision Notices Refused**

None received.

### **(e) Decision Notices Appealed**

None received.

#### **Minute no. 8 – Planning Application S/34256 Red Lion Hotel Hendy**

**Resolved** to recommend to the County Council that in the event that the planning application is approved, the façade of the building is dealt with sensitively as the building is very old and is linked to heritage of the village.

#### **Minute no. 9 – Councillor B Evans**

Councillor Evans requested that the Clerk investigate whether planning has been obtained for land adjacent to Oakley House, Fforest (opposite the Bird in Hand).

#### **Minute no. 10 – Finance Reports**

The Council received a Finance Report consisting of the following elements:

- Bank Reconciliation
- Report on Income Received
- Report on proposed Expenditure
- Report on receipts and payments by budget heading

**Resolved** to approve the expenditure subject to a query with regard to cheque numbers 3397 and 3391 in particular why the payments are scheduled close together.

#### **Minute no. 11 – Audit**

The Clerk received a request to provide a report on the total cost of the audit of the Council's accounts for 2014/15 financial year. **Resolved to** request the Clerk to provide this information to the next Finance Committee meeting.

#### **Minute no. 12 – One Voice Wales Advice to Community Councils on working with Young People**

Members considered a previously circulated report on working with young people. It was noted that there is currently no service for the Youth being provided by the County Council in the locality. **Resolved to** place the topic of Youth Council on the agenda of the next meeting.

#### **Minute no. 13 – Christmas Lights**

**Resolved that** the switch on for the Christmas lights will be organised as follows:

Tycroes – To be agreed.

Hendy Switch on will be Friday the 2<sup>nd</sup> December

**Resolved to** request the Clerk to make enquiries with Steve Lloyd-Janes to establish specific details for the switch on in the community.

#### **Minute no. 14 – Carnival Committee**

There was a general discussion on the level of contributions provided to the Carnival Committee by both Pontarddulais and Llanedi Councils.

**Resolved to** obtain information on the breakdown of the costs of the activities of the committee for both summer and Christmas events and the source and amount of financial contribution.

#### **Minute no. 15 – Application for Safe Routes in the Community**

The Council received an invitation from the County Council to submit a bid for funding under the Safe Routes in the Community scheme. **Resolved to** instruct the Clerk to work in conjunction with the school to prepare a bid to install 20 mph warning signs, pedestrian crossings and drop kerbs for easy access on the highway.

#### **Minute no. 16 – Cricket Club**

The Clerk provided an overview on progress with the invitation of tenders for the redevelopment of the cricket club from local Architects. **Resolved to** invite the selected consultants to visit the cricket club and submit proposals for the proposed re-development to the Council by the next meeting.

#### **Minute no. 17 – Asset Transfer**

The Chairman reported that he has enquired as to progress with the model format of the lease as discussed at a previous meeting and it is anticipated that a response will be received very soon.

The Council also received correspondence from a local resident requesting the purchase of the Tycroes playing field in Heol Brown. This was noted.

#### **Minute no. 18 – Fees MUGA – Pontarddulais AFC**

The Council received correspondence from Pontarddulais AFC requesting that a reduction in fee is made for the coming season due to the extent of bookings as received from the club. **Resolved that** there would not be any discount offered to the club for use of the MUGA.

*Councillor A Blackley declared an interest in the above item.*

#### **Minute no. 19 – Hendy Play Area**

The Clerk provided an overview of actions taken since the last meeting in particular the shortlisting of two contractors selected at the public consultation meeting for the re-development of Hendy Park. It was agreed that the Council will invite the 2 contractors to amend their proposals to reflect observations

received at the public consultation and to attend a second public consultation to be held at Yr Aelwyd.

**Minute no. 20 – One Voice Wales**

**Resolved** that Cllr G B Thomas and Cllr M Nicholas will be appointed as the Council's representatives on One Voice Wales, and will attend the One Voice Wales conference on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> October.

**Minute no. 21 – Public Services Board conference on the Wellbeing of Future Generations Act**

**Resolved** that Cllr B Evans and Cllr A Evans will be appointed as the Council's representatives to attend the Public Service Board conference on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September.

**Minute no. 22 – Model Code of Conduct**

Members received an amended copy of the model code of conduct as issued by Welsh Government under the Local Government Act 2000. It was **resolved** to adopt the amended model code of conduct for the Council.

**Minute no. 23 – Persimmon Homes Site Hendy**

A report was provided on a recent incident after heavy rainfall whereby a significant amount of water was overflowing from the site into the adjacent houses with damage caused to boundary walls.

**Minute no. 24 – Bronallt Road**

It was reported that a meeting has been agreed with Mr McEvoy, Highways Officer with the County Council to consider speeding traffic at this location.

**Minute no. 25 – Parking Loading Bays**

It was reported that the Post Office and Florist in Hendy are to be allocated road markings delineating loading bays to the front of the premises.

**Minute no. 26 – Yellow Boxes – M4 Junction**

It was reported that the County Council is investigating the need for the provision of appropriately located yellow box junctions at the M4 motorway junction.

**Minute no. 27 – Bins Heol Morlais**

It was reported that the County Council is to place new bins at this location in the near future.

### **Minute no. 28 – Complaint against the Council Surveyor**

The Council received a complaint from A P Building and Carpentry in relation to the manner in which the Council's Surveyor had managed a building contract for work completed at Hendy AFC changing rooms. The Surveyor provided some additional information to the meeting and it was **resolved** to note the correspondence.

### **Minute no. 29 – Councillor C Higgins**

It was noted that Cllr Higgins current employment has meant that he is often unable to attend Council meetings due to work commitments. It was resolved to request that Cllr Higgins provides a report on County Council matters in the Tycroes ward to future meetings if he cannot attend.

### **Minute no. 30 – Plaque at Tycroes RFC**

It was noted that a plaque had been provided by the club to record the contributions as provided by the Council towards the redevelopment of changing rooms at the club. **Resolved that** the Council will make a payment for the plaque.

### **Minute no. 31 – Federation of Young Farmers Clubs**

The Council received a request for financial assistance from the above organisation. **Resolved to** defer consideration of this matter and make a request for the accounts of the organisation to be provided as part of the application.

### **Minute no. 32 – Councillor H Funnell**

The Council received a letter from Cllr Funnell indicating that she has increasing levels of family commitments, and therefore she would be considering her position as a member of the Council. **Resolved** to note the correspondence.

### **Minute no. 33 – Hefin Jones**

On behalf of the Council, the chairman expressed his congratulations to the translator in relation to his forthcoming marriage.

**Minute no. 34 - General Correspondence**

**Resolved to** note the following general correspondence onto the minutes:-

<b>Writer</b>	<b>Subject</b>
One Voice Wales	Membership confirmation
One Voice Wales	Invitation to Conference Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup> October
Public Services Board	Invitation for stakeholders to conference.
Tycroes RFC	Confirmation of payment to the Council
Christopher Ruck	Land Enquiry Heol Brown.
Carmarthenshire County Council	Notice of Vacancy for Councillor for Llanedi Hendy Ward

**Council Business terminated at 8.40 pm.**

**Signed .....**      **Date .....**  
**Chairman**