



GARW VALLEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL
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**MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD AT HALO LEISURE CENTRE
PONTYCYMMER ON MONDAY 18TH JUNE 2018 AT 6.30 PM**

Present: Councillor R Shaw

Councillors: G Andrews
R Clatworthy
S Dendy
C Lloyd
M Jones
R Jones
R Stirman
G Walters

Apologies: Councillors J Davies, H Griffiths, M Thomas and
C Gillard-Sage

Also Present: Mrs A C Harris, Clerk

12/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following interests were declared:

Councillor	Item	Interest
Mr G Andrews	Finance - Ffaldau School Alarm	Governor Ysgol Cwm Garw
Mr R Clatworthy	Finance - Ffaldau School Alarm	Governor Ysgol Cwm Garw
Ms S Dendy	All Bridgend County Borough Matters	Member BCBC
Ms C Lloyd	Finance - Ffaldau School Alarm	Governor Tynyrheol School
Mr M Jones	All Bridgend County Borough Matters Finance - Ffaldau School Alarm	Member BCBC Governor Bettws School
Mr R Shaw	All Bridgend County Borough Matters	Member BCBC
Mrs R Stirman	All Bridgend County Borough Matters Finance - Ffaldau School Alarm	Member BCBC Governor Bettws School

13/19 TO READ, CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 2018 ANNUAL AND ORDINARY MEETINGS

Resolved: The Minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record with this, the Chair duly signed the Minute Book.

14/19 TO RECEIVE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SOUTH WALES POLICE

The Chair welcomed Inspector Mark Simmonds along with the PCSOs in attendance, who gave an update and the dates of the next PACT meetings. The Clerk tabled a graph and narrative of the April 2018 figures.

Resolved: The information was noted.

15/19 TO RECEIVE GEMMA HAYNE TO GIVE A PRESENTATION

The Chair welcomed Gemma to the meeting to give a presentation on the Bridges Into Work Scheme.

Resolved: Gemma would send the Clerk some leaflets for distribution to Members

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16/19 TO CONSIDER MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MAY 2018 ANNUAL AND ORDINARY MINUTES

Minute 4/19

Daffodil Bulbs - 6 sacks ordered

Noticeboards

In consultation with the Bettws ward members a suitable location has been identified. The Clerk had obtained quotations and informed the Members.

Minute 7/19

Parc Calon Lan - this will take place on Saturday 14th July.

Earmarked Projects

- The defibrillator has been installed at Pontycymer Police Station and a plaque referring to the CCs financial contribution will be put up.
- The Camera Centre has been contacted regarding the relocation of the CCTV Hub

Visitor Centre Barrier Locking

The Clerk updated Members on the procedure that's in place.

Minute 8/19

It was agreed to defer the financial request until the financial donation policy had been discussed at the July meeting.

Resolved: The information was noted. The Clerk was given authority to progress Planning permission for the two noticeboards and it was agreed that both would be double fronted.

17/19 BOROUGH COUNCIL UPDATES AND WARD REPORTS

- Bettws - Councillor M Jones
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- Blaengarw - Councillor S Dendy
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- Llangeinor - Councillor R Stirman
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- Pontycymmer - Councillor R Shaw

Resolved: The updates and information given were noted.

18/19 AGENDA ITEMS

Item 8: To Discuss the Promotion of the Community Council's Work

The Clerk had obtained quotes for design, print and delivery door-to-door of a 4 x A4 newsletter to give an idea of cost. £1,500 had been allowed in the earmarked projects budget for this year.

Item 9: To Receive a Report from the Events Committee meeting held on 4th June 2018

The following recommendations were made:

- Community Award
- School Community Award
- Summer Event - possibly a Teddy Bear's Picnic
- Halloween Event

Resolved: All were approved by full council. It was agreed that the £500 originally earmarked in the budget for a Carnival would be split and half put towards the School's Community Award and half towards the Summer Event. The Clerk would approach the schools to see the School Community Award could go ahead before the summer break. It was also agreed that the newsletter would be progressed and the Chair asked that an agenda item for the next meeting be the role of the Council/llor and asked members to think about their role and what they'd like to achieve by the end of the year and within the next 3 years.

19/19 CHAIR'S REPORT

There was nothing to report this month.

20/19 CLERK'S REPORT INCLUDING UPDATE FROM WARDEN/PARC CALON LAN

Wardens Report

A list of work carried out by the Warden was read out.

Clerk's Report

Quad Bike and Trailer

The Clerk recommended that the council re-consider the quad and trailer. The quad is not roadworthy which limits where the Warden can travel.

New Model Standing Orders

Have been issued to reflect legislative changes which have occurred since 2013. These would be updated and a draft sent out for approval at the July meeting.

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Maintenance Schedule Warden

In order to plan a maintenance schedule for the Warden for all wards the Clerk asked for approval to set up ward meetings this month with all ward members to look at what work is regularly needed in the wards.

Christmas Lights

Orders will need to be placed by September at the latest. The Clerk asked for this to be included as an agenda item in July for further discussion and in the meantime to discuss ward requirements with the ward members.

Pontycymer Lake

The Clerk had contacted both NRW and BCBC and provided them with photos showing the current condition of the lakes. She had also asked for an update on the upper valley feasibility study and work and the reed cutting which could take place in the autumn.

Resolved: All information and action by the Clerk was noted. It was agreed to have further discussion on the Warden's role under the confidential section of the July meeting and it was agreed that the Clerk should hold ward meetings.

21/19 FINANCE & ACCOUNTS INCLUDING INTERNAL AUDIT AND CERTIFICATION

1. The accounts submitted totalling £10,266.82 for approval at the June 2018 Full Council Meeting were read and approved with the exception of the payment of £4,000 to Ffaldau School alarm. Therefore increasing the balance carried forward to July 2018 to **£112,966.07** and the income of £2.62 was noted from bank interest.

2. Internal audit and certification - the Clerk presented the annual statement and internal audit report to the council and this was accepted and approved. The balance carried forward for the year ending 31st March 2018 as per the bank reconciliation was £21,673.23.

Resolved: That the action and information given by the Clerk was approved. The Receipts and Payments for June 2018 were authorised and accepted. The Chair and Clerk certified the annual statement for 2017/18. Councillor Walters as Community Council representative at Ffaldau School was asked to make further enquiries about the cost of the alarm and the amount of money raised via fundraising following the burglary and report back at the July meeting.

22/19 CORRESPONDENCE

Resolved: The items of Correspondence were noted, the Clerk drew attention to the consultations, surveys and invitations for this month as well as the email from a resident about bat boxes and litter on the Community Path, the request to help find relatives of Richard Takle and the request from Coity and Bridgend Responders to

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attend any future events. The Clerk was asked to pass on the request for help in finding relatives of Richard Takle to the Garw Valley Heritage Society who may be able to help. No other action was requested on any items of correspondence although any suggestions were noted.

23/19 PLANNING MATTERS

1. All applications and appeal information was noted.

Resolved: No objections were raised to any of the planning applications.

24/19 ITEMS FOR THE JULY 2018 ORDINARY MEETING

- Venues for Meetings
- Updated Standing Orders
- Christmas Lighting
- Financial Donation Policy
- Role of the Council/llor and What Councillors want to Achieve in the next year and next 3 years.

Resolved: This was noted and the agenda would be kept open for items received during the month.

25/19 DATE & VENUE FOR THE NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held at Bettws Life Centre on Monday 16th July 2018 at 6.30pm

The meeting closed at 8.45 pm