
ABER VALLEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL
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MINUTES OF THE ABOVE COUNCIL HELD AT SENGHENYDD COMMUNITY CENTRE,
ON THURSDAY 14th MARCH 2013

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairperson: Councillor J. Taylor

Councillors: M. E. Battle, D. Berry, G. Bowen, E. P. Prendergast, J. Roberts,
M. Stretch

APOLOGIES:

Councillors: L. Binding, P. Mitchell, B. Morris

2634/13 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the Community Council meeting held on 14th February 2013 were approved as a true record.

2635/13 MATTERS ARISING

2628/13 (2621/13 a) Off Road Bikes / Quad Bikes

The Clerk updated Members with correspondence received from Caerphilly County Borough Council.

2636/13 POLICE MATTERS

P.C.S.O. Ian Williams of Gwent Police attended the meeting and reported on the following matters:

- (a) Warrant at Greenfield Place, Abertridwr – positive result.
- (b) Criminal damage at Thomas Street and Aberfawr Road, Abertridwr – person arrested.
- (c) Wheelie bins stolen at William Harries Bungalows and Coed Cae Road.
- (d) Ongoing work regarding off-road bikes.
- (e) Air rifles being used on Senghenydd rugby field – shooting spotlights.

P.C.S.O. Ian Williams requested the Community Council meeting dates for the rest of the year – the Clerk to e-mail the dates accordingly.

Members reported on the following matters:

- (i) Members requested parking tickets be issued to vehicles parking on the junction / double yellow lines at the SPAR in Abertridwr.
- (ii) Fires being set on Eglwysilan Common.
- (iii) Lorry parked at Commercial Street on the junction to Gwern Avenue, Senghenydd.
- (iv) Cars speeding up and down Gwern Avenue, Senghenydd.
- (v) Members requested speed checks on the bend in the road at St Peter's Church, Senghenydd (Commercial Street side of the bend).

2637/13 **MEMBERS/PUBLIC MATTERS**

Members matters:

- (a) Members requested a Safety Barrier be put outside the entrance of Senghenydd Youth Drop In Centre – the Clerk to contact Caerphilly County Borough Council.
- (b) Tidy Towns – look into possible funding to be used to make further improvements along the Cycle Track.
- (c) Members reported asbestos sheets outside the Garage on High Street, Abertridwr – the Clerk to report to Caerphilly County Borough Council.
- (d) The speed camera at High Street, Abertridwr is not working properly – the Clerk to report to Caerphilly County Borough Council.
- (e) Big Spring Clean Initiative – the Clerk to contact Caerphilly County Borough Council to make a request for the Aber Valley ward.
- (f) Aberfawr Terrace, Abertridwr – litter/rubbish on the steps and surrounding area leading down towards the river – the Clerk to report to Caerphilly County Borough Council.
- (g) Litter/rubbish on the land (over the side of the fence) alongside the road leading from Abertridwr to Penyrheol – the Clerk to report to Caerphilly County Borough Council.
- (h) The Chairperson suggested Members report any fly tipping/rubbish as soon as possible to CCBC Public Services, or alternatively contact the Clerk with the details (as opposed to waiting until the next Community Council meeting).

2638/13 **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT**

The Chairperson has nothing to report.

CLERKS REPORT**(1) SECTION 'A' ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

Members noted the following matters:-

- (a) Aber Valley Community Council Budget.

(2) SECTION 'B' ITEMS FOR DECISION

- (a) SWALEC – Christmas Lighting

Invoice received from SWALEC for electricity relating to temporary unmetered Christmas lighting – £89.16 (including VAT). Members authorised the payment.

- (b) Five Man Community Cleansing Team

Members to identify and prioritise any areas that require additional cleansing and e-mail the Clerk with the details, so they can be incorporated into a schedule of work for the week concerned.

- (c) Kidney Wales Foundation

The Clerk to send an application form for financial assistance to Kidney Wales Foundation.

(3) ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO THE CLERK'S REPORT

- (a) Aber Valley Gardening Society – Horticultural Show

The Clerk conveyed a letter received from Barbara Turton informing the Community Council of the decision to wind up the society during the next few months – the Clerk to write a letter to Barbara Turton and members of Aber Valley Gardening Society to thank them for all the work they have done over the last 20 years.

- (b) Intergenerational Heritage Graffiti Project

The Clerk conveyed an e-mail from Councillor Paul Mitchell informing that SYDIC will be running an Intergenerational Heritage Graffiti Project on Saturday 13th April 2013. More details to follow.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on **Thursday 11th April 2013** at Abertridwr Community Centre.

The meeting closed at 7.40 pm