



CROESYCEILIOG AND LLANYRAFON COMMUNITY COUNCIL
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Caring for the Community

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on
Monday 22nd April at 6.00pm
Council Chamber, Woodland Road Sports & Social Centre, Croesyceiliog

Present: Cllr S O'Dobhain Cllr V Williams
Cllr S Matthews Cllr M Price
Cllr D Dewar Cllr N Davies
Cllr C Crick Cllr D Payton
Cllr J Boycott Cllr L Boycott
Cllr V Crick

Sian Davies, Clerk
Kelly Lewis, Administrator
James Llewellyn, Aaron Richards, Joe O'Connor, Gwent Police

1. Apologies for absence

Cllr D Williams

2. Declarations of Interest

Cllr M Price – Chair of Hwb, Community Garden

Cllr J Boycott – Community Garden

Cllr S O'Dobhain – Mic Morris Trustee

Cllr C Crick – CCYP

Cllr N Davies - CCYP

3 Minutes

3.1 Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held 25th March 2024 were approved as an accurate record.

RESOLVED: Members approved

3.2 **Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 25th March 2024.**

None

3.3 **To receive draft minutes of Business Planning Committee of 10th April 2024**

Noted

4. Financial Reports and Statements

4.1 Bank Statements

Bank Statement and Visa Card Statements.

RESOLVED: Members noted the statements

4.2 Cheque Payments List

Cheque payments list was received & approved.

RESOLVED: Members approved the payments

4.3 To receive the monthly Financial Report

5. Presentations & Representations

Dan Oliver of the Hwb

Dan Oliver was unable to attend and therefore Cllr M Price, Chair of Hwb presented members with the Hwb report, in support of their request for the continuation of financial support.

Cllr Price reiterated the background of Hwb and CLCC's partnership to ensure newer members were informed, and elaborated on the presented income and expenditure for Hwb including

CLCC's financial support which has supported additional funding sources through match funding, as well as the potential for future funding support subject to match funding.

Members were advised of the works and improvements currently being undertaken at HWB, and how Covid resulted in a delay in the works starting, thus resulting in the initial build costs increasing due to an increase in material and labour costs. However, members were reassured that sourcing of materials and labour has been employed locally. Members were also advised that income costs have reduced due to Covid as well as the works at the centre.

Future plans include further development of the building and an increase in revenue due to rental spaces for long term tenants who will hopefully support the community, as well as the building updates providing an inviting space for local groups and events to be held, and that the development of the centre provides affordable purposeful community facilities where revenue is going back into the community.

Cllr V Williams left the meeting at 6.55pm

Cllr M Price left the room at 7pm

Members agreed the presentation gave them a clear breakdown and insight into how Hwb has operated to date and their future plans. It was agreed that if financial support was stopped by CLCC it may not be viable for Hwb to continue and the CC's options would be for the building to close or to find a new partner to undertake the centre, as the precept was increased to support the building. Members agreed that Hwb provide an evident skill base, and the model they utilise allows them to obtain grant funding which is invested in the community. Members also agreed that the financial support given by CLCC so far has allowed Hwb to draw down funding through match funding, and so future support would further support them in drawing down additional funding monies through match funding.

Members unanimously agreed to commit to financially supporting Hwb for a further 2 years, with quarterly reports following the same model as presented this evening, as agreed in the SLA. It was also agreed that members expect an annual update regarding match funding and figures, and further updates if anything additional arises.

Cllr M Price returned to the room at 7.05pm

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Chair's Announcements

- None

7.

Clerk & Administrator Reports

Meetings Attended:

18.04.24 – TCBC Local Partnership meeting

Community Councils were asked to adopt the following protocol:

In general, enquiries between Community Councils and TCBC should be directed through the Clerk using the EEMEMBERS email. This enables enquiries to be properly logged and monitored and should allow for queries to be addressed within given timescales. It is acceptable that Councillors contact TCBC in the case of an emergency or to ring as a member of the public on matters which do not involve Council as a whole.

- Caroline Genever-Jones confirmed that the Community Review is still in the consultation period and could not give a completion date as she has to concentrate on the upcoming PCC election and is concerned there is also the threat of a general election which, if called, would set back the process further still. The next stage is for the Task & Finish group to review the collated responses submitted.
- David Leech has been contacted by the Lord Lieutenant to ask if any Councils wished to nominate anyone to receive an honour or award.
- David talked about the proposed Local Community Resilience Groups that Community Councils were discussing setting up, and confirmed he will be

compiling and forwarding a Terms of Reference for review. He assured the committee that the organisations who will attend group meetings will be professionals who can advise on how to approach each Council's chosen topic they wish to concentrate on.

- David also confirmed that the Charter between Community Councils and TCBC was almost complete and would be circulated to Clerks for review shortly.

Other business being addressed:

- Liaising with TCBC & Bron Afon to plant trees. TCBC have now confirmed that 3 new cherry trees have been planted at the end of the Boating Lake car park and 6 fruit trees have been replaced at the orchard. 2 native trees have been planted at White House Rd and 3 Oak trees have been planted at Llanyrafon Social Club.
- TCBC have confirmed they will inspect the planters at the Co-Op to enable schoolchildren to be involved in maintain them this week.
- TCBC replied that the lights in the car park at Woodland Rd are within the lease owned by Hwb and if they are to be reconnected to the street supply, Hwb would need to make a request. As these would be the ones needed for supplying Christmas tree lights, this would need addressing.
- Actioning matters arising from Council meetings.
- Actioning matters reported by individual Councillors where appropriate.
- Preparing for Year End – I am busy preparing for year end and the upcoming audits.
 - The Clerk to clarify the location of the planted trees at the Boating Lake
 - Members agreed the use of What 3 Words is beneficial in specifying the planting location
 - Cllr M Price to contact TCBC regarding the car park lights at Hwb

8. Planning Applications considered in advance of this meeting of Council:

CPULLE/24/P/0181/V AR	Renewal of planning permission 19/P/0364/HH for first floor extension and alterations The planning consent is due to lapse on the 22nd July 2024 The applicant requires another 5 years extension of time on the application to give enough time to tender the project, nominate a builder and get started on site.	The Gables, 60 Turnpike Road, Croesyceiliog The above	Members noted
CPULLE/24/P/0191/H H	Proposed part two storey part single storey rear extension and front porch	36 Caernarvon Crescent, Llanyravon, Cwmbran	Members noted
CPULLE/24/P/0206/H H	Proposed Porch	52 Beaumaris Drive, Llanyravon, Cwmbran	Members noted
TBRA/24/P/0207/TPO	Felling of 21 trees , reduce height up to 40% of T3	Hollytree Cottage, Mill Lane, Llanyravon	Members noted

9. Members Reports – Meetings of Outside Bodies:

- Cllr V Crick – advised members that the Friends of Bruchsal are seeking to appoint a support officer. Also at the next meeting relating to the Cwmbran 75th anniversary they will discuss plans for a choir from Bruchsal to visit Cwmbran and a small group of representatives from Cwmbran to visit Bruchsal to celebrate 40 years of Bruchsal becoming an integrated area and 45 years of Friends of Bruchsal. Members were also advised that the logo to celebrate Cwmbran’s 75th anniversary has been agreed and will be used to advertise the event.
- Cllr C Crick – attended a meeting with Torfaen Museum Trust and reported they have received funding from TCBC and are moving forward with plans
- Cllr S Matthews, Cllr N Davies and the Clerk – attended a partnership meeting. The Clerk confirmed that Clerks will soon have access to TCBC’s mapping system.

Cllrs J & L Boycott left the meeting at 7.15pm

10. Items for consideration:

10.1 Local Community Resilience Group – Consider creating a new Council Committee and to administer quarterly meetings

- Members were advised that BP are supportive of the committee provided the agenda is decided by members. Members agreed to discuss the committee at the AGM

10.2 CCYP

- Members anticipated further information relating to a future meeting invite at CCYP however Cllr C Crick and Cllr N Davies who are representatives advised members that a recent meeting has not been held and members will be updated following the next meeting at CCYP. Members agreed to re-agenda for the following meeting.

11. Any Other Business

Gwent Police

PC Aaron Richards – ward manager of Llanyrafon Grange and Town Centre, PC Joe O’Connor – Neighbourhood Enforcement, and Llanyrafon PCSO James Llewellyn of Gwent Police attended the meeting to provide members with a local update. Members were advised that the main concern within the ward relates to parking, particularly on Llanyrafon Way outside the school, and that Gwent Police are continuing to work with the school and mini police to raise awareness and support parking issues. It was also explained that new powers are being introduced to allow police officers to tour and enforce parking. Members were advised that other concerns relate to thefts and anti-social behaviour at Llanyrafon shops and thefts/break ins to contractor vans and tools, which has seen an increase in Croesyceiliog. Members queried the powers police officers have relating to intelligence received around stolen goods, and was advised that there are restrictions on entering property, and that any warrant applications must be supported by credible intelligence.

Members found the update beneficial and asked if there was anything the Community Council could do to support, and were advised that if any information is witnessed or received can be reported via 101 or through Facebook messenger.

Members requested a breakdown of local incidents including traffic incidents to be organised for the next visit and were appreciative of the visit and acknowledgement of regularly updating the Community Council.

Mic Morris Trust – request for support

Council agreed to make a donation of £100 to assist with the costs of holding the Mic Morris 10K and Golf Tournament being held soon. Clerk to advise the Trust and generate a payment for presentation at the May Full Council meeting.

12.	Date of Next Meetings Business Planning Meeting – Wednesday 08.05.2024 commencing 6pm AGM – Wednesday 20.05.24 commencing 5.30pm Full Council Meeting – Monday 20.05.2024 commencing immediately after the AGM
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There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was concluded at 7.45pm

Signed:..... (Chair) – 20.05.24