

Ogmore Valley Community Council

Cyngor Cymuned Cwm Ogwr



Minutes of the Full Council Meeting

Cofnodion Cyfarfod Llawn y Cyngor

Tuesday 30 July 2019, 6.30 pm at Blackmill Community Centre
Dydd Mawrth 30 Gorffennaf 2019, 6.30 pm yng Nghanolfan Gymunedol Blackmill

Members Present

Cllr Lee-Anne Hill (Chairperson)
Cllr Janet Harris
Cllr Angela Jones
Cllr Margaret Lloyd
Cllr Andy McKay
Cllr Dhanisha Patel
Cllr Richard Shakeshaft

Anne Wilkes - Temporary Clerk of the Council
Laura Williams - Temporary Assistant Clerk/Responsible Finance Officer

42 Apologies for Absence

Cllr Andrew Davies - attending a football meeting
Cllr Geunor Evans - no transport
Cllr Ryan Mock - personal matter

Resolved: members unanimously accepted the apologies for absence

43 Public Address (an opportunity for members of the public to bring any issues to the attention of the council) TEN MINUTE SESSION ONLY

Mr PW referred to the agenda item on possible provision of floral displays in the future. He was very concerned about the litter, weeds, overhanging shrubs onto

public footpaths/pavements and that small seating areas need clearing. Mr W appreciated what has been done and hoped that street cleaning etc would be done before the council introduce floral displays.

The Clerk was asked to confirm frequency of weed spraying by Bridgend CBC and advertise for volunteers to take on maintenance of their own areas. The Clerk was also requested to investigate if any contractors may be interested grounds maintenance works.

Mr GR of Blackmill informed members that he is taking the lead on installations of defibrillators throughout the OVCC area and is now a First Responder.

The Chairperson, Cllr Lee-Anne Hill thanked both members of the public for their interest and addressing Council.

- 44 Declarations of Interest in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct & Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 - none**

- 45 To consider any applications for Co-option: Evanstown and Nantymoel Ward Vacancies - no applications received**

- 46 Ratification of Minutes of the Full Council Meeting 25 June 2019**
Resolved: that the minutes were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairperson. Proposed by Cllr Dhanisha Patel, seconded by Cllr Richard Shakeshaft

- 47 Ratification of Minutes of the Policy & Strategy Meeting 2 July 2019**
Deferred as the Clerk did not have time to prepare the minutes. The minutes would be presented on 24 September 2019

- 48 Ratification of Minutes of the Finance & General Committee Meeting 9 July 2019**
Resolved: that the minutes were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairperson. Proposed by Cllr Dhanisha Patel, seconded by Cllr Richard Shakeshaft

49 Matters of Report by the Clerk on the previous meeting

Item 38 Building Control, Bridgend CBC confirmed that they had written to the owner of Bethany Chapel, Ogmore Vale - no response to date.

**50 To consider Correspondence received since the last meeting
(no decisions to be made on this item)**

1. Mr Richard Walters, Operations Manager, Gilfach Goch Community Association - update on plans for the Re-Dedication of the Cenotaph at Evanstown (2.7.19)
2. Wales Air Ambulance - letter of thanks for the donation of £50.
3. Social Services, Bridgend CBC - Experiencing Dementia 1 Day Training Course, 17 and 19 July, Bridgend Life Centre, 9.30 am - 4.30 pm (11.7.19)
4. Mr John Rees, Operations Officer, Street Scene, Bridgend CBC - would like to present a project for schools at a future council meeting, based on a recent successful 'Porthcawl love it don't trash it'.
<https://www.bridgend.gov.uk/news/love-porthcawl-don-t-trash-it/>

Members agreed that Mr Rees may present the information at a future meeting. The Clerk to confirm the date.

5. One Voice Wales - invitation to the Conference and AGM 5 October 2019, Bont Pavilion, Pontrhydfendigaid. Reduced fees up to 31 August 2019 for early booking. (16.7.19)
6. Mark Blackmore REACH/Cllr Dhanisha Patel - Ogmore Washeries options appraisal. Reach Rural Development had applied to the Thriving Rural Communities Fund on behalf of OVCC and has been successful in securing funding to carry out an options appraisal. (16.7.19)
7. Cllr Margaret Lloyd - has supplied photo's of Ogmore Vale Play Park on 16 July which does not cater for all age groups, only one infant swing, 2 slides with numerous dents, no maypole, only the pole left. The equipment needs painting and the soft floor surface is in tack. The Clerk has forwarded to Parks, BCBC and our Borough Councillors have been informed on 22.7.19
8. One Voice Wales - P is for People questionnaire from the Welsh Senate of Older People about public toilet provision. (18.7.19)

9. Resident CE - concerns about the condition of Nantymoel Skate park. Young people are sweeping and litter picking before they are able to use it. Suggested that it is not fit for purpose due to the many people who use it - needs updating and more ramps. The Clerk has emailed Parks, BCBC, copied in our Borough Councillors for comment. (21.7.19)
10. Mr Andrew Mason, Rights of Way Manager, Bridgend CBC - Mr Mason had written to OVCC in 2008 to ask if the council wished to engage in an Agency Agreement to maintain Public Rights of Way. Currently this Council would be able to re-claim £4,447.90 per annum for the maintenance of the 101.9 Km (approx 63 miles) of public rights of way with the OVCC area. Sixteen of the twenty Town & Community Councils have signed an agreement with BCBC.

Mr Mason would be happy to answer any questions and/or attend a meeting to explain the Agency Agreement.

The Clerk informed members that not all paths and bridle ways need to be maintained, only those that the council may want to keep accessible. The Clerk would request an electronic definitive map and descriptions.

11. An incident of fly-tipping had been reported to the Clerk on the sheep market in Blackmill on Saturday 20 July from Mrs S M. This matter had been reported to Clean up the County, Bridgend CBC, Shared Regulatory Services and Natural Resources Wales.

51 Report on Pant-y-Wal Wind Farm Funding

The Clerk had expressed concern that only one application for 2020 had been received. The closing date being 30 September 2019. The Clerk would promote on social media, directing residents to the Council's website and advising to either download or contact her for an application form.

A number of groups had contacted the Clerk, wondering when the grants would be paid out.

52 Plan for Christmas Lighting 2019

An informal meeting to discuss the Christmas lights would take place on 9 August 2019.

53 To consider arrangements for Remembrance Poppy Displays

Cllr Patel would like the primary schools be involved: Nantymoel, Ogmore Vale, Abercerdin and Ysgol Gynradd Gymraeg Cwm Garw. The Council agreed to purchase 20 event poppies for each Ward at approximately £3.50 each. The Clerk would liaise with Mr Colin Hill, Bridgend CBC regarding installation of the poppies and determine whether there would be a charge. The Remembrance Budget - £500.

Resolved: that members unanimously agreed to donate £20 to each Primary School and purchase 80 event poppies £280.

54 To consider quotations for Floral Displays 2020

Two quotations had been received and a third would be presented on 24 September 2019. The Clerk informed members that if they wish to provide this service the appointed contractor would need to know by the end of September at the latest. There is no current budget and present and if Council want to provide the service Laura Williams/Responsible Finance Officer advised that the precept would need to be increased.

55 No item

56 To confirm a donation of £1,000 to Little Fingers, Evanstown Community Centre under the power of the Future Generations & Well-Being Act 2015

The Annual Funday raises funds for community trips throughout the year and the Children's Club, which supports families and children twice weekly on Tuesdays and Thursdays with after school Club for educational and fun free play activities, affordable for all. Seventy plus children attend every week.

Resolved: that the annual donation of £,1000 was proposed by Cllr Andy McKay, seconded by Cllr Dhanisha Patel and all in favour

57 To consider any matters in relation to Blackmill Youth & Community Centre and quotations for repairs to the boundary wall

Ownership of the BYCC had been discussed. Not registered with Land Registry but under the care of Ogmore Valley Community Council since 1974/5, previously owned by Blandy Jenkins Estates and Ogmore & Garw District Council.

The Management Committee had met with members regarding the ingress of water, urgent need for a new roof and other matters. A template lease agreement would be drawn up by the Clerk for approval by Council and Management Committee, clearly outlining responsibilities of both.

Resolved: that the Clerk request quotation for a new roof to Blackmill Youth and Community Centre

58 Finances

- (a) **Formal approval of payments**
Resolved: that Cllr Janet Harris proposed, seconded by Cllr Angela Jones that the payments were approved. All in favour.
- (b) **Formal approval of the Bank Reconciliation as at 30 June 2019**
Resolved: that Dhanisha Patel proposed, seconded by Cllr Richard Shakeshaft that the payments were approved. All in favour.
- (c) **To approve the revised budget as recommended by the Finance & General Committee 9 July 2019**
Resolved: that Cllr Angela Jones proposed, seconded by Cllr Dhanisha Patel that the revised budget was approved. All in favour.
- (d) **To approve the purchase of office equipment and software**
Resolved: that Cllr Lee-Anne Hill proposed the purchase of two laptops and software at £1,677.60 and £276 respectively. Seconded by Cllr Janet Harris and all in favour.
- (e) **Report from the Responsible Finance Officer**
The RFO provided detailed accounting information and up to date expenditure against the budget.

The question of printing/stationery costs had been raised at previous meetings:

2017/18 Printing:	£306.02	Stationery:	£149.81
2018/19 Printing:	£113.62	Stationery:	£80.33
2019/20 Printing:	£265.85	Stationery:	£76.14
to date			

£70.85 of the £265 is from the previous year, therefore this year today is £195.

59 To consider Applications for Donations by local community groups, Sport Clubs and charities

- (a) Lewistown/Pantyrwel TRA - request to cover the cost of lighting at the multi Use Games Area in Lewistown - £350 per annum
- (b) Ogmores Valley Male Voice Choir - new carpet in their community building - £300
- (c) Ogmores Valley Local History Society - contribution to the cost of their annual book launch - £250

Resolved: that members unanimously agreed to the above requests, totalling £900 under The Future Generation and Well Being Act 2015

60 To receive a Report from the Clerk

The Clerk had requested annual leave commencing 12 August 2019 for five days.

61 To receive Reports from The Chairperson - none

62 To receive Reports from Members of the Council

Cllr Maragaret Lloyd had attended a performance of Legally Blonde at Coleg Y Dderwen and Ogmores Vale Primary School leavers event.

Cllr Dhanisha Patel informed members of play through the medium of Welsh at Blackmill Industrial Estate, Welsh Government funded.

Cllr Andy McKay had made a nomination to BAVO. Cllr McKay stated that the free dog bag scheme at the sheep sale site was proving very successful.

Cllr McKay had said that groups were thrilled with the Pant y Wal Wind Farm grants and their successful applications.

63 To confirm the date, time and venue of the Full Council Meeting

Resolved: that the Full Council Meeting would be Tuesday 24 September 2019, 6.30pm at Blackmill Youth & Community Centre

64 To received Agenda items for September 2019 - none

65 To consider any Planning Applications and issues

1. P19/491/RES Land between 33 & 39 Station Road, Nantymoel
Reserved matters to P/16/816/OUT for 2 dwellings (16.7.19)
2. P/19/504/FUL 10 Dan y Coed, Blackmill
Single storey rear extension (18.7.19)

The meeting closed at 9.25 pm

.....

Signature of the Chairperson, Cllr Lee-Anne Hill

.....

Date

FULL COUNCIL MEETING 24 September 2019

Matters of Report from the last meeting

Item 38: Bethany Chapel - no further information received from Building Control, Bridgend CBC. The Clerk had requested an update.

Items 43 A number of volunteers had contacted the Clerk through social media and contact details for Cllr Margaret Lloyd and Priide had been provided.

Three expressions of interest had been received for grounds maintenance.

Item 50.4 Mr John Rees would present information to Full Council on 29 October 2019.

Correspondence received since the previous meeting 30 July 2019

1. One Voice Wales - Older People's Commission for Wales Impact & Reach Report 2018/19. (emailed to councillors 1.8.19)
2. One Voice Wales - Legal Topic Note on Financial Assistance to Churches (emailed 5.8.19)
3. Wales Audit Office via One Voice Wales - Good Practice Exchange programme 2019/20
4. One Voice Wales - Long Forest Project, free app for Community Councils to survey hedgerows. (emailed 9.8.19)).
5. Bridgend CBC - Town & Community Council Fund 2020/21 - deadline for applications January 2020.
6. Bridgend Town Council - concerns about Bridgend Bus Station and about future financing implications from Bridgend CBC. Request for council's views on the short term running repairs, longer term solutions and level of financial support from this council. (20.8.19)
7. One Voice Wales - Welsh Government Framework for Wales Newsletter 008, August 2019. (emailed 21.8.19)
8. One Voice Wales - revised Model Financial Regulations, amendments to 2016 version.

9. Bridgend CBC, Democratic Services Manager - Data Protection Guidance for T & CC's (3.9.19)
10. One Voice Wales - reminder of their Conference and AGM 5 October 2019 at Bont Pavilion in Pontrydfendigaid.
11. One Voice Wales - Environment Wales Act 2016 - T & CC's Duty under Section 6 (9.9.19)
12. One Voice Wales - Bridgend/Cardiff/Vale Area Committee minutes of 22 July 2019. The next meeting would take place at 7.00 pm, Monday 28 October in the Lesser Hall, Cowbridge Town Hall.
13. BAVO - BCBC Budget discussion dates: 2 October, 10 - 11.30 at The Courthouse, Maesteg and 24 October, 6 - 7.30 pm at St John's Centre, Minerva Street, Bridgend (9.9.19)
14. One Voice Wales - Welsh Government survey for Clerk's to find out more about the sector's use of digital mechanism to engage, meet and share information with communities. Open until Friday 8 November 2019.
15. Bridgend CBC, Mr Richard Matthams, Development Planning Manager - replacement Local Development Plan consultation on 'Preferred Strategy' for the plan between 30 September and 8 November 2019. Sessions delivered by Planning Aid Wales for councillors of Ynysawdre CC/Garw Valley/Ogmore Valley/St Brides Minor and Coychurch Higher will take place at Ynysawdre Parish Room on Monday 30 September 6 - 9pm.
16. One Voice Wales - Carnegie UK Trust
17. One Voice Wales - South Wales training schedule for councillors.

Donations Requests

1. The Ark Dementia Peer Support Network - financial support to fund their activities
2. St Barnabas Church - regrettably Town & Community Councils do not have the legal powers to provide financial support for religious groups and buildings of any denomination

Planning Applications/Issues

- (a) Appeal Refusal - 4 Hendre Avenue - retention of the rear first floor patio doors and steel balcony with supports

- (b) P/19/659/FUL - 40 Bryn Road, Ogmore Vale
Construction of two pairs of semi detached houses

OGMORE VALLEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

PAYMENTS TO BE APPROVED – 24/09/19

Payment Ref	Details	Amount
302015	Lewistown and Pantyrwel – grant agreed for the lighting of the Multi Use Games Area in Lewistown	£350.00
302016	Ogmore Valley Male Voice Choir – grant agreed to fit a new carpet in their community building	£300.00
302017	Ogmore Valley Local History Society – grant agreed to assist with the funding of their annual book launch	£250.00
302018 5030	One Voice Wales Consultancy Services Charge	£329.10
302019 SIN032406	2019 Summer Play Scheme at Ogmore Valley Life Centre	£4500.00
302020	Reimbursement to Temporary Clerk for postage	£2.26
302021	Reimbursement to Temporary RFO for book of 1 st class and 2 nd class stamps.	£15.72
302022	BCBC Removal of Christmas stars	£198.00
09/19	Temporary Clerk Salary as stated on Employer’s Summary	
09/19	Temporary Assistant/RFO Salary as stated on Employer’s Summary	
09/19	HMRC as stated on Employer’s Summary	

The above payments have been authorised by members of the Ogmore Valley Community Council to be paid

Signature: Date:

Print name:

Signature: Date:

Print name:

OGMORE VALLEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL - Bank reconciliation as at 31st July 2019

A/C 61150203	Current Account	£120585.57	
	14 Day Account	£15189.23	
	Instant Access	£12972.34	£148747.14
Minus unrepresented payments			
	301987	£1677.60	
	301988	£261.00	
	301989	£120.00	
	301990	£7.25	
	301991	£423.30	
	301992	£680.00	
	301993	£30.00	
	301994	£99.56	
	301995	£80.00	
	301996	£56.00	
	301997	£27.00	
	301998	£1115.95	
	301999	£416.00	
	302000	£243.42	
			-£5227.08
			£143520.06

Bank reconciliation as at 30th August 2019.

A/C 61150203	Current Account	£114276.45	
	14 Day Account	£15189.23	
	Instant Access	£12972.34	£142438.02
Minus unrepresented payments			
	302002	£150.00	
	302003	£150.00	
	302004	£150.00	
	302005	£150.00	
	302006	£150.00	
	302008	£150.00	
	302009	£150.00	
	301010	£150.00	
	302011	£150.00	
			-£450.00
			£141988.02