# On Tuesday, 18 May 2010 the AGM of Trefeurig Community Council was held in Neuadd y Penrhyn, Penrhyncoch at 7.30 pm and was followed by the Business Meeting

7.00 pm: No members of the public attended the Open Meeting advertised for 7.00 pm but Neighbourhood Policing Officer PC 973 Hefin Jones was present and was invited to address the Meeting. PC Jones discussed proposals for improving PACT Meetings including wider distribution of posters and press and radio announcements. Turning to local matters that were of concern to the public, speeding, parking etc he assured the members that the Police are aware of the problems and improved methods of dealing with them are under review. After responding to a number of questions he was warmly thanked for attending by the Chair and all those present and left the Meeting at 7.30 pm

7.30 pm: Annual General Meeting:

PRESENT: Cllrs R Owen (Chair), D Sheppard; Trefor Davies; Mrs G Price; Mrs E Davies; Mrs

K Walker; D R Morgan; Tegwyn Lewis; D M Hughes; D Jones and clerk 2770 Apologies for absence were received from Cllr M Evans

2771 Personal Matters: None

**2009 AGM:** The Minutes of the 2009 AGM were distributed beforehand. These were confirmed at the Meeting held in June 2009

## 2773 Chairman's Report:

The Chairman thanked everyone for their support and help during the past year. He noted that several matters which arose in 2008/09 are still unresolved including the future of Trefeurig School as a Community Centre. At present the Development Group has secured only a one year lease. A change of postal address has been obtained for residents of Pen-bontrhydybeddau, but despite the help given by Elin Jones broadband reception is poor in some areas and the road condition has not improved. The severe weather and lack of grit bins also affected the area.

Regarding Penrhyncoch, the Chairman noted that some short-term road maintenance had been carried out on the road out of the village. The Monument had been damaged in November and was in the process of being repaired.

The Welsh-language Scheme has been adopted by the Council in accordance with the law and two future developments referred to last year are progressing: The Local Development Plan - the Council is part of that process; and also the scheme by SSE Renewables for a windfarm. No application has yet been submitted for the scheme but it is in the pipeline.

#### 2774 Election of Chairman for 2010/2011

The Vice-Chairman, Cllr Trefor Davies was invited and accepted the offer to become Chairman for the forthcoming year. He signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office form, received the Chain of Office and warmly thanked Councillor R Owen for his work on behalf of the Council during the past two years

#### 2775 Election of Vice-Chairman

Nominations for Vice-Chairman were invited and Cllr D Sheppard was unanimously proposed and seconded and agreed to accept

# 2776 Election of Committee Representatives:-

Neuadd y Penrhyn: Cllr Mrs G Price PATRASA: Cllr Mrs G Price Cae Chwarae Pen-bont: Cllr T Davies Hen Ysgol Trefeurig: Cllr T Davies

Cartref Tregerddan: Cllrs DR Morgan & Mrs G Price Un Llais Cymru: Cllrs K Walker & R Owen

Rhoserchan: Cllr D Jones
Press Reports: Cllr R Owen

Windfarm Liaison Group: Cllrs K Walker & R Owen

Penrhyncoch School

Governors: Cllr D M Hughes

## Business Meeting: 18 May, 2010:

- **Disclosure of Personal/Prejudicial Interest:** Cllr K Walker declared an interest in Minutes 2791/2792, payment of expenses, and left the meeting during the discussion of these items
- 2778 Confirmation of Minutes: It was RESOLVED to confirm as a true record the Minutes of the Meeting held on 20 April, 2010. The following matters arising from the Minutes were discussed:-

Minute 2497: Forestry Commission – Overhanging branches near Cwrt Villa, Penrhyncoch: An e-mail received from the Forestry Commission confirmed that work to cut back overhanging branches would be completed this month. RESOLVED to note Parking – Maeseilo entrance: Confirmation received from Dyfed-Powys Police that this matter will be dealt with

**Cambrian Mountains Society:** Confirmation that a representative of the Society will give a talk at the Council's July Meeting

**Proposed Windfarm at Nant y Moch:** Cllr R Owen's request to the Infrastructure Planning Commission (IPC) for information to be included in SSE Renewables environmental statement was read. RESOLVED to accept and support.

2779 Reports of Meetings attended by Members representing the Council:

Local Development Plan – Settlement Allocation: The Meeting at Canolfan Rheidol on 13 May, 2010 was attended by Cllr K Walker and the clerk. The Meeting discussed the estimated housing needs in Ceredigion between 2007-2022 (5,900 units); land allocation between the Urban Service Centres; The Rural Service Centres and the Linked Settlements. The process of assessment of candidate sites submitted for consideration

was explained, and each council was provided with a map showing all candidate sites submitted within their area together with a map of provisional land allocation in their area.

Following the above report, Copies of the maps and accompanying documents together with a questionnaire to be returned to Ceredigion were discussed. Disappointment was expressed that development in Penrhyncoch is mainly concentrated at the eastern edge of the settlement which will lead to increased traffic along the narrow road through the village, stretches of which still lack a footway.

It was RESOLVED that further consideration would be given to the questionnaire with a view to submitting a response

Site Meeting 27.04.10 re Planning Application A090873 – application to erect an agricultural shed west of Gwelfor: In their report on the site meeting the Councillors who had been present expressed dismay at what appeared to be a lack of courtesy by the Planning Committee members towards local residents stating their concerns and their views on the possible consequences of allowing development to take place on the boggy site under consideration

The council responded to correspondence/documents as follows:-

- **One Voice Wales:** A newsletter and two copies of "The Voice" magazine were received. These were passed to members to read.
- 2781 Enquiry from Ceredigion re preferred format for annual meeting between representatives of the County Council & Town & Community Councils. RESOLVED to respond to the questionnaire
- 2782 Ceredigion Local Access Forum Annual Report 2009: RESOLVED to note
- **Ombudsman Wales:** Copy of Guidance on the Code of Conduct for members of Local Authority in Wales. RESOLVED to read and note
- **Amenity Land at Dol Helyg, Penrhyncoch:** Follow-up letter from resident of Dol Helyg seeking response to an earlier request for the amenity land to be landscaped. RESOLVED to forward this letter to the Enforcement Officer at Ceredigion and to advise the letter writer of the action taken
- **2785 Shelter Cymru:** Invitation to a workshop on 25 May 2010. Cllr D Sheppard agreed to attend

### **Financial Matters**

- **Precept 2010/11:** Notification from Ceredigion that the 2010/11 precept of £13,000 has been paid into the Council's bank account
- **2787 VAT repayment:** Notification from HMRC that £297 Vat claim has been credited to the Council's account
- **HSBC Bank:** On 13 May 2010 the balance in the Council's Community Account stands at £14,192. 29 RESOLVED to transfer £11,000 to the M/Manager account
- 2789 HSBC Bank Mandate: A new HSBC Bank Mandate was circulated and signed by eight members present. It was RESOLVED that all cheques issued by CC Trefeurig CC will be signed by any two of the signatories and the clerk; and to abide by the resolutions set out by the bank in Section 5 of its mandate and signed on behalf of the Council by The Chairman, Cllr Trefor Davies, and the clerk

## It was RESOLVED to pay the following bills:

- 2790 Linda Griffiths: Translation April 2010 £63.70 cheque 987
- **2791 Clir K Walker:** Travel claim for Meetings 08/04/10; 15/04/10 & 13/05/10 88 miles @ 50.1p p/m + 20p passenger allowance: Total £44.28 cheque 988
- 2792 F J Walker: Renewal & Maintenance work to Interpretation Panels: £95 cheque 989
- 2793 YTDG: Room hire for April Meeting £10 cheque 990
- **Allianz Insurance 2010/11:** The amended renewal schedule is awaited. It was RESOLVED to authorize the clerk to get a cheque signed to pay the premium before the renewal date of 01.06.2010
- 2795 Annual Audit 2009/2010

The Annual Return form was presented to the Council.

<u>Section 1 – The Statement of Accounts</u>: The entries were checked against all relevant documents; approved by the Council and signed by the Chair and The Responsible Financial Officer (The Clerk)

<u>Section 2 – The Annual Governance Statement:</u> Statements 1-9 were read and agreed by the Council. Item 10 was not applicable. The Statement was approved, completed and signed by the Chair and the clerk

It was RÉSOLVED to forward the Annual Return Form and all related documents to the Internal Auditor

- 2796 PLANNING: The following planning decision was noted:
  - **A100086** 24 Glan Seilo, Penrhyncoch alterations & extensions permission granted The Council received the following applications for observations:
- **2797** A100138 West of Llwyn, Cwmerfyn Agricultural shed & new access: No observations
- **2798** A100194 21 Maes yr Efail, Penrhyncoch extension: No observations
- 2799 The next Meeting will be on Tuesday, 22 June 2010 in Hen Ysgol Trefeurig at 7.00 pm
- 2800 It was agreed to include the following items on the agenda:

Overturned grit bin on Cwmisaf hill, Penbontrhydybeddau

Overgrown hedge – Banc Maesmeurig, Penrhiwnewydd and on north side of road between Bronheulwen and Pengeulan, Penbontrhydybeddau

The Meeting closed at 9.25 pm