

HENLLYS COMMUNITY COUNCIL
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Meeting of Henllys Community Council held at the Village Hall on
Monday 13th May 2024 , following the AGM

MINUTES

1. Questions from the public.

L. Westerman requested the assistance of HCC in providing bus shelters at the stops by the Village Hall & by Llys Gwyrdd .

Cllr Thomas agreed to pursue this matter with TCBC .

D Leech also offered to pursue the matter .

2. In Attendance

Cllr's Waters , Everett ,Lewis , Smith-Higgins , Thomas , Burnett

Clerk

D Leech , TCBC

Apologies

Cllr Webb

3. Declaration of interests.

Cllr Burnett – Pontnewydd Male Choir

4. Approved minutes - 8th April 2024

5. No Matters arising and actions from those minutes .

6. Finance :

- Noted Income & Expenditure , year to date

7. Agreed Notes of Business Planning & Finance Working Group – 24th April 2024

8. Renewal of Insurances - It was agreed to accept Quote 1 £1066.24 .

9 . Henllys Way Park – Letter to TCBC

D Leech apologised for the delayed response .

10 . Henllys Way Park – Application for the registration of land as a Village Green

It was agreed to prepare the application .

11. Grant Applications

- Ty Hafan Children's Hospice , a grant of £150 was agreed
- Friends of Kids Cancer Charity , a grant of £150 was agreed
- Cwmbran Swimming Club , a grant of £250 was agreed
- Pontnewydd Male Choir , a grant of £150 was agreed

12. Chair's report

Due to being ill with a chest infection I only attended one meeting last month. This was the Local Partnership Meeting, chaired by Councillor Peter Jones.

The Communities Review was discussed. It was clear from the discussion there are several community councils unhappy with both the process, the lack of transparency and details given to the community councils following the first part of the consultation. TCBC's consultation document was also criticised for containing incorrect data about the level of representation across Torfaen by community councillors. The dates (deadlines) originally published were no longer viable due to the work in organising the Police Commissioner elections. There maybe a further delay to the consultation if a general election is called in July.

There was further discussion about how Community Councils engage with TCBC Officers. Contact should only be made by the Clerk. Dave Leech stated that the deadline for replying to emails was 10 working days. I put on record that Henllys CC were lucky to get a reply as most of the Clerk's emails were ignored!

Dave Leech promised to circulate the One Voice Wales Charter about the process of engagement between TCBC and CCs.

13. .AOB

- LNR representatives joined the meeting & referred to issues working with TCBC :
 - Prompt response in relation to a pollution incident
 - Communication difficulties with the Ranger & other colleagues
 - Attempts to work in partnershipD Leech to pursue these matters .
- Cllr Thomas advised the police are planning to address the use of off-road motor-bikes

Date of next meeting – 10th June 2024

