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Minutes of the Meeting held at 6:30pm, September 20 2021 held online via Microsoft Teams

PRESENT: Councillors Mike Sherwood, Stuart Thomas, Karen Thomas, Sandie Rosser, Sara Pickard, Teresa Filipponi, Amanda Thorpe, Ian Jones, John Harrison, Jena Quilter

Rt Hon Mark Drakeford AS/MS

Members of the public:
Colin Belward, CRC
Mike Colley, Pentyrch Neighbourhood Watch

In attendance: Helena Fox, Clerk

- 1. To receive apologies for absence:** Cllrs Ellis Owen, Simon Roberts, Gary Dixon; Cllr Gavin Hill-John Leave of absence for Cllrs W Ellis Owen and Roberts was extended to November.
- 2. To receive any declarations of interest:** there were none.
- 3. To discuss local issues with Mark Drakeford AS/MS:** written questions from PCC Members were sent to Mark Drakeford in advance. They are copied below with written answers also provided in advance:

Cllr Sherwood invited Mr Drakeford to address the council. He thanked PCC for the opportunity to attend noting that this is the 10th year of visiting with PCC. He attends to listen to what PCC is discussing and to hear directly what PCC is working on and where his constituency office can help. Mr Drakeford looked forward to listening to the business of the council for as long as he could stay and was happy to respond to any questions.

Cllr Sherwood asked for a little more information on transport in the PCC area. The responses below were very interesting but the age demographic in the PCC areas is higher than normal. Are there any broader plans for public transport for the area?

Mark Drakeford replied that active travel plans for Cardiff are very important even though they cannot be used by everyone. There are some routes that could be improved to link areas and e-bikes will help some people too. Bus services have had a very difficult time during the pandemic: passengers are at 30% of previous numbers. At one point it was costing £100 for every bus journey in Wales and is still costing millions in subsidy to keep services running. Providers are being urged to maintain the network and pressures are very real. Mr Drakeford was sorry to see that the Fflecsi bus is still causing problems. Across Wales this system has been successful as a demand-responsive transport system and more funds than before are supporting it. It is hoped that this will improve in the PCC area. The possibility of opening the old rail line to Creigiau is part of a 3-stage process. Stages 1 and 2 have completed and funding for stage 3 (the most important) is complete. It will look at challenging issues especially in the Danescourt/Fairwater area. It would offer a completely new link to the NW of Cardiff, opening new potential for travel in and out of Cardiff.

Cllr K Thomas emphasised the concerns in the community about the plans to relocate Pentyrch surgery which are particularly focussed on transport to the proposed site.

Mr Drakeford met with the Health Board last week and with the Community Health Council in the summer. The new services at the new site will be very important for NW Cardiff but there are real issues for those who cannot reach it by car. Mr Drakeford has focussed on this in the meetings. Flexible and manageable ways are needed.

Cllr Harrison noted that the Fflecsi bus service problems in Gwaelod y Garth do not give confidence for something similar for Pentyrch. There is a lack of faith in the service.

Mr Drakeford will try to get Cardiff's Cabinet Member, Caro Wild, to meet with a small group of PCC Members and his office will work with the Clerk to set this up.

Cllr Rosser noted that many elderly people do not have mobile phones or smart phones so cannot use the App for the Fflecsi bus and thus cannot use the bus.

Mr Drakeford said that was important to make this point with Caro Wild. In other parts of the country technology has been provided to people so that they can access a range of public services. There are creative ways of solving some of these problems.

Here are the written questions/answers submitted and supplied in advance of this meeting:

Cllr Ian Jones: There has been a focus on active travel in Wales and whilst this is to be applauded and works well in inner city areas where walking and cycling are viable alternatives to private car use, in our communities and especially in Pentyrch, cycling and walking are much more impractical alternatives due to the current road network and lack of safe routes in and out of the village.

Is there any help available to us as a community and Community Council in providing things like electric vehicle charging infrastructure and electric buses to encourage greener travel? Perhaps an electric bus that could carry cycles to link in with the existing cycle network and the Metro but avoiding the treacherous country lanes and Pentyrch Hill that are only really viable for particularly brave, experienced and fit cyclists?

- To note: In April 2021, Cardiff Bus has confirmed it has placed an order for 36 of the latest battery-electric buses, believed to be the biggest single order placed outside of London to date. The 36 Yutong E12 zero-emission buses will be on the roads in the city from the end of 2021 and will lead to a transformation of how Cardiff's bus network is delivered. This represents a collaboration between Cardiff Bus and Cardiff Council, funded by a UK Government grant.
- OvoBike (recently rebranded from NextBike due to sponsorship) have recently in August introduced e-bikes and stations in Cardiff, with fifty new electric bikes and six electric stations. A further 75 e-bikes and nine stations will be rolled out at a later date, taking the fleet up to 125 e-bikes. Pentyrch has neither an e-bike nor a "normal" bike station. Mark has now written to the Council to request a station in Pentyrch. A copy is attached.

Cllr Mike Sherwood: SE Wales Transport Commission. I attended their open sessions on behalf of PCC. There was a clear recommendation to set a fixed speed limit on the M4 around Newport. This has been set to a fixed 50mph. Why then are those in the control room still allowed to meddle with the overhead gantry signs? After a period of relatively smooth flowing traffic chaos has returned.

What has been the improvement in air quality since the 50mph was introduced as the stated reason is to improve air quality?

To note: The permanent 50mph limit with average speed enforcement between junctions 24 and 28 on the M4 was introduced on Monday, 15 March. The measure forms part of Welsh Government's approach to tackling congestion in the area as recommended by Lord Burns' report following the work carried out by the South East Wales Traffic Commission.

The change is intended to: help manage congestion issues along this stretch of the M4, improve journey times and provide smoother traffic flows, reduce the risk of accidents, and improve air quality by reducing emission levels. The speed limit was only a small part of the Burns' report recommendations and the Welsh Government continues its work to implement many of the others.

Cllr Sandie Rosser: residents in Gwaelod y Garth are not receiving a reliable public transport service from the Ffecs bus. There are many examples of bookings failing including an older woman who had to walk 2-3 miles home with shopping because the Ffecs bus driver was not allowed to take her home because the office had no record of her booking. We need and deserve an appropriate transport service which is suitable for our village. This service is not suitable for the elderly and vulnerable members of our society - but these are the people who need it the most for social and mental wellbeing and independence.

In an email from Mark Drakeford to Caro Wild, Cardiff Council, dated 3rd September 2020 he states, "In previous correspondence between my office and the Local Authority (CM41727) it was stated that re-tendering of the supported service in September 2019 officers would stipulate a smaller wheelchair accessible bus is used".

What has happened to the re-tendering of the contract and the assurance that PCC would be able to see the contract? Also, when is the trial period with Ffecs finishing?

- Mark Drakeford's office chased and received a response to the 3 September letter in November 2020 which we here share again.
- In brief, the response seemed reasonably promising and spoke to a number of improvements implemented during the trial. The context remains very difficult with the coronavirus pandemic and its impact on passenger numbers. This was given as a reason the tender process is on hold.

Cllr John Harrison: When the last Boundary Commission changes took place there was a fear that Public Transport would be a great concern especially when Cardiff Bus Services did not embrace our areas, although Cardiff were more than happy to gobble up our rates and now community charges. I feel the PCC should express serious concerns to Cardiff and work towards a much improved sustainable Local Bus Transport Service to all our Communities.

- Mark regularly corresponds with bus companies, including Cardiff Bus, to request more routes, more regular services, and to object to any proposed reductions in services.
- Mark wrote only last week about the 63 service serving Pentyrch, and I attach the response from Cardiff Bus.
- To note: in July, Cardiff Council's Cabinet agreed to undertake public consultation and engagement to develop a new Bus Strategy for Cardiff. The initial proposals of what will be consulted can be found in the Cabinet report attached.
- The powers of the local authority to commission specific routes and/or subsidise them are limited by legislation. Welsh Government is intending to legislate during this term to address this and "re-regulate" bus services. It is due to publish its own Bus Strategy in the autumn, which will contain more detail of future direction and policy.

Cllr Karen Thomas: The communities of Pentyrch, Gwaelod y Garth and Creigiau are poorly served by public transport – both within the communities and to the wider public transport network.

Pentyrch is particularly 'remote' in terms of public transport, with a complete absence of any cycling routes – and with no formal walking routes, only rural footpaths.

Gwaelod suffers particularly as it has no local shop and residents have to travel elsewhere for the most basic commodities.

It seems that Cardiff CC and TfW are giving a lot of attention to other areas, but it seems the PCC area is completely ignored when improvement plans are formulated.

TfW has overall responsibility for running Public Transport in Wales, and in December 2020 also took responsibility for managing the Welsh Government's Active Travel Fund to improve walking and cycling routes.

How will Pentyrch connect to the Active Travel Network?

PCC asks for Mr Drakeford's views on these issues and also for what actions can and will be taken to bring about the much-needed improvements.

Help is also requested on the specific issue of a regular and reliable public transport service to the proposed new Pentyrch Surgery site at Rhydlafer; and with the ongoing problems with the Flecsi bus service for Gwaelod .

- Mark is due to meet representatives from the local health board as well as the chair of the Community Health Council in the coming weeks in relation to the proposed surgery at Rhydlafer, and will be happy to send an update to the clerk afterwards.
- Mark wrote to Cardiff Council about the cycleways earlier this year asking that the segregated cycleways programme be extended throughout Cardiff West (correspondence attached). In brief, Cycleway 4 is intended to go all the way through Plasdŵr and on to Creigiau. The Llandaff sections have recently been consulted and the network is heading out to northwest Cardiff in stages.
- All this is in the "Active Travel Network Map", which maps current and proposed walking and cycling routes. Welsh Government made ATNM a statutory requirement in the Active Travel Act. These maps need to be refreshed every three years. Cardiff Council are currently consulting on the new version to submit to Welsh Government in December 2021, and it is possible to comment on the Pentyrch proposals. The consultation is here: <https://cardiffatnm.commonplace.is/>
- In brief, the Pentyrch proposals are a walking/cycling route joining the Pentyrch village and Gwaelod-y-Garth to the Taff trail, and a walking route up the hill into Gwaelod-y-Garth.
- Many of the active travel proposals are grant funded through the Welsh Government's Active Travel Fund – this year £75million has been awarded, and the fund has grown significantly since being started with £10m in 2018. Local authorities propose schemes and bid for this funding.

Cllr Stuart Thomas: In recent elections Welsh Government has run advertising campaigns to encourage electors to register to vote. Bearing in mind the Wales Government's desire to encourage more elections in the Town and Community Council sector, does government have any plans to run a similar campaign to encourage more electors to stand for elections to Town and Community Councils?

- It is only relatively recently that the Welsh Government acquired the powers to legislate on the procedure of local and Senedd elections. Reforms began last Senedd term, notably by extending the franchise to 16 and 17 year olds. There is an ongoing body of work to continue with electoral reforms. Mick Antoniw MS has been appointed as a Cabinet Member for the Constitution and he published a framework for electoral reform in July, setting out the key principles which include increasing accessibility and participation. <https://gov.wales/written-statement-framework-electoral-reform>
- In its programme for government, Welsh Government has committed to expand access to its Elected Office programme, which aims to increase diversity across all aspects of public life and tackle the barriers which prevent individuals' active participation in local democracy. More information can be found here: <https://gov.wales/written-statement-phase-two-diversity-democracy-programme-action-plan>

The Chairman adjourned the meeting for members of the public to speak.

4. Public and press session:

- 4.1. Colin Belward: asked if PCC was going to carry out land maintenance at Creigiau Rec in the next few months. Terrace Woodland: has PCC got any plans for it after the trees have been cleared?
- 4.1.1. Cllr Sherwood replied that PCC's tree surgeon produces a tree survey and unfortunately due to tree diseases PCC has to remove as indicated for safety. Taking the trees down creates an opportunity for those areas. At the moment, the priority is make sure that all risky trees have been removed.
- 4.1.2. Hedgerows: there are certain times when hedges should not be cut and we are just entering the season when cutting is allowed. All the tree work in Wales makes it difficult to book tree maintenance contractors.
- 4.1.3. PCC will continue to maintain the areas around the Rec that fall under PCC responsibility.
- 4.1.4. Lease: there is a lease in place and CRC have asked for a variation and this is in process. The Clerk will be passing on what PCC's solicitor has said to PCC and commented on the revised plan. It was hoped that that that does not hamper CRC's activities.

The Chairman reconvened the meeting.

5. To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on July 19 2021: The Minutes of the meeting were proposed as accurate by Cllr Harrison seconded by Cllr K Thomas. All agreed. They will be signed by the Chairman with an electronic signature.

6. To approve the Minutes of the Planning Committee Meetings held August 4, 24, September 1 2021:

- 6.1. The Minutes of the meeting held 4.8.21 were proposed as accurate by Cllr K Thomas seconded by Cllr Harrison. All agreed. They will be signed by the Chairman with an electronic signature.
- 6.2. The Minutes of the meeting held 24.8.21 were proposed as accurate by Cllr S Thomas seconded by Cllr Harrison. All agreed. They will be signed by the Chairman with an electronic signature.
- 6.3. The Minutes of the meeting held 1.9.21 were proposed as accurate by Cllr Pickard seconded by Cllr Filippini. All agreed. They will be signed by the Chairman with an electronic signature.
- 6.4. Cllr K Thomas commented on the August 24th meeting which discussed the 5G mast in Pentyrch. Some 37 emails were received from local residents. This is now being considered by Cardiff under the prior approval process meaning that consent will be granted unless Cardiff raises any issues. PCC has entered an objection on the ground of visual impact on the village and the traffic issues at the road junction.

7. To approve the Minutes of the Finance Committee Meetings held on August 9, September 13 2021: The Minutes of the meeting held on August 9 were proposed as accurate by Cllr Sherwood seconded by Cllr K Thomas. All agreed. The Minutes of the meeting held on September 13 were proposed as accurate by Cllr Sherwood seconded by Cllr K Thomas. All agreed. They will be signed by the Chairman with an electronic signature. Cllr Sherwood took the meeting through the recommendations:

- 7.1. It was **RESOLVED** to approve the audit review checklists and the recommendations. The Finance Committee will monitor actions to be taken.
- 7.2. It was **RESOLVED** to approve the following minor changes to PCC's Financial Regulations following the Internal Audit Review:
- 7.2.1. 11.1 : add 'email' to read *An official order, email or letter ...*
- 7.2.2. 11.3 : add the following at the end of the existing wording: '*without the authorisation of the Finance Committee or Full Council or Clerk/RFO*'.
- 7.2.3. 12.1.f : correct as follows: *Standing Order 18, Part 3, paragraphs 10-14*
- 7.2.4. 12.1.g : add 'written' to read *Clerk or RFO shall obtain 3 written quotations*
- 7.3. PCC's Finance Committee will consider a briefing note on a process of preferred contractor status to simplify the process of placing orders and the benefits to PCC. It will then be referred to the October meeting.

8. To receive an update from the Wellbeing & Climate Change Group: Cllr Thorpe noted that the group had had a pause in August. The PCC community has been chosen to be part of the Ramblers Cymru *Paths to Wellbeing* project. *Active Trails* is a Cardiff and Vale initiative with Sustrans that is being developed. By 2025, all footpaths should be added to definitive maps and some paths in the PCC area were lost in historic moves between principal authorities. Some are now not useable, such as around quarries. Cardiff Council's Public Rights of Way team have been very helpful. There are some 80-90% of Cardiff's footpaths in the PCC area, which also run into RCT and The Vale so ownership can be complex.

8.1. The Clerk will add a budget line item on this in the draft budget for 2022-2023.

9. To receive an update from the Transport group: Cllr Jones noted that Transport for Wales will be meeting in September and updates will be given after that. Cllr Jones will follow up on this.

10. To receive the report of the Community Engagement Officer: This was circulated in advance.

10.1. Creigiau Quarry: Cllr K Thomas noted that there is some continuing uncertainty in the community about why there appears to be so little noise and vibration monitoring. People would like to see more. Good information is provided by the quarry but not on this.

10.2. Cllr S Thomas noted that Cardiff's Planning Officer attends the liaison meetings and it has been confirmed that all monitoring required under the planning consent is being done. Cardiff no longer have their own monitoring stations, as they did in the past. Sets of data are being built up for various locations. Then others will be checked to get a wider picture. For now, the quarry are doing all that is legally required of them.

10.3. The next liaison meeting is in November and this concern will be raised then. If Members have particular locations in mind, please send them to the Clerk.

10.4. The Clerk will ask that that Cllr Harrison be added to the email notification list.

EVENTS

Attended a meeting with One Voice Wales on biodiversity in Wales. The Government is committed to this project although grants are offered to deprived areas. Topics discussed were pollinator gardens, wildflower meadows, changing mowing practices, ponds and bog gardens, community growing allotments and fruit orchards.

PCC's library is open and I'm at the office on a Friday morning between 10-12 only 3 visitors to-date but nice to offer the service, books donated and a lovely lady has offered to sort and clean the library on a voluntary basis.

Attended the new GYG coffee morning and had a very nice welcome and it was very well attended. They didn't need me to do anything to help, didn't necessarily want me to share posters as they meet in the committee room of their village hall and few concerns about numbers. They did complain in general about the Fflecsi bus service and the main road drain issue (which Cardiff is working on).

GENERAL COMMUNITY ISSUES/CONCERNS

Kissing gate between Pentyrch and Creigiau : reported to Cardiff.

Speeding: PCSO provided posters on Community Speed Watch and new ways of contacting the police.

Reported the deterioration of the road surface on Heol Goch.

Reported the new drains bottom of Heol Goch that still don't seem to be coping with the downpours and that rocks/stones are falling from the bank at the bottom of Heol Goch

Asked local people not to feed seagulls.

5G mast at High Corner, Pentyrch: shared information for where residents to report their concerns..

Scooters/scramblers at Cefn Bychan, Pentyrch – promoted legislation information from the Police.

Overgrowth around road signs need cutting back: to CCC

Creigiau Quarry

More lorries working from the quarry with some reports about lorries speeding. The quarry manager Daniel Jones has been very good in replying to individuals and copying PCC in to explain that he won't

tolerate this and contractors/drivers have been spoken to. There have been a few occasions whereby local drivers have thanked Tarmac drivers for being courteous on the road.

Daniel Jones, Manager met with a local resident to explain that they had to do a few early starts and having to quarry large material for a customer hence this made more noise that has been heard. This particular contract is nearly complete and things should quieten down a little due to low demand at the moment.

Short notice of 3rd blast 26/8: not as bad as the two before 1.8 mm/per sec.

COMMUNITY LINK

Link 113 should be ready for distribution by the end of August.

A few advertisers declined however they have been replaced by 3 new advertisers.

Gwaelod Rangers have said they are happy to continue with the deliveries in Gwaelod. I have stressed that they need to be delivered within a week of receiving them.

Link 114 is under way

Garth Rotary

Pleased to say that Garth Rotary and Amanda Thorpe have organised defib training on the 9th & 10th September – 9th at the Church Hall Creigiau and 10th, PVH 3 sessions at each 4/5.30 & 7.00 p.m. info regarding this will be in the Link. Posters will be put in all our notice boards and reminders will be sent to all local Facebook pages. This is open to all our local residents.

CPR/Defib Training

Cymru Hearts cancelled for Creigiau on the 9th, to be re-arranged. Training did go ahead at Pentyrch on the 10th. I attended but felt the training wasn't that well-delivered or well attended.

MISCELLANEOUS

Promoted different ways of contacting your general practice.

As of the end of August there will be 108 occupants in the new housing development on Llantrisant Road.

Shared info on Facebook that Pentyrch Pharmacy now have free Covid lateral flow tests.

Promoted Playwales program with Cardiff's summer smiles campaign and have organised free play sessions every Thursday in Creigiau, Gwaelod and Pentyrch until 27th August.

Shared information regarding walk-in vaccination centres.

Cardiff have organised the cutting back of overhanging branches/hedges of various footpaths that we have reported.

Shared posters regularly trying to encourage people to take their rubbish home (if no bin).

Shared information about not leaving dogs in cars when weather is hot.

Promoted Keep Wales Tidy – We have received 10 lots of litter pick equipment to loan to local residents however the paperwork that's expected to be completed is rather overwhelming, need to study this and organise to be added to KWT database so I can log who, why, where litter picks go etc

Promoted Cardiff's updated App: if you have anything to report as it pinpoints your exact location.

There will be a new map of the graveyard at Penuel Road (as for Bronllwyn).

Chased CCC highways to remove road closed signs Heol Goch/Gwaelod

Reminded residents about the food banks in Creigiau and Pentyrch

Shared information regarding mobile library in the area.

Reported rubbish in the rugby club park to Cardiff.

PCC's noticeboard at the bottom of Heol Goch/Main Road needs repair and new locks.

Promoted SW police contacts.

Promoted Beach Swim Safety Flags.

Promoted CCC initiatives re school leavers after exam results, plenty of options to explore.

Contacted the police with regards to a few reports of cows escaping from a farm in GYG trespassing at properties at Riverglade.

Fly tipping reported and collected by CCC

Shared info/posters on behalf of PCSO re: looking for new volunteers for speed watch campaign.

Shared info re: grants for defibs/schools/clubs etc

Pleased to volunteer at the Lan tidy up day as did Cllr Teresa Filipponi.

Made contact with stand-in Vicar at Pentyrch asking if our Remembrance Day service will still be able to go ahead, he said yes, I will share our service and keep in touch with him assuming it will go ahead this year.

I will be attending OVW and KWT webinar on the 15th will keep you posted as to the outcome.

Bushes need cutting back by Heol Y Berry/Riverglade, reported this on a number of occasions, a lady who walks this with a wheelchair struggles.

Ongoing Issues

Reported weeds on footpaths in various areas also grass verges etc. Pleased to see some of the weedy paths have been attended to.

Residents in Gwaelod are asking about a problem with drains. Cllr Gavin Hill-John is aware of an ongoing problem.

Street sign posts broken, dirty or faded completely. Good to see one has been replaced on High Corner, Pentyrch. Added illegible signs at Llaniltern/Holdings Lane to the list.

Although the Cardiff are only collecting green waste once a month, the collections seem to be running better at the moment.

11. Matters arising not reporting elsewhere: There were none.

12. To receive reports from Cardiff Councillors: None were received.

13. To decide on a survey of the issue of water run-off from PCC's Gwaelod y Garth woodland :

The Finance Committee reviewed the only two quotes received from five firms (which had been circulated in advance for this meeting) and were confident that both companies were competent to provide the report.

13.1. It was **RESOLVED** that Firm A be instructed at a quote cost of £2,495 + VAT. The vote having been taken, the Clerk informed the meeting that Firm A was Wallingford HydroSolutions. It is expected that PCC will receive a report within two weeks of a completed site visit, depending on rainfall data collection.

13.2. Residents will be informed.

14. To renew PCC's insurance policy for 2021-22 – The Finance Committee recommended the renewal of PCC's insurance policy.

14.1. It was **RESOLVED** to renew PCC's insurance at £1,382.42 is part of a three-year agreement.

14.2. It was **RESOLVED** that the Finance Committee receive further information on Key Person insurance. The information received to date only covered about half PCC's possible liability. The Clerk will ask for the cost of a stand-alone policy.

15. To receive an update on the plans to relocate Pentyrch Surgery: The Community Health Council's Executive Committee met on 14.9.2021 and recommended to the Health Board that a full public consultation be carried out. The Clerk had previously circulated notes and there are notes on the Planning page of the PCC website.

15.1. The Health Board met on 20.9.2021 to decide whether to agree or not to a consultation. That meeting was closed to the public. Whatever happens, there will be several weeks' delay to the project of the new surgery location. The surgery has written to the CHC that it may have to close because of delays.

15.2. Cllr Sherwood noted that the project for a new upgraded surgery started in 2017 to improve health care in the community. This PCC meeting agreed that if needed the Chairman would call an Extraordinary Meeting to discuss any significant news affecting local GP services. It is essential

that accurate information is communicated to local people. The Clerk will put any PCC statements on its website with links to them from PCC's Facebook page.

- 15.3. Mark Drakeford will be meeting with the Health Board and CHC. The Clerk will ask that PCC is kept informed.

Mark Drakeford left the meeting.

16. To approve the PCC Annual Reports for 2019-2020 and 2020-2021: From 2021-2022 PCC must produce an Annual Report, along with all community and town councils in Wales, under the Local Government (Elections) (Wales) Act 2021. Reports were circulated in advance.

- 16.1. PCC Members will send the Clerk any text or photos they would like added.
16.2. These will be presented to the October meeting.

17. To consider a transfer of land in Creigiau from Persimmon to PCC : Location plans were circulated in advance.

- 17.1. This was an initial suggestion from Persimmon to split the title and offer PCC the land between the Frog Pond and the bottom end of Parc y Coed. The path is an official bridle way that runs along the edge of the Nant Coslech stream.
17.2. Cllr Sherwood noted that PCC was in principle in favour of taking on public land when it could.
17.3. Following a discussion that raised some concerns about costs, ash trees and an extended fence, it was **RESOLVED** that PCC's Building and Estates committee members meet with Persimmon and discuss the pros and cons and explore whether Persimmon would be prepared to bear some or any of the costs of transfer and/or make a grant to PCC to offset any future maintenance costs.

18. To receive a report from the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales: The report was received.

19. To receive guidance from Welsh Government on PCC meetings: The guidance was received.

20. To discuss any consultations: Information had been circulated in advance.

- 20.1. Consultation on the draft Local Elections (Principal Areas) (Wales) Rules 2021 and Draft Local Elections (Communities) (Wales) Rules 2021
20.2. It was **RESOLVED** that Members send comments to the Clerk by September 22 for collating and submission by September 24.

21. To decide on planning applications: 5G Mast at High Corner, Pentyrch: PCC responded to the developer as part of the PAConsultation on this matter. The developer then submitted an application under the prior approval process by Cardiff.

- 21.1. It was **RESOLVED** that PCC object to the application on the same grounds as the response to the PAC already submitted:

The effects of a 15m mast in the centre of Pentyrch Village: the combination of the mast and its large cabinets will have a significant negative visual impact on the village centre and neighbouring properties.

The proposed site is on a busy road junction and close to bus stops for both public and school bus transport. The position of the mast's cabinets reduces the visibility splay for road traffic at this junction, which has a tight turn, and will increase to risk of traffic accidents.

22. To receive reports from Councillors:

Councillor	Meetings/events attended and Issues raised All meetings in the previous month unless stated
Mike Sherwood	Main Meeting

	<p>Planning Committee Finance Committee Staffing Committee briefing</p> <p>Creigiau Quarry Liaison meeting</p>
Karen Thomas	<p>Main Meeting Planning Committee Finance Committee Staffing Committee briefing</p> <p>Wellbeing and Climate Change Group</p> <p>CHC Executive Committee: Pentyrch Surgery</p> <p>A utility company has been working on land adjacent to Memorial Park, Pentyrch and close to the War Memorial. The Clerk will make enquiries and update Cllr Thomas.</p>
Stuart Thomas	<p>Finance Committee Main meeting Staffing Committee briefing</p> <p>Wellbeing and Climate Change Group Consultation on Local Elections (Principal Areas) (Wales) Rules Changes</p> <p>Creigiau Quarry Liaison meeting</p>
Sandie Rosser	<p>Main meeting Planning Committee Staffing Committee briefing</p> <p>Without hard copies of the papers for the meetings it is difficult to participate fully. The Clerk confirmed that papers can be printed at the office.</p>
John Harrison	<p>Main meeting Finance Committee Planning Committee Staffing Committee briefing</p> <p>Pentyrch Neighbourhood Watch</p> <p>Lon y Fro bench: the Clerk will check the installation timetable.</p>
Jenna Quilter	<p>Main meeting Staffing Committee briefing</p>
Wynford Ellis Owen	<p>Apologies received</p>

Simon Roberts	Apologies received
Amanda Thorpe	Main Meeting Wellbeing and Climate Change Group Cardiff's play area at Creigiau is a continuing problem and would like to make stronger representation to Cardiff.
Sara Pickard	Main meeting Wellbeing and Climate Change Group
Teresa Filipponi	Main Meeting Wellbeing and Climate Change Group Lan working party
Ian Jones	Main meeting Hybrid meetings: Cllr Jones will send information on possible kit to the Clerk.
Gary Dixon	Main meeting

Date of the next meeting: October 18 2021 online via Microsoft Teams 6:30pm

The meeting closed at 20:24.

Signed by digital signature

Dated October 18 2021