
TONGWYNLAIS COMMUNITY COUNCIL



Minutes of the Meeting Held at The Tanyard, Tongwynlais, on April 25th 2016. Meeting Commenced at 7:00pm.

1.00 ATTENDANCE :

Community Councillors: Chairman Brian Griffiths, Chris Morgan, Julie Jones, Ceri Morgan and Graham Walters.

Clerk: Rebecca Crandon.

County Councillors: None.

Members of the public: One

Police Representatives: None

2.00 APOLOGIES:

2.01 County Councillors: Ben Thomas, David Groves, Jonathan Evans & Chris Davis.
Community Councillors: Mike Griffiths & Peeter Tiidt.

3.00 DECLARATION AND REGISTRATION OF INTERESTS:

3.01 None

4.00 CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

4.01 The minutes of the previous meeting held on March 29th 2016 were agreed.

5.00 POLICE MATTERS

5.01 None

6.00 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES AND ANY REMAINING BUSINESS FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

6.01 Item 6.02 the clerk met Darren from Floodlighting who confirmed that they can put Christmas lights in the tree on the green at Pantgwynlais. Darren also mentioned that there was a choice between white or coloured lighting. The Community Council has chosen coloured lighting for a change. Cllr Chris Morgan enquired as to whether a cost had been given and the Clerk confirmed that she was waiting for this information from Floodlighting.

6.02 Item 6.03: Cardiff County Council's Parks Department have agreed that Tongwynlais

Community Council can take over the small garden area at Merthyr Road. It is currently being dealt with by the Strategic Estates Department and the Community Council are waiting for information whether it will be gifted or whether it will have to be paid for. Councillor Chris Morgan was approached by a resident asking whether the area could be cleared and used for parking. This will not be happening as it must remain as a public open space.

- 6.03 Item 6.04 The new bench at Pantgwynlais has been installed, but a member of the public had expressed concerns that the litter bin had been removed. The Clerk was asked to write to Cardiff Council to provide a new bin.
- 6.04 Item 6.05 The Queens 90th Birthday Commemorative Coins have arrived. The Clerk was asked to contact the school to find a suitable date for the coins to be distributed. The School Council were supposedly attending the meeting, but they could not attend due to sporting commitments. Cllr Graham Walters said that he would present the coins to Tongwynlais Primary School.
- 6.05 Item 10.01 Cllr Mike Jones-Pritchard had requested in the last meeting whether the Community Council could enquire about getting nice signs for either end of the village. The Clerk had researched a few options and provided a printout of some of the designs available. Cllr Brian Griffiths thought that maybe incorporating the Coat of Arms of the Lewis family into the design would be a good idea.
- 6.06 Item 10.02 Amelia had previously sent an email to the Community Council as the Ton group had received permission from Cardiff Council to plant wildflowers on the grassy area opposite the Holiday Inn. The Community Council had confirmed in the last meeting that they would be prepared to contribute to the seeds and had requested a plan of the planting area for consideration. Cllr Peeter Tiidt had pointed out in the last meeting that the area would have to be rotavated and planting the flowers was easy enough. The Community Council expressed their concerns that it would be left in a mess once the flowers die back and that the area will run wild with brambles, Cardiff Council would not be cutting the grass in the area. Cllr Brian Griffiths stated that there were far more suitable smaller areas in the village where these seeds could be planted and had requested a meeting at the Tanyard with Amelia or one of the group members regarding the flower planting.

7.00 CORRESPONDENCE, COMMUNICATIONS, PLANNING APPLICATIONS & REPORTS OF MEETINGS:-

- 7.01 The Clerk reported the following correspondence received since the previous meeting:-
- a) Correspondence from the Pension regulator.
 - b) Play for wales information.
 - c) Electricity bill £33.24 February & March.
 - d) Land rental invoice £10.00.
 - e) Confirmation of One Voice Wales Membership.
 - f) Minutes from the One Voice Wales meeting in March.
 - g) April electricity bill £31.39.
 - h) Correspondence received regarding the LDP of 290 residential dwellings south of Pentreban Road between Fairwater and St Fagans.
 - i) Tax coding for PAYE.
 - j) Information handbook from the insurance company.
 - k) Gas bill December 2015 to March 2016 £320.54, the clerk will check the readings as they were estimated.

- l) Invoice for the Commemorative Coins £486.00 including VAT.
 m) A resident has requested that 20mph speed signs are painted on the road through the village.
 n) Correspondence has been received regarding the improvement to the garages on the Green Meadow Estate. A start date has not been confirmed as of yet, but as soon as it is arranged then the Community Council will be informed. The 3 sites will be cleared and resurfaced.
 o) Cllr Jonathan Evans was concerned about people calling within the 'No Cold calling Zone' as a member of the public had mentioned this at the last meeting. It was confirmed that it was actually a charity and charities could not be stopped.
 p) Correspondence was received regarding the annual Audit.

7.02 Planning Applications:

None.

8.00 FINANCIAL REPORT AND SIGNING OF CHEQUES:

Expenditure

British Gas Business	d/d	-33.24
Wages & Expenses	1489/90	-426.00
HMRC PAYE	1491	-125.80

8.01 The Clerk provided the Council with a Budget.

8.02 Cheques to be written by the Clerk: Wages & Expenses £609.67, Commemorative coins £486.00 and land rental £10.00.

9.00 NOTICES OF MOTION:

9.01 None.

10.00 QUESTION TIME:

10.01 The Clerk had received a telephone call from a gentleman who had taken equipment out of Castell Coch after the 2nd World War and he was wondering whether the Community Council would like him to record his story for information purposes? The Clerk will arrange a meeting, take a recording and write up the story and post it on the website. Cllr Graham Walters suggested a copy could be given to the school.

10.02 Tyfrion has requested a new hi-viz vest. Cllr Chris Morgan said that there were spares in the drawer.

10.03 Henry reported a hanging basket that hasn't been taken down by the Old Vicarage.

10.04 Cllr Graham Walters enquired about the memorial bench that is to be placed in Catherine Drive and the Clerk was asked to make enquiries on it's progress.

11.00 ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS BY PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR

11.01 None.

12.00 DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

12.01 The date of the next meeting will be Tuesday 31st May 2016 at 19.00 hours.

12.02 The meeting closed 19.50 hours.

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