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# TONGWYNLAIS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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## **Minutes of the Meeting Held at The Tanyard, Tongwynlais, on February 29<sup>th</sup> February 2016. Meeting Commenced at 7:00pm.**

### **1.00 ATTENDANCE :**

**Community Councillors:** Chairman Brian Griffiths, Michael Griffiths, Chris Morgan, Ceri Morgan, Graham Walters, Julie Jones, Mike Jones-Pritchard and Linda Morgan.

**Clerk:** Rebecca Crandon.  
Ceri Lane  
Co-opted Member.

**County Councillors:** None.

**Members of the public.** Amelia Thomas and one other.

**Police Representatives:** None.

### **2.00 APOLOGIES:**

2.01 County Councillors: Ben Thomas, David Groves, Jonathan Evans & Chris Davis.  
Community Councillors: Ceri Morgan.

### **3.00 DECLARATION AND REGISTRATION OF INTERESTS:**

3.01 Cllr Mike Jones-Pritchard & Cllr Linda Morgan re: Community Council donation to the Village Hall roof repair fund.

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

4.01 The minutes of the previous meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> January 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 6.06 Cllr Julie Jones reported that one of the hanging baskets (near the Old Vicarage) had been left out and had not been taken down.

- 6.02 Cllr Mike Jones-Pritchard had emailed the Clerk prior to the meeting requesting a few alterations:  
Item 6.02 the declaration of interests, Cllr Mike Jones-Pritchard said he was not quoted correctly and requested alteration of the minutes. The Chair in response said he didn't think it was necessary for the minutes to be altered, as it was just playing with words.  
Item 6.05 was questioned in his email regarding the road closure it said that he did not recall stating "current legislation" and it happened that the police were present at the event, but not because of any legislative requirements.  
Item 6.06. The "quid pro quo comment" did not relate to public safety but that if it was not public safety, then there may have been an agreement with the organisers.  
Item 6.09 the second sentence should refer to a plaque being organised and that the Chair Cllr Brian Griffiths would be invited to present it to the gardening club. The Chair confirmed that he had been in contact with the School.  
Item 10.01. Cllr Mike Jones-Pritchard stated that his recollection was that the Council agreed in principal to the proposal but that an agreement would be subject to further discussions between Council and Church representatives, once the Council had received a response from Cardiff Council, the land owner. The Chair stated that at the time of the meeting with Aion it was agreed that the Community Council would support Aion and no one had raised any objections at all. The Council in agreement declared that the minutes remained unaltered.
- 6.03 Cllr Brian Griffiths discussed that a number of years ago trainers were often seen thrown over street wires and that this meant there were drugs available in that area. Cllr Brian Griffiths had noticed posters in the village one with a picture of a trainer and another with Ton+. One of these had been fastened behind St Michaels Church and the other fastened to his hedge. It was queried whether anyone knew what these were for? Amelia put the Community Council straight that these leaflets were actually the 'walking bus' route points for the school children and not gang territory.
- 6.04 Item 6.05 Cllr Mike Griffiths asked Cllr Linda Morgan whether she had heard anything regarding the road closure fees of £600.00 this was still ongoing. However, the Rotary Club have offered men for marshalling and also there would be Police cover, everything was in place but Cllr Linda Morgan was waiting for a letter or email of confirmation.
- 6.05 Item 6.01: The Chair requested that the Clerk contact Floodlighting to ask for a price to place the last strip of the festive lighting from the Lewis Arms to the top of the village. Also as suggested by Cllr Julie Jones the price of lighting up a Christmas tree on the green at Pantgwynlais.
- 6.06 Item 6.08: Cllr Graham Walters asked whether there was any news regarding the garages? The Clerk replied that she had written to Cardiff Council who stated that the funding would probably be approved in the new financial year in April.
- 6.07 Item 6.09. The Chair visited the school to present a plaque to the gardening club.
- 6.08 Amelia discussed the proposed play area in Catherine Drive, this is still ongoing with Wales & West Housing association.
- 6.09 Cllr Graham Walters noticed that a dozen paving slabs had been left in the Tongwynlais garden piled up. There were a number of slabs taken from there in the past but no one knows where these have come from.
- 6.10 The Clerk informed the Community Council that she had been corresponding with Cardiff

Council regarding the garden and proposed emergency access for Aion Church. Plans had been drawn up and the Clerk was waiting for a response from the Strategic Estates Department.

- 6.11 The Chair enquired as to whether the bags were cleared from the Village Hall, Cllr Mike Jones-Pritchard confirmed that they had.
- 6.12 Item 10.03. The Chair said that the bench on the green at Pantgwynlais had still not been replaced and hopefully it would be replaced shortly.
- 6.13 Cllr Graham Walters enquired as to whether residents could be fined for putting their bins out too early and asked why the council couldn't be fined for not collecting the rubbish? According to Cllr Mike Griffiths the reason why there was a delay with bin collections was due to the high winds. Wheelie bins can get blown off the back of the lorries which could be dangerous. Cllr Julie Jones enquired if there is a charge for replacing lost, damaged or stolen bins and Cllr Graham Walters confirmed that there is.
- 6.14 Cllr Brian Griffiths proposed that the Community Council donate £2000 towards the repair of the Village Hall roof and the Community Council was in agreement.

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

7.01 The Clerk reported the following correspondence received since the previous meeting:-

- a) Caerphilly LDP together with an informative DVD.
- b) Building plans for the David Wilson homes on Llantrisant road were received together with a DVD.
- c) An electricity bill from Swalec for the Christmas lighting £20.02.
- d) Floodlighting invoice for installation of the Christmas lighting £7919.70 including the new strip and two timeclocks.
- e) £27.87 Tanyard electricity bill.
- f) Membership renewal from One Voice Wales £234.
- g) Correspondence from the Civic Trust Cymru.
- h) An email was received from Marie Rosenthal informing the Community Council that she will be leaving her role as Monitoring Officer.
- i) £100 invoice from Nigel Ferguson email and website.
- j) Local Democracy & Boundary Commission for Wales, regarding the review of the community arrangements within the City and County of Cardiff.
- k) A report was received from the Chair of Standards and Ethics Committee.
- l) Correspondence was received regarding commemorative medals for schools and councils for the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

Cllr Graham Walters reported that there was a One Voice Wales meeting but it was on the same night as the Community Council meeting. The minutes of that meeting have not been received yet.

7.02 **Planning Applications:**

None.

## **8.00 FINANCIAL REPORT AND SIGNING OF CHEQUES:**

### **Expenditure**

British Gas	d/d	-64.39
British Gas Electricity	d/d	-27.26
Kevin Davies Ball (Hanging Baskets)	1478	-80.00
Wages	1479/80	-269.70
Cardiff Council Land Rental	1481	-10.00

Cheques to be written by the Clerk : Wages £174.99, Nigel Ferguson Website £100.00, Swalec Xmas Electricity £20.02, Floodlighting £7919.70, One Voice Wales £234.00 and Tongwynlais Village Hall Roof Donation £2000.00.

## **9.00 NOTICES OF MOTION:**

9.01 None.

## **10.00 QUESTION TIME:**

10.01 The Commemorative coins were discussed, the Community Council agreed that it would be a nice idea for the schoolchildren and the Clerk was asked to obtain a quote.

10.02 A member of the public complained about the concrete lorries travelling through the village at 5am causing the windows to rattle. The Chair said that there was nothing that the Community Council could really do about it as there was no written agreement only a verbal agreement. The verbal agreement which was with Tarmac was that lorries wouldn't travel through the village during the times when children were going to and from the primary school.

10.03 Cllr Linda Morgan asked if the Community Council would be prepared to sponsor the OAP's tea party during festival week and the Chair agreed.

10.04 Cllr Linda Morgan congratulated the chair on his 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

## **11.00 ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS BY PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR**

11.01 The Golf course on Mill Road has planning permission for a 9 hole golf course but it's being used as a storage depot for a civil engineering company. The Community Council agreed it should be kept as a leisure facility and the Clerk was asked to contact planning enforcement.

## **12.00 DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

12.01 The date of the next meeting will be Tuesday March 29th 2016 at 19.00 hours.

12.02 The meeting closed 19.50 hours.