
TONGWYNLAIS COMMUNITY COUNCIL



**Minutes of the Meeting Held at
The Tanyard, Tongwynlais,
On Monday January 26th 2015.
Meeting Commenced at 7:00pm.**

- 1.00 ATTENDANCE :** Community Councillors: Chairman Brian Griffiths, Michael Griffiths, Julie Jones, Mike Jones-Pritchard, Linda Morgan, Graham Walters and Peeter Tiidt.
- Clerk: Rebecca Crandon
Amelia Thomas
- 2 Members of the Public
- Police Representatives: None
- 2.00 APOLOGIES :** County Councillors: Ben Thomas, Chris Davis, Jonathan Evans and David Groves.
- Community Councillors: Ceri Morgan and Chris Morgan
Ceri Lane Co-Opted Member
- 3.00 DECLARATION AND REGISTRATION OF INTERESTS.**
- 3.01 None were declared.
- 4.00 CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.**
- 4.01 The minutes of the meeting held on 24th November 2014 were agreed.
- 5.00 POLICE MATTERS**
- None

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

- 6.01 Item 10.06 Request for a Christmas Tree on the green. Cllr Mike Jones-Pritchard did not state that there is an electric supply for this purpose. There may be an electricity point where the old telephone box stood?
- 6.02 Item 6.01 was rescinded at the request of Councillor Mike Jones-Pritchard.
- 6.03 Cllr Graham Walters and Cllr Julie Jones were unable to attend the One Voice Wales meeting as they are attending the Community Council meeting and sent their apologies.
- 6.04 Cllr Mike Jones-Pritchard reported a Governors meeting in the school and the current budget is unable to support the staffing numbers. Redundancy processes are being followed, some will be voluntary.
- 6.05 Cllr Mike Jones-Pritchard brought up the Council's budget survey, services may be distributed around the city to other organisations. The Chair Cllr Brian Griffiths has had meetings with Sarah McGill regarding the library services. They are looking for volunteers to help run the library with a view to it opening another two afternoons a week. Additionally they will be installing free Wi-Fi at the Tanyard.
- 6.06 Cllr Brian Griffiths stated that Ceri Lane had received the account for replacing the barrier at the canal re. Fly Tipping Preventative Measures and Ceri has forwarded it onwards to claim the grant.
- 6.07 Floodlighting were unable to put the additional set of lights up through the village as their supplier could not provide them in time for Christmas. A post will need to be put up in the grounds of the Village hall as an alternative to the Doctor's surgery for a lighting fixture. Cllr Linda Morgan thanked Cllr Graham Walters and Cllr Mike Griffiths for putting the Christmas lights on the Village Hall.

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

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

- a) An email from John Hughes discussing the charter.
- b) Garden Services had written to offer ground maintenance and gardening.
- c) Caerphilly Borough Council information regarding a new development, a DVD of the proposal would be sent.
- d) Minutes of the One Voice Wales meeting.
- e) British Gas Electricity £23.00.
- f) DVD received for the Plasdwr Development.
- g) Planning Application for Gwaelod-y-Garth.
- h) Precept Application.
- i) Water Rates £125.00 (paid).
- j) Invoice LDL Engineering Services £2280.00
- k) Rent Cardiff County Council £10.00

7.02 Planning Applications:

None.

8.00 FINANCIAL REPORT AND SIGNING OF CHEQUES:

Expenditure

Wages & Expenses November	1410 & 1411	-821.80
Blackwood Fire	1412	-48.72
Broker Network Ltd (Insurance)	1414	-1001.63
Welsh Water	1415	-125.05
British Gas (Elec) Dec	d/d	-15.00
British Gas Jan	d/d	-274.73
British Gas (Elec) Jan	d/d	-18.09

Cheques to be raised by the Clerk: LDL Engineering services £2280.00, Cardiff County Council £10, Wages & Expenses £739.51.

9.00 NOTICES OF MOTION

9.01 None Received

10.00 QUESTION TIME

- 10.01 A resident of Castle Road will be submitting an application to the Community Council to turn a garage at the rear of 51 Merthyr Road into a pedal bike service centre.
- 10.02 A member of the public raised concerns about rubbish bins. This was discussed and why there wasn't a bin outside the Spar, Cardiff County Council previously removed the bin outside of the shop as it restricted pavement access.
- 10.03 Cllr Peeter Tiidt reported that during the bad wind and weather two green houses had been severely damaged by a falling tree. The Clerk had already contacted the Community Councils insurers who confirmed that the policy did not cover green houses. Cllr Brian Griffiths felt that the Community Council should contribute something to the loss of the green houses, Cllr Peeter Tiidt will be looking into the price of replacing them. Cllr Graham Walters raised concerns about the legality of donating money and the Clerk was asked to contact One Voice Wales for clarification.
- 10.04 Barry Morgan will be installing the bench donated by the Plymouth Brethren Christian Church on the green.
- 10.05 Cllr Linda Morgan has requested that the Village Hall Committee take over the running of the Summer Festival. This was discussed and the Community Council agreed and confirmed they would support the Village Hall Committee.
- 10.06 Cllr Brian Griffiths asked Amelia Thomas whether she could arrange planting of bulbs at the new canal gate as this was provided for by the grant.

11.00 ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS BY PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR.

11.01 The precept was agreed at £19000 no increase on last year.

12.00 DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

12.01 Monday February 23rd 2015

12.02 The meeting closed at 20:10hrs.

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