
TONGWYNLAIS COMMUNITY COUNCIL



Minutes of the Meeting Held at The Tanyard, Tongwynlais, On Monday October 27th 2014. Meeting Commenced at 7:00pm.

1.00 ATTENDANCE : Community Councillors: Chairman Brian Griffiths, Michael Griffiths, Julie Jones, Mike Jones-Pritchard, Ceri Morgan, Linda Morgan, Peeter Tiidt and Chris Morgan.

County Councillors: Ben Thomas and Chris Davis
Clerk: Rebecca Crandon
Ceri Lane Co-Opted Member

1 Members of the Public

Police Representatives: None

2.00 APOLOGIES : Community Councillors: Graham Walters.
Amelia Thomas

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 previous meeting held on 29th September 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 6.03 land behind the Plymouth Brethren Christian Church was discussed and the Clerk had contacted the Monitoring Officer who stated that the Community Council could dispose of land as they wished. It is better to get the best price, though in exceptional circumstances a lower price could be obtained, the Monitoring Officer had made no statement that the Council were acting illegally as stated by Councillor Mike Jones Pritchard at the previous meeting. It was understood that the Church could re-apply to purchase the land after 6 months.

- 6.02 Item 6.04 Canal Gate Project Ironbridge Road. Ceri Lane Project Co-ordinator and The Chair met contractors on site and they had come back with a new price of £1900. The barrier is to be moved some 45 metres, leaving 15 metres between Ironbridge Road and the new barrier. It had been requested if the Traffic Order could be expedited. It was also discussed the need for a traffic order on a road that goes nowhere. A barrier had been there for over 30 years without a prior traffic order. The Chair contacted Ramesh Patel at Transport, Planning & Sustainability, Cardiff County Council for his advice and whether he could do something. County Cllr Ben Thomas stated he had enquired also and it was a regulation that 6 months' notice had to be given for a road closure- Ongoing.
- 6.03 Item 6.05 street lamp no 30 on Merthyr Road. Twice workmen have been out and confirmed that the light is useless. The Community Council raised concerns about the Christmas lighting and that Floodlights (Christmas light installers) will have to check whether there is a supply. It was agreed that maybe the Angel could go on the church?
- 6.04 Item 6.06 the planning application for the land next to the Village Hall had been granted. County Cllr Ben Thomas was disappointed and sorry at the outcome.
- 6.05 Item 6.07 the summer bunting will be taken down along with the hanging baskets next Sunday.
- 6.06 Item 10.14 Cardiff County Council refused to place the bench that was gifted to the Community Council by the PBCC opposite the Lewis Arms. It was stated there was too much street furniture already. It was agreed that the bench be placed opposite the school on the grass verge. The Clerk was requested to write a letter to the housing department requesting permission as the land belongs to Greenmeadow Estate.
- 6.07 Tongwynlais won best Commercial Street in Cardiff in Bloom and the prize money of £200 would be donated to Tongwynlais Primary School.

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

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

- a) Cardiff County Council information regarding the development at Llantrisant Rd.
- b) Cardiff County Council information regarding the development at Pentreban Road.
- c) Reminder ground rent.
- d) British Gas electricity bills.

7.02 Planning Applications:

None received

8.00 FINANCIAL REPORT AND SIGNING OF CHEQUES

Expenditure

British Gas Business (Gas)	d/d	-144.06
British Gas Business (Elec)	d/d	-14.29
Mazaars (Auditors)	1401	-246.00
Wages & Expenses September	1402,3,4	-848.71

Cardiff in Bloom Photos £2.50, Tongwynlais Primary donation £200, Architecture flyers £38.25, Cardiff County Council ground rent £10, wages & expenses £265.87.

Total cheques to be raised by the Clerk £516.62.

09.00 NOTICES OF MOTION

09.01 None Received.

10.00 QUESTION TIME

- 10.01 Cllr Mike Jones-Pritchard asked whether the Community Council had received a planning application for a property at Castell Coch View. The application had not been received however, residents were concerned about the impact on privacy of neighbours in their gardens. Cllr Mike Jones-Pritchard will forward the information to the Clerk and a letter will be written.
- 10.02 Cllr Peeter Tiidt raised concerns about Heol-y-Fforest, the litter and fly-tipping. Fridges, toilets, black bags have been dumped and even cyclists have been observed throwing drinking containers, the littering is getting worse. A litter pick needs to be arranged, however as it is a dangerous road, a temporary road closure will be needed.
- 10.03 Cllr Julie Jones reported that pavements at Ironbridge Road Julie are in a bad way and the pavement by the Vicarage had still not been made good.
- 10.04 Cllr Mike Jones-Pritchard reported lights out of order on Castle Road and also on the slip road off the Coryton interchange enroute to Pantmawr. Cllr Ben Thomas made notes regarding this issue
- 10.05 A member of the public reported a pile of green bags outside the shops, it was not certain whether it was industrial refuse or household recycling.
- 10.06 A member of the public reported that the lump of concrete was still at the school and had not been cleared.
- 10.07 The Chair would be contacting Tongwynlais surgery as their refusal last year for a bracket to be put on the building, prevented Phase D of the Christmas lights. Phase D would mean lights from the green opposite Ironbridge Road to St Michael's Close illuminating the main thoroughfare of the village.
- 10.08 Cllr Ben Thomas informed the Community Council that Whitchurch would be having their Christmas switch on, on November 16th 2014.

10.09 The Chair requested that all future correspondence must go through the Clerk. This was debated with the Community Council and two of the councillors refused. It was made clear that the Clerk should be informed straight away or emailed copies of any correspondence that was sent on behalf of the Community Council.

11.00 ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS BY PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR.

11.01 None

12.00 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

12.01 Monday November 24th 2014

12.02 The meeting closed at 19:40hrs.

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