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# TONGWYNLAIS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting held at The  
Tanyard, Tongwynlais on Jan 30th 2017.  
Meeting commenced at 7:00pm.

**1.00 ATTENDANCE:**      **Community Councillors:** Chairman Brian Griffiths, Graham Walters, Peeter Tiidt, Mike Griffiths, Chris Morgan, Linda Morgan

**Clerk:** Nadine Dunseath

**County Councillors:** None

**Members of the public:** Six

**Police Representative:** None

**2.00 APOLOGIES:**  
Community Councillors - Mike Jones-Pritchard, Ceri Morgan, Julie Jones  
Cardiff County Councillors - Davis, Evans, Groves and Thomas  
South Wales Police

**3.00 DECLARATION AND REGISTRATION OF INTERESTS:**

3.01 None

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

4.01 Amendment to minute 6.14 This minute should read "The Primary School has requested a donation towards a climbing frame for the Foundation Phase. The Community Council noted that this would not directly benefit the gardening club and suggested a donation could be used to purchase gardening equipment instead. Chairman Brian Griffiths to contact the school and ask if a donation would be useful"

**5.00 POLICE MATTERS:**

5.01 No police officer attended the meeting.

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

6.01 Item 6.01: Acquisition of Land at Tongwynlais Gardens.  
Cardiff Council has confirmed the Community Council no longer owe quarterly rent for the land on which the Community Council own an allotment shed.

Ainon Baptist Church would like to use this land to provide a fire escape exit for the church. Clerk has produced a written agreement for Ainon Baptist Church, which is to be discussed with them and signed by all parties.

- 6.02 Item 6.02: Floodlighting have removed the Christmas lights.
- 6.03 Item 6.03: Cardiff Council have approved the location for the new road signs, which are to be placed on the grass verge at either end of Merthyr Road. Clerk has provided a photograph to Cardiff Council signwriters. Clerk has requested a detailed quote from Cardiff Council for them to make and install the signs.
- 6.04 Item 6.05 Clerk has written to BDO Auditors informing them the completion notice has been displayed in the Tanyard and requested the date for the next audit as 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2017.
- 6.05 Item 6.10 The TON group are interested in cleaning and painting the allotment shed as a community project and were advised that children should not be involved in the project due to health and safety reasons. The Community Council will provide the skip. Amelia from the TON group to provide a date for when the project will take place and will raise the matter at the next TON meeting. Once the shed has been cleared out the Community Council have agreed that the TON group can store equipment in the shed.
- 6.06 Item 6.11 Clerk is still awaiting a response from Land Registry regarding the ownership of the green land on Ironbridge road.
- 6.07 Item 6.13 Clerk has provided extra keys for the Tanyard and given these to the Pins and Needles group, as well as the Ainon Church Youth group.
- 6.08 Item 6.14 The Community Council would like to make a donation to the Primary School gardening club for them to purchase gardening equipment. Chairman Brian Griffiths to contact the school to ask if this donation would be useful.
- 6.09 Item 6.15 Cllr Peeter Tiidtt is monitoring the condition of the trees adjacent to the allotments at the top of Castle Road and may arrange for a local tree surgeon to remove some trees that may be a health and safety risk. If trees are removed then it is the intention to replace these with a hedge.
- 6.10 Item 6.18 Clerk has contacted Cardiff Council asking them to remove the branches on the grass area of the playground.
- 6.11 Item 7.05 Clerk has contacted a builder regarding a leak in the Tanyard ceiling above the front door and is awaiting a formal quote for the repair work.
- 6.12 Item 10.01 The burglar alarm in the Tanyard has been repaired by Celtic Alarms. The Community Council apologises to local residents for any disturbance caused by the alarm.
- 6.13 Item 10.02 Clerk contacted Cardiff Council requesting they clean the whole of Merthyr Road at a time when there are less parked cars causing an obstruction to the cleaning.

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

- 7.01 Item 8.03 The Community Council completed the precept request form and agreed the request amount should remain the same as last year. Clerk to return the form to Cardiff Council.
- 7.02 Copies of the residents survey was circulated to the Community Council who agreed it had raised some interesting points.
- 7.03 Clerk has contacted Cardiff Council regarding placement of dog waste bins around the village, which the Community Council is happy to provide, if Cardiff Council will empty them with the general waste collection. Cardiff Council have responded stating they are not in a position to empty dedicated dog fouling bins, and any waste can be placed in a general litter bin for collection. They have requested a cleansing supervisor visits the area to inspect if there are adequate litter bins.  
It has been noted by residents that litter bins have been removed by the bus stop on Merthyr Road, as well as on Mill Road opposite the Lewis Arms by the phone box and by the playground. Clerk to contact Cardiff Council to request these bins are replaced.
- 7.04 A local resident has suggested the 20mph speed restriction is extended to include Mill Road. The Community Council advised that speed bumps must be installed with a 20mph speed restriction and the suitability of this would need to be considered for Mill Road. Cardiff Council has proposed that double yellow lines are to be painted on both sides of Mill Road; on the left hand side from the corner by the Lewis Arms as far as the junction with Wellington Street and on the right hand side from the corner opposite the Lewis Arms to the end of the car park.
- 7.05 Challenge Wales are hoping to organise a running event from Castell Coch in November 2017. They have already contacted Cadw who are keen to stage the event at the castle. Challenge Wales have contacted the Community Council to seek advice on parking availability in the village.
- 7.06 Cardiff Council have sent notification to inform local residents that the footbridge over the River Taff between Ironbridge Road and Gelynis Farm is to be closed for repairs for up to 3 weeks from February 20<sup>th</sup>.
- 7.07 Tongwynlais Community Council has complained to Cardiff Council about the litter on the Coryton roundabout especially the M4 westbound exit sliproad and the A470 northbound sliproad from Coryton. Cardiff Council responded by sending a cleansing team.
- 7.08 A brown road sign has become loose on the lamppost on Merthyr Road outside the dentist. Clerk has informed Cardiff Council who were already aware.
- 7.09 A local artist will be beginning a drawing class at the Tanyard on a Monday evening for 3 weeks each month. More information will be advertised around the village.
- 7.09 Planning Application 16/02844/MNR parking bays opposite 45-47 Castle view, Tongwynlais. This application has been withdrawn by Cardiff Council Highways Department.
- 7.10 Planning Application 16/03067/MNR Proposed New Dwelling, Land Off Mill Road, Tongwynlais.  
A number of local residents attended the Community Council meeting to voice their objections to this planning application.  
Tongwynlais Community Council will be objecting to the application.

It was suggested that a petition could be submitted to Cardiff Council Planning Department. Clerk to organise a petition form and distribute to individuals who have volunteered to collect signatures. A copy will also be placed in the Post Office.

7.11 Planning Application 17/00037/DCH Minor kitchen and bathroom amendments to the rear of property 8 Merthyr Road, Tongwynlais.  
Tongwynlais Community Council has no objection to the application.

7.12 A One Voice Wales Meeting was held on January 6<sup>th</sup> but unfortunately members of the Community Council were unable to attend. The minutes for the meeting have been requested.

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

### **Expenditure**

British Gas Business	d/d	-25.85
Wages & Expenses	1536/7/8, 1541/2	-1122.19
Celtic Alarms	1539	-70.00
British Gas Business	d/d	-24.17
Council Insurance	1540	-985.55
Road Closure (Mike Jones-Pritchard)	1543	-200.00
British Gas	d/d	-323.10

8.01 The clerk reported they had received the following since the last meeting:  
British Gas, Celtic Alarms, Council Insurance and Christmas Fayre Road Closure 2015, Welsh Water.

8.02 Cheques to be written by the Clerk: Wages & Expenses: Tyfrion Edwards, Nadine Dunseath, James Proctor, Welsh Water.

## **9.00 NOTICES OF MOTION**

9.01 None

## **10.00 QUESTION TIME**

10.01 Garages at Pantgwynlais and Greenmeadow Drive have recently been renovated and residents have received letters informing them of a rental price increase. Tongwynlais Community Council feels the increase is too high and is unfair on residents as it is to pay for renovations that were not requested. Clerk to write to Cardiff Council.

10.02 A lamppost on Merthyr Road is not working. Clerk to contact Cardiff Council.

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

11.01 The TON group will be holding a meeting in the Lewis Arms on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February at 7pm.

## **12.00 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

12.01 The date of the next meeting will be Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2017 at 19.00 hours.  
The meeting closed at 20:00 hours.