
TONGWYNLAIS COMMUNITY COUNCIL



**Minutes of the Meeting Held at
The Tanyard, Tongwynlais,
On Monday March 30th 2015.
Meeting Commenced at 7:00pm.**

- 1.00 ATTENDANCE :** Community Councillors: Chairman Brian Griffiths, Michael Griffiths, Ceri Morgan, Chris Morgan, Linda Morgan, Graham Walters and Peeter Tiidt.
- Clerk: Rebecca Crandon
Co-opted members: Amelia Thomas and Ceri Lane
- No Members of the Public
- Police Representatives: None
- 2.00 APOLOGIES :** County Councillors: Ben Thomas, Chris Davis, Jonathan Evans and David Groves.
- Community Councillors: Mike Jones-Pritchard & Julie Jones.
- 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 23rd February 2015 were agreed.
- 5.00 POLICE MATTERS**
- None

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

- 6.01 Ceri lane confirmed the Welsh Assembly Grant had been applied for £3202.39, less than what was anticipated saving £2337.69.
- 6.02 Peter Tiidt re. Damaged allotment greenhouses. Legal advice was received from One Voice Wales stating that verbal agreements for the allotment tenancies needed to be cancelled and a written agreement must be signed by all allotment holders. £5.00 is the current Community Council Annual charge for a full plot and £2.50 for half a plot. Concerns were raised by One Voice Wales regarding the donation for the green houses as they are placed on the allotment at tenants own risk. This will be stipulated in the new written allotment agreements.
- 6.03 The bench donated by the Plymouth Brethren Christian Church has been installed by Barry Morgan.
- 6.04 The Unmetered Electricity bill from SWALEC has been received for the Christmas decorations amounting to £15, LED lighting uses far less power.
- 6.05 The Plymouth Brethren Christian Church will be landscaping in front of the village hall and also installing a post. The Community Council will be purchasing the post so the D section lighting will be displayed next Christmas. The Clerk is chasing Floodlighting for a quote for the price of the post.
- 6.06 Re: 10.03 Litter problems. Letters have been sent to all the businesses on Merthyr Road requesting that they help keep the village clean by clearing up outside of their premises.
- 6.07 The missing large step ladder has been found and returned to the Tanyard by Cllr Graham Walters.
- 6.08 The engineer was called out to check the Tanyard Alarm system, it was inspected and all working correctly.
- 6.09 Re: 10.07 Thanks to Amelia, her two children and Carol for cleaning the Tanyard and wall pictures.
- 6.10 Litter picking and planting of seeds at the canal was cancelled because of the bad weather.
- 6.11 Free Wifi has been installed and is now up and running at the Tanyard.
- 6.12 Re: 6.09 Bollards by top bus stop, the Clerk is still waiting for a response from Cardiff County Council.
- 6.13 Hope have replied to the letter written by the Clerk in December. They have confirmed that they are currently only working 70% of the output of Tarmac. They will be taking into consideration what was said regarding travelling through village during the school run. The vehicle sizes are no different and lorries have been cut from 4 to 3. It was also mentioned in that letter that the volume of vehicles could relate to the Hope Construction based in Radyr. The Clerk will write to them also, as many of the cement mixers use the village as a short cut to the M4, when there is congestion on the A470.
- 6.14 Cardiff County Council arranged a meeting at Taffs Well Rugby Club inviting Community Councils to attend. Cllr Graham Walters was unable to attend but a copy of the minutes was requested.
- 6.15 Correspondence was received from the Neighbourhood fund inviting applications for a grant for equipment valued from £250 to £1500. Cllr Chris Morgan requested purchasing a rotavator for the allotment. It was also requested a new strimmer and blower was needed for Tyfrion and a chainsaw

for Cllr Peeter Tiidt at the allotments. Purchasing of a solar panel will also be looked into. The application process will be available from April 1st 2015.

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

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

- a) SWALEC invoice £15.00
- b) Rates £891.70
- c) Electricity Bill £21.07
- d) PAYE Correspondence
- e) Residents Letter re Quarry Complaint
- f) Summer Reading Challenge (Cardiff Libraries)
- g) Mazars- change of address notification
- h) One Voice Wales Membership Confirmation
- i) Traffic Order £337.72
- j) BM Properties Invoice £300.00
- k) Invoice shrub planting £120.00
- l) Kitchen cleaning items £12.10
- m) Dutch Garden Centre invoice shrubs £362.50

7.02 Planning Applications:

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1. Two Storey Extension to the side of the property
2. Move front door to existing property

8.00 FINANCIAL REPORT AND SIGNING OF CHEQUES:

Expenditure

Wages & Expenses	1420/21	-312.85
Floodlighting & Electrical Services	1422	-4962.00
Nigel Ferguson Webmail	1423	-100.00
One Voice Wales Membership	1424	-226.00
Dutch Garden Centre (Canal Project)	1425	-362.20
B&Q (Canal Project)	1426	-102.47
BM Properties (Bench Installation)	1427	-300.00
Tyfrion Edwards (Canal Project)	1428	-120.00
British Gas Electricity	dd	-22.93

Cheques to be raised by the Clerk: SWALEC £15.00, Cardiff County Council Traffic Order £337.72, Cllr Julie Jones kitchen cleaning items £12.10.

9.00 NOTICES OF MOTION

9.01 None Received

10.00 QUESTION TIME

- 10.01 Cardiff Summer Reading Challenge literacy charity scheme are looking to come along to any summer events organized by the Community Council. There will be a Sunset Fayre on Wednesday 1st July which may be suitable and also the school may be planning an event.
- 10.02 A complaint has been made to County Councillor Jonathan Evans by a resident regarding the flats at Greenmeadow Drive. Land has been claimed from what was formerly the orchard of Greenmeadow House and fenced off to make a private garden, this land is owned by Cardiff County Council.
- 10.03 Amelia consulted the Community Council regarding organising a litter pick along Heol-Y-Fforest and doing a deep clean in the forest. The road has already been cleaned by Cardiff County Council. It was suggested that signs be placed in that area notifying visitors that the residents would like to keep their village litter free. Dog littering signs have also been placed around the village.
- 10.04 Refuse bins are being stolen. If replacement bins are required they can be provided free of charge from Cardiff County Council.
- 10.05 Reports have been made of attempts to access the rear of back gardens particularly Merthyr Road and Queen Street.
- 10.06 Cllr Michael Griffiths stated that the litter problem at Merthyr Road has got progressively worse since the bin has been removed from outside of the Spar shop. The County Council performs a litter pick once a week but the road sweeper is unable to clean the gutters properly as cars are always parked. Bins have been requested at Castell Coch view next to the lane and also outside of the Spar shop.
- 10.07 Garden waste white disposal bags are no longer available at Spar. They must be ordered on line or by telephone or can be collected at leisure centres and libraries.
- 10.08 It was noted a tree behind St Michael's Close looked dangerous, however it was confirmed that the land belongs to Wales & West Housing Association.

11.00 ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS BY PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR.

- 11.01 None

12.00 DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

- 12.01 Monday April 27th 2015, 7.00pm.
- 12.02 The meeting closed at 20:05 hrs.