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# TONNA COMMUNITY COUNCIL CYNGOR CYMUNED TONNAU

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Council Meeting held at the Tonna Primary Community School, School Road, Tonna, at 7.00 pm, on Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> July, 2017.

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In the absence of Cllr. S. Roberts, the Vice-chair, Cllr. Colin Powell signed the acceptance of office and took the chair.

Chair Cllr. C. Powell

Present Cllr's. Ms. J. Barnes, H. Bradley, Mrs. E. M. Evans, Mrs. C. Harper, M. Hughes, M. Rowlands and C. Williams.

2401 Apologies

Cllr's. D. Harrison, S. Radford and S. Roberts

2402 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

2403 Community Police Matters

PCSO Richard James attended the meeting even though he was off duty and the Chair thanked him for his attendance. The main item of discussion was the recent suspected drug dealing in School Road. PCSO James explained the difficulties and the procedures which have to be observed but assured the meeting that everything possible was being done. During the discussion, C.B. Cllr. Leanne Jones, who was also in attendance, was asked to approach NPT Homes to try to get some action at the address where the problem seemed to be originating. It was also mentioned that there were other suspected areas in the village where it was suspected that dealers had been attending. These included the vicinity of Tonna RFC, especially on training nights, Dan Y Bryn playground and Tyn Yr Heol House. PCSO James said that these areas were on a "hot list" which was now regularly being patrolled.

Cllr. Mrs. Enfys Evans renewed the continuous complaint about people who were parking fully on the pavement in School Road. PCSO James said that he would monitor this and pass it on to others.

Finally the Clerk reminded the meeting that the next PACT meeting would be held at the School on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July commencing at 6.30 pm.

2404 County Borough Councillors Report

C.B. Cllr. Leanne Jones gave a full report of the issues raised at the previous meeting. These included the National Trust response to the overgrown hedges, a report from NPT Countryside Dept. regarding the maintenance of the Bridleways, the reason for the old type bus shelter at Noddfa Newydd, the new road sign needed for Hunters Ridge, which will be done a.s.a.p., and a response from NPT Planning Dept., regarding the S 106 agreement, which did not include for the use of compensation payments to be used outside the specific location. Cllr. Jones also said that the Planning Dept., had no record of Cllr. Powell's complaint regarding the escape of dirty water from Barratts site. Cllr Jones then went on to say that she was organising her own traffic survey and requesting information on proposals regarding future traffic control in the Tonna area. These could include traffic mirrors at various locations, traffic calming measures and even yellow lines. She said that she had a meeting arranged with Tonna Hospital

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regarding the parking conditions there which were causing difficulties on the main road. Finally she said that there had been a need to address problems with a few trees in the village, one of which had been completely removed.

Cllr. Mrs. Enfy's Evans then brought up the problem with Japanese knotweed, which was getting steadily worse in Tonna and which was receiving no attention at all. Cllr. Jones said that this problem was recognised by NPTCBC and she asked if she could visit the particular site in question in order to report back to the County Borough.

Finally Cllr. Jones was asked to look in to the matter of the resurfacing of Tai Bank. She was told that although the whole road had been scrubbed up in readiness for tarmac, only part of the road had been completed. She will look into the matter.

2405 The minutes of the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> June 2017 were accepted as a correct record.

2406 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

2407 Delegates Reports

Cllr. Mrs. Christine Harper said that she had attended Tonna RFC Carnival and had judged one of the sections. She said that it had been a most successful day.

2408 Playgrounds

Due to the recent illness of Cllr. Mrs. Christine Harper and the absence of Cllr. Darren Harrison, it was not possible to progress this matter at this meeting. It was left in abeyance until the next meeting.

2409 Wish List

Cllr. Mrs. Enfy's Evans said that she needed to order a love spoon for the forthcoming 90<sup>th</sup> birthday of Mrs Joan Bunston. The Council agreed with this request.

Information was sought regarding the current position of Tyn Yr Heol House which was being used by youths who were using the ground and premises as a convenient place for drinking and generally hanging out. C.B. Cllr. Jones gave the up to date position with regards to the owners financial inability to complete on their scheme and the fact that it was becoming a serious possibility that they may be allowed to knock down the remains of this unsafe building and develop the site. PCSO Richard James then said that in the meantime, this location was on the police "hot list" of premises to be monitored.

2410 Correspondence

One Voice Wales	One Voice Wales Conference for larger councils	Noted
One Voice Wales	Great Place Scheme (To promote culture)	Noted
WAG	Welsh Government Workshops (Higher radioactive waste)	Noted
One Voice Wales	Welsh Government Workshops (Higher radioactive waste)	Noted
One Voice Wales	Sustainable Management Scheme (Natural resources)	Noted
One Voice Wales	Training (Code of Conduct)	Noted
One Voice Wales	Training (New Councillor Induction)	Noted
One Voice Wales	School Organisation Code	Noted
NPTCBC	Christmas lighting	Noted

2411 Planning

P2017 / 0569	Oliver Farr	Works to sycamore tree	No objection
P2017 / 0628	Parc Pelenna	Request for a two year extension	No objection
P2017 / 0660	Matthew Rees	Increase roof height	No objection

2412 Annual Return

The Clerk reported that the Annual Return had been forwarded to the external auditor, BDO, by the required date with one exception. He said that he was only waiting for a RTI document from our payroll services contractor which when available would be forwarded as soon as possible and by agreement with BDO.

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2413 Accounts Monitoring

The Clerk informed that the items included for monitoring this month were; Monitor the Budget and Quarterly Bank Reconciliation. He then went through the Budget and was able to show that the expenditure was within budget at this time. He then confirmed that he and Councillor Colin Powell had confirmed the Bank Reconciliation to be correct.

2414 Financial Matters

The Clerk explained that he had received the name of the proposed supplier of 2 Notice Boards and had contacted them with a view to placing an order. However, upon discussion and when all of the necessary add-ons were completed, it was discovered that the all up price had increased from approximately £856 to £1,550. Because of this he felt that he could not place an order without coming back to the Council. After a discussion it was decided to place enquiries with a couple of local companies to see if a better price could be obtained. As there was now a summer break it was agreed that the Clerk would circulate the members when the prices were available.

The following payments were approved by the Council

PAYMENTS

Clive Willis	5 <sup>th</sup> Grass cut
Tonna Primary School	Community Centre costs

The Clerk then reminded the Council that it was customary to engage delegated powers for August in order that important payments can be made in the usual way. This was agreed.

2415 The Chair then advised the members that there would be a break during August and that the next Ordinary Meeting of the Council would be held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September commencing at 7.00 pm at Tonna Primary Community School, School Road, Tonna.

The meeting closed at 8.20 pm

Chairman.....

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