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## TONNA COMMUNITY COUNCIL Cyngor cymuned tonnau

#### TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

Dear Councillor,

The next Ordinary Meeting of Tonna Community Council will be held on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2017 at Tonna Primary Community School, School Road, Tonna, commencing at 7.00 p.m.

Your attendance is kindly requested. The Agenda appears below.

Yours faithfully,

Peter L'White

P. L. White, Clerk to the Council.

#### AGENDA

- 1) Apologies
- 2) Declaration of interests
- 3) Community Police Matters
- 4) County Borough Councillors Report
- 5) To confirm the Minutes of Meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> December, 2017.
- 6) Matters arising
- 7) Delegates Report
- 8) Website
- 9) Playgrounds
- 10) Wish List
- 11) Correspondence
- 12) Planning
- 13) Accounts Monitoring
- 14) Financial Matters

To confirm the date of the next Ordinary Meeting of the Council to be held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December, 2017.

Please notify the Clerk by 5<sup>th</sup> January if there is any item that you may wish to be added to the Agenda.



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### Council Meeting held at the Tonna Primary Community School, School Road, Tonna, at 7.00 pm, on Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2017.

Chair, Cllr. S.L. Roberts

Present Cllr's. Ms. J. Barnes, H. Bradley, Mrs. E. M. Evans, Mrs. C. Harper, D.P. Harrison, C. Powell, S. Radford, and C. Williams.

2445 Apologies

Cllr's M. Hughes and M. Rowlands

2446 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

2447 <u>Community Police Matters</u>

There was no Police presence at the meeting. The Clerk informed the members that the next years Pact Meeting dates were due to be agreed with the School. As soon as they are known he will circulate the members.

2448 County Borough Councillors Report

C.B. Cllr. Leanne Jones again apologised for missing the last meeting. She then went on to say that on Thursday, Tonna would be celebrating Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Day by lighting up various notable buildings, including the Ivy Tower and St. Anne's Church with purple floodlights. This was in addition to the sale and display of purple bows and streamers. These actions are particularly in support of the Davies family following the recent passing of Paul Davies last month.

A fallen tree which was obstructing the footpath in Brunel Woods had now been removed by NPTCBC.

She said that following complaints from all sections, visits had been made to the Barratt's site and as a result a notice had been issued on the contractor. There was general agreement that the roads and pavements around the site were filthy and Cllr. Mrs. Enfys Evans asked the C.B Cllr. if she good get all of the pavements in Tonna cleaned. With the noticeable increase in traffic in Tonna. Cllr. Huw Bradley commented on the colour and quality of the bricks being used at the site. There were requests by residents to take a good look at the junctions on to the main road. Traffic is allowed to park so near to the junctions that access in to the main road is sometimes treacherous. It was felt that extending the yellow lines a bit further could enable better vision to motorists attempting to join the main road.

Cllr. Colin Powell asked Cllr Jones if she could get the Refuge Collections in Llantwit rescheduled so that the main refuge and the recycling teams visit an area at different times which would possibly improve the awful traffic delays caused on a Thursday morning.

Finally Cllr Leanne Jones said that she would like any news items to be delivered to her in time for her Newsletter which would be going out near the end of the Month and also would be holding a surgery on the first Wednesday of next month.

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- 2449 The minutes of the meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2017 were accepted as a correct record.
- 2450 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

2451 Delegates Reports

The Clerk confirmed that the Chairman had belatedly delivered a Lovespoon to Mrs. Gwladys Joyner who was suitably pleased with the gift.

Cllr. Ms. Johanne Barnes said that she had attended the PACT meeting at Tonna School. There were no new priorities.

Cllr. Carl Williams informed that although the Council decided not to support the attendance at the Cyber Attacks Seminar, he and the clerk felt that it was potentially important enough for someone to attend to gain information and facts and that they both decided to attend at their own expense. He said that the Seminar had been requested by One Voice Wales, represented on the night by Paul Egan, with Microshade vsm making the presentation. He said that it turned out to be very informative with some very important details coming to light. He said that new Data Protection Legislation was becoming law in May 2018 and all government bodies, large and small would have to comply. The new Legislation included the Clerk of the Council to have a stand-alone computer, with an acceptable form of back-up. There would be a legal requirement for a Data Protection Officer, which should not be the Clerk. There would be a requirement for each council to undertake a GDPR audit. The Audit and the back-up could be done by a separate company such as Microshade at a cost of between £300.00 and £900 per year. He said that all Councillors should be required to sign a Privacy Statement in order to allow their names to be published on the Website and other documents. Paul Egan was however aware of the costs for smaller council such as Tonna and was meeting with the Information Commissioner later this month to see whether costs for smaller council could be somehow reduced.

The Clerk confirmed what Cllr Williams had said and added that the Seminar was conducted by a company who was essentially interested in sales and although a decision and action would need to be taken by May 2018, it would be provident for Tonna to wait to see what transpired in Paul Egan's meeting with the Regulator.

At this point Cllr. Colin Powell said that under the circumstances, he wished to propose a Notice of Motion that Minute No. 2440 of the meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2017 relating to the payment of expenses for the training session on possible Cyber Attacks be rescinded. This was seconded by Cllr' Darren Harrison and the Clerk was instructed to place this item on the agenda for the next meeting.

The Clerk said that the Royal British Legion had given a verbal "thank you" to Tonna Community Council for their support of the |Annual Remembrance Service at St Anne's Church. He said that they would probably officially write to the Council with details of the amounts of money collected during this year's efforts.

#### 2452 Website

The Clerk said that this item had been added to the Agenda because a Councillor had been unhappy with the decisions made at the last and previous meetings regarding the Website. Cllr Mrs. Christine Harper then spoke and said that she had been upset over the fact that she had not been spoken to properly in a discussion that took place after the last meeting. When asked by the Clerk to say who she was speaking about, she confirmed that it had been the Clerk. He denied her accusation and there was no corroboration from any member. Cllr Harper then went on to say that the decision to make Cllr. Carl Williams the new Webmaster had not been discussed in open meeting. This was again refuted and it was pointed out to Cllr. Harper that it had been discussed and indeed proposed and seconded and agreed by the meeting and had also been entered in the minutes which she along with all of the other members had approved. It was also explained to Cllr. Harper that her role as the compiler of the Newsletter and other items for the Website, would not be compromised in any way, and that she and Cllr Simon Radford would still be required to carry out all of the duties which had previously been agreed.

#### 2453 Playgrounds

The Clerk said that he had arranged a meeting with Paul Hinder at NPTCBC to discuss the possibilities of grant aid. He would then report back to the Council for further consideration.

The Clerk reported that he had received a quotation for a small football pitch at Dan Y Bryn. This included cutting out 170 sq. mtrs. Of grass, cultivate 170 sq. mtrs. Of ground, lay new top soil and level out, and lay new turf. The quoted price was discussed by the Council and although it was within an acceptable amount it was decided to leave this matter until a later date.

#### 2454 Wish List

Notice Boards. Cllr Huw Bradley reported that the Notice Boards would be manufactured over the next couple of weeks.

Welcome To Tonna Sign. The Clerk reported that he had not yet been able to meet with NPTCBC regarding the damage to the Welcome to Tonna sign at Llantwit Hill.

Website. The Clerk was able to report that since the appointment of Cllr Carl Williams at the last meeting he had transformed the Website and that it was now up to an acceptable standard. This now satisfied the qualification on the Annual Return.

2 Seats Near AJ's. Cllr Mrs. Enfys Evans said that as the For Sale notice had been removed, perhaps the Council could get the hedge cut and leave the seats in place until further notice.

Bridleways. C.B. Cllr. Leanne Jones said that she would take up the regular maintenance with NPTCBC on our behalf.

Dan Y Bryn Fence. The Clerk reported that the wood had been received and that the contractor was liaising with the householder to arrange a suitable date for erection.

Civic Service. The Clerk said that due to organisational difficulties, this year's Civic Service would now be held in February. Cllr. Mrs. Enfys Evans said that this Service should be held earlier in the year, possibly June. The Clerk said that he would try to arrange with next year's Chair in order that this could be achieved.

Christmas Meeting. Cllr. Mrs Enfys Evans said that she thought that the School concerts would be held on the week of the 11<sup>th</sup> December which would make it impossible for the Council to hold the December meeting on the 12<sup>th</sup> December. Further discussion took place and it was decided to hold the next meeting at the Aberdulais Branch of the Royal British Legion commencing at 6.30 pm to be followed by the Christmas Buffet which it was hoped all Councillors would attend.

#### 2455 Correspondence

The Clerk confirmed that all correspondence via email had been forwarded to the members and the only written correspondence had been a letter from Mr Rob Thomas, 22, Wenallt Road, Tonna. Mr. Thomas was considering purchasing Little Oaks near the Memorial Gates sat Tonna RFC. As is required he had a survey done and was told that the root system of an oak tree in the Memorial Park could possibly encroach upon the foundations of the bungalow. He was therefore requesting that the Community Council consider felling the tree and possibly replacing it with another or others but further away from Little Oak Bungalow.

Cllr. Colin Powell said that he would look further into the matter and report back to the Council

#### 2456 Planning

P2017 / 0851 Mr Adrian Gould

Retention of canopy and level platform No objection

#### 2457 Accounts Monitoring

The Clerk informed that the item included for monitoring this month were, preparation of Budget. He asked members to notify him of any requirements that they could foresee for the coming year.

#### 2458 Financial Matters

The Clerk reminded the members that one set of lights for the small Christmas tree had failed during the Christmas period last year and would need to be replaced. He also said that when Centregreat visited to provide a price for the erection of lights for this year it was discovered that at least one of the strings of lights had been damaged on the large tree. This was probably due to Storm George. He said that he had obtained on an emergency basis, a replacement string which would be installed when the small tree was being dressed.

#### PAYMENTS

Clive Willis 10<sup>th</sup> Grass cut Royal British Legion Poppy wreath

2459 The Chair then advised the members that the next Ordinary Meeting of the Council would be held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December commencing at 6.30 pm at the Royal British Legion, Aberdulais to be followed by the Christmas Buffet.

The meeting closed at 8.45 pm

Chairman
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