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# TONNA COMMUNITY COUNCIL CYNGOR CYMUNED TONNAU

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## TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

Dear Councillor,

The next Ordinary Meeting of Tonna Community Council will be held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2020 at Tonna Primary Community School, School Road, Tonna, commencing at 7.00. pm

Your attendance is kindly requested. The Agenda appears below.

Yours faithfully,

*Peter L White*

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Clerk to the Council.

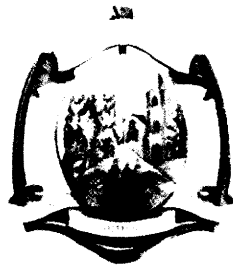
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## AGENDA

- 1) Apologies
- 2) Declaration of interests
- 3) Community Police Matters
- 4) County Borough Councillors Report
- 5) To confirm the Minutes of Meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> February, 2020
- 6) Matters arising
- 7) Delegates Report
- 8) Playgrounds
- 9) Visibility of Council Work
- 10) Wish List
- 11) Correspondence
- 12) Planning
- 13) Standing Orders
- 14) Accounts monitoring
- 15) Financial Matters

To confirm the date of the next Ordinary Meeting of the Council to be held on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>, April, 2020, commencing at 7.00 pm.

Please notify the Clerk by 6<sup>th</sup> March if there is any item that you may wish to be added to the Agenda.



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Council Meeting held at Tonna Primary Community School, School Road, Tonna, commencing at 7.00 pm, on Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2020.

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Chair. Cllr. Huw Bradley

Present Cllr's. Ms. J. Barnes, Mrs. C Harper, D. Harrison, M. Hughes, C. Powell, S. Radford, S. Roberts, M. Rowlands and C. Williams..

2852 Apologies

Cllr's. W. Walters.

2853 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of Interest.

2854 Community Police Matters

There was no police presence at tonight's meeting.

2855 County Borough Councillors Report

C.B. Cllr. Leanne Jones was not present at tonight's meeting. No report.

2856 The minutes of the meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> February, 2020 were accepted as a correct record.

2857 Matters Arising

The Chair thanked the members who had been able attend the Civic Service on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> February at Noddfa Newydd Baptist Chapel. He said that in spite of Storm Dennis there had been a reasonably good turnout. The Clerk said that unfortunately the person who had provided the buffet had been evacuated by police due to her home being flooded and that emergency arrangements had to be made

He reminded the meeting that it was usual to make a donation to the Church in lieu of their collection. It was proposed by Cllr. Colin Powell that a donation of £150.00 be made to the Church. The Clerk also informed that St Anne's Church had loaned the Council glasses and other crockery for the Service. Cllr Colin Powell also proposed that a donation of £20.00 be made to St Anne's for this gesture. Both Proposals were seconded by Cllr Simon Radford and carried by the members.

2858 Delegates Reports

There were no Delegates reports.

2859 Playgrounds

The Clerk reported that due to the continual bad weather and the fact that there was a need for dry weather to lay the wet-pour, the Dan Y Bryn contract was still not complete. There was further discussion regarding the dividing fence and it was thought that as this was part of the original requirement it should now be added to the contract. The Clerk will contact the Contractor. There was also extensive discussion regarding whether or not there should be an official opening and also what this should entail. Eventually it was decided that it should not be decided now and that at a later, suitable date a low key opening should take place with the Chair of the council and some photographs for the local papers.

2860 Visibility of Council Work

Cllr. Christine Harper raised the issue of notifying the general public as to the work and achievements of the Council. There was extensive discussion regarding Facebook and or Instagram and it was eventually proposed by Cllr Harper that Cllr Simon Radford should set up and run a Council Facebook / Instagram site to notify the residents of Tonna if and when something was happening

2861 Wish List

**Web-site** Cllr Carl Williams reported that following a request from Cllr Mrs Christine Harper, enquiries and investigations had taken place to try and alter the colour of the printing on the web-site. At this time this had not been possible but efforts were still being made to try and amend this.

**Memorial Playground** The Clerk informed that our open spaces contractor had carried out a clean-up at the Park which included removal of rubbish, fallen leaves etc., and the tidying up and making safe of various trees and damaged branches. Cllr. Ms Johanne Barnes said that she was still not happy with the cement marks on the playground following the installation of the sleepers to firm up the edging. The Clerk said he would ensure that this clean-up work would be completed before payment for the other work.

**HSBC** The Clerk said that it had been necessary to make several visits to the Bank, some of which had been to the Swansea Business Branch. He said that the various requirements had now been satisfied and he was hopeful that everything was now in place. He also said that the up-dated mandate had now been submitted but for some reason it still needed members to visit the Bank in Neath with appropriate i.d. This included the two new signatories, Cllr's Mike Rowlands and Carl Williams and also Cllr's Simon Radford, Ms. Johanne Barnes, Mrs Christine Harper and Darren Harrison,

**Land Registration** The Clerk reported that he had met with Chris James of Jennifer Melly Law regarding land registration of the land above Dan Y Bryn Playground. He said that in the opinion of Mr. James, we had insufficient evidence to secure registration. He said that following discussion with Mr. James, he would now be seeking information from the Swansea Archives and also any remaining family members for the Wenallt farm.

**Nature Start-up Packages** The Clerk said that since the previous meeting he had received notification of grant packages for small Nature Packages. This had been circulated and several members had given a favourable response so an application has made to Tidy Wales.

**Notice Boards** There was lengthy discussion regarding the state of the Notice Boards at Lock Hill, Noddfa Newydd and Dan Y Bryn. It was generally felt that although they were not in a good state and needed some attention, in the short term, they should be looked at to see if they can be brought up to an improved and fit for purpose use.

2862 Correspondence

There was no correspondence other than that that circulated through the month.

2863 Planning

P2020/0131	Mr. W. Walters.	Wenallt Road, Tonna Single storey front and rear extensions	No comment
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2864 Accounts Monitoring

The Clerk's salary was approved.

2865 Financial Matters

The Clerk Advised the meeting that members would need to opt-out in writing if they decided not to accept the Members Allowance of £150.00 for 2020 / 2021. If they decided to accept the allowance it would be paid during the last month of the financial year and would be done through D. Malley, who operates the payroll for the Council. It would of course be liable to tax and declared on the ICO return at the end of the year. He then circulated forms for the Councillors to use should they decide to opt out.

**PAYMENTS**

Pancreatic Cancer UK	Civic Service collection	Approved
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Claire Fight	Civic Service collection	Approved
Clive Willis	First grass cut	Approved
Clive Willis	Service of the litter bins	Approved
Clive Willis	Memorial Park clean-up and repairs	Approved
NPTCBC	Community Centre costs	Approved
Noddfa Newydd Church	Donation for Civic Service	Approved
Friends of St Anne's	Loan of glasses/ and crockery for Civic Service	Approved
P.L. White	Clerks salary (3mths)	Approved
P.L. White	Office rental (3mths)	Approved
P.L. White	Clerks expenses (3mths)	Approved
HMRC	Clerks tax and N.I. (3mths)	Approved

RECEIPTS

Civic Service	Civic Service collection
Allotments	Allotments rentals

2851 The Chair then advised the members that the next Ordinary Meeting of the Council was due to take place on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April. He said that this was immediately following the Easter weekend and as the School was closed, the members should consider an alternative date. It was decided to leave the announcement of the date of the next meeting until the Clerk had received more information regarding the Playground and the availability of the School etc.

The meeting closed at 8.55 pm

Chairman.....

Date.....