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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> June, 2022 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

P. L. White, Clerk to the Council.

#### **AGENDA**

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- 2) Declaration of interests
- 3) Calor Gas
- 4) Police
- 5) County Borough Councillors Report
- 6) To confirm the Minutes of Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2022
- 7) Matters arising
- 8) Delegates Reports
- 9) Playgrounds
- 10) Notice Board
- 11) Wish List
- 12) Water Memorial Park
- 13) Correspondence
- 14) Planning
- 15) Payments to Councillors
- 16) Accounts monitoring
- 17) Financial Matters

To confirm the date of the next Ordinary Meeting to be held on 12<sup>th</sup> July, 2022, at Tonna Primary Community School, School Road, Tonna, commencing at 7.00 pm.

Please notify the Clerk by 10<sup>th</sup> June 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, 14th June, 2022.

Chair. Cllr. W. D. Walters

Present Clir's. Ms. J. Barnes, H. Bradley, D. Harrison, M. Lyddon, C. Powell, S. Radford, S. Roberts, and M. Rowlands.

3197 **Apologies** 

There were no apologies

3198 **Declarations of Interest** 

There were no declarations of interest.

3199 Calor Gas

> The meeting was attended by Mr. Oliver George and Mr Steve McNeill, the Aberdulais Plant Manager and his assistant who were attending by request to update the Council on various concerns over possible increased capacity at the Plant and any possible implications. Mr George was able to confirm that the capacity of the Plant had not increased for the last 10 years, in fact, due to Covid, it had reduced somewhat. Mr George also confirmed that he regularly reported to NPTCBC regarding safety and general conditions at the Plant and any report back to Tonna should come via NPT. He said that he would report our concerns during his next meeting with them.

The Chair thanked Mr George and Mr McNeill for their attendance and they left the meeting.

3200 Police

There was no Police attendance at the meeting.

3201 County Borough Councillors Report

There was no County Borough Councillors Report

3202 The minutes of the meeting held on 10th May, 2022 were accepted as a correct record.

3203 **Matters Arising** 

> Cllr Colin Powell informed the meeting that he had visited the site of the Henfaes allotments to ascertain the situation regarding the hedge which was restricting light to nearby plots. It was discovered that the offending trees and hedges were actually not on the Tonna property. It was proposed that the Clerk write to Mr Tony Brinksworth to ask for permission to trim the trees and hedges in the location of concern. It was also noted that in order to prune / trim the large oak tree in the vicinity, a tree climber would be needed.

#### 3204 Delegates Reports

The Chair confirmed that he and the Clerk attended the 90<sup>th</sup> birthday celebrations of Mr David Davies and presented him with a commemorative lovespoon and birthday card. Mr Davies was delighted with the gift and the kind thoughts of the Community Council.

#### 3205 Playgrounds

Cllr Stephen Roberts said that the trees at the Memorial Park needed trimming. He requested that the open spaces contractor be instructed to address this issue during his next grass cutting visit. This was approved by the members. Cllr Roberts also proposed that two, stiff, 24" brushes be purchased which would allow him to do temporary work when he visited the playground. This was seconded by Cllr Ms Johanne Barnes and approved by the members.

The Clerk said that there was a report of broken glass and a wasp's nest at the Dan Y Bryn playground. The open space contractor had made a quick visit to clear up the broken vodka bottle but the wasp's nest could not be found.

The refurbishment of the playground was briefly discussed but it was stressed that the existing water problem should be addressed first. Cllr Colin Powell confirmed that he and the Clerk were in the process of trying to arrange a meeting with NPTCBC to try to find a solution to the water problem including the possibility of using some of the S106 money.

#### 3206 Notice Board

The Clerk was able to confirm that the old and vandalised Notice Boards had now been removed. Due to the absence of the County Borough Councillor, there was still no further information available on the proposed new board.

#### 3207 Wish List

The Clerk updated the Council on a number of items as follows,

Land at Dan Y Bryn The Clerk will be delivering a file of information for consideration by

Probert & Barton as soon as possible.

Welcome to Tonna Sign Awaiting local builder to carry out the work.

Lovespoons The Clerk confirmed that a lovespoon for Mrs. Betty Revnish, had

been received for delivery by the Chairman on 29th June. Another for

Mr John Buckley had been ordered.

Traffic Mirror – Lock Hill The Clerk said that the mirror had now been erected.

Signage Brunel Footpath The Clerk said that he had passed the information on to the County

Borough Councillor who was looking into the matter.

#### 3208 Water Memorial Park

Cllr Colin Powell reported that following receipt of a copy of the NPT plans to resolve the water problem at the Memorial Playground, it was apparent that the origin of the problem was not being properly addressed. He again said that he and the Clerk would be trying to arrange a meeting with NPT to investigate further.

#### 3209 Correspondence

T Llewellyn Jones Assignment of Tonna RFC Lease Approved

Tonna RFC Cllr's Colin Powell and Stephen Roberts declared an interest

Following a request to extend the term of the lease it was proposed by Cllr Mike Rowlands and seconded by Cllr Ms Johanne Barnes to allow the lease to be extended. This was agreed by the members and the Clerk was asked to contact Stephen Williams at J Llewellyn Jones to finalise. It was also requested that Mr Williams examine the lease and advise if any tightening up of the conditions were needed.

3210	<u>Planning</u>			
	P2022/0373	Clun Primary School	Condition 21 (Boundary) details	No comment
	P2022/0387	Wellfield, Melincourt	Detached outbuildings and steps	No Comment
	P2022/0400	Brunel Close, Tonna	Convert of garage to living accommodation	No comment
	P2022/0438	Hoopers Way, Tonna	Retention of garden room	No Comment
	P2022/0456	Heol Dyddwr, Tonna	First floor bedroom plus side extension	No comment

#### 3211 Councillors Payments

The Clerk explained the details regarding the mandatory payments to Councillors. He explained that if the members decided not to take this payment, they would have to provide the Clerk with individual letters to confirm.

The meeting then discussed the payment of attendance money. It was proposed by Cllr Colin Powell that the attendance money not be taken up. This was seconded by Cllr Mike Rowlands and approved by the members.

#### 3212 Accounts Monitoring

The Clerk confirmed that he Had circulated the completed Annual Return with all of the additional required papers to the members. He confirmed that the Internal Auditor had completed his work and pending approval by the members, it was ready to send off to the Audit Office Wales for finalisation.

It was proposed by Cllr Colin Powell that the Return be approved. This was seconded by Cllr Mike Rowlands and approved by the members. The Chair and the RFO then signed the document for posting.

The Clerk also said that he had drafted the Notice of Electors Rights which he would post on the Notice Boards and on the Website

#### 3213 Financial Matters

#### **PAYMENTS**

Clive Willis	4 <sup>th</sup> grass cut	Approved
Clive Willis	Servicing Doggie and Litter bins	Approved
Zoar Horse & Country	Bird seed	Approved
Ridgewood Assoc's	Internal Audit	Approved
Miracle Design & Play	Playground inspections	Approved
W. E. Williams	Lovespoon (Mrs Betty Reynish)	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.	Approved
NPTCBC	Community Centre costs	Approved

3214 The Clerk then advised the members that the next ordinary meeting of the Council would be held on Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> July, 2022 at Tonna Primary Community School, School Road, Tonna.

The meeting closed at 8.20 pm

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