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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 13th February, 2024 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

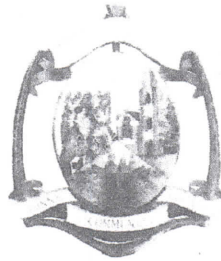
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AGENDA

- 1) Apologies
- 2) Declaration of interests
- 3) Police
- 4) County Borough Councillors Report
- 5) To confirm the Minutes of Meeting held on 9th January, 2024
- 6) Matters arising
- 7) Delegates Reports
- 8) Training
- 9) Water - Memorial Park
- 10) Community Council Surgeries
- 11) Allotments
- 12) Wish List
- 13) Correspondence
- 14) Planning
- 15) Accounts monitoring
- 16) Financial Matters

To confirm the date of the next Ordinary Meeting to be held on 12th March, 2024, at Tonna Primary Community School, School Road, Tonna, commencing at 7.00 pm.

Please notify the Clerk by 9th February 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, 9th January, 2024.

Chair Cllr. S. Roberts

Present Cllr's. Ms. J. Barnes, C. Powell, S. Radford, M. Rowlands, P. Sambrook, W. D. Walters and J. Yeomans.

Due to the absence of the Chairman, the Vice -chairman signed the Acceptance of office and took the Chair.

Before opening the meeting, he wished everyone a Happy New Year and welcomed the newly coopted Councillor, Cllr. James Yeomans to the Council. He said that he hoped that he would enjoy his term with the Council.

3477 Apologies

Cllr's D. Harrison, H. Bradley and M. Lyddon.

3478 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3479 Police

There was no Police presence at tonight's meeting.

3480 County Borough Councillors Report

There was no County Borough Councillors report.

3481 The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 12th December, 2023 were accepted as a correct record.

3482 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

3483 Delegates Reports

The Clerk said that the appointed sub-committee had toured the village before Christmas to assess the various decorations around the village. They had determined that the Best Dressed Christmas House for this year was the Davies family of 30, Dan Y Bryn, Tonna. A voucher for £25.00 was delivered before Christmas.

3484 Training

The meeting discussed the Group Training proposals and Cllr Colin Powell proposed that Module 1, The Council would be the most suitable subject. This was seconded by Cllr. Mike Rowlands and agreed by the members. The Clerk was asked to try to organise it for a Tuesday night in March. He said that he would meet with the Headteacher to get her approval.

3485 Water Memorial Park

The Clerk reported that the recent inclement weather had prevented the completion of the outstanding work, however the Eco drain at the Dolcoed entrance to the park had been completed and initial thoughts were that it was successful in preventing the area from becoming a skating rink. Regarding the flooding at the Neath end of the playground it was felt that a combined meeting of the Playground committee and the Water sub-committee be held to discuss further the recommendations that had been brought forward in the December meeting, to reduce the length of the area thereby doing away with the part that usually gets water-logged during bad weather. The Clerk will organise.

3486 Councillor vacancy

The Clerk confirmed that Cllr Yeomans had completed the Acceptance of Office and Declaration of Interest. He said that he would inform the Election Office

3487 Community Council Surgeries

The Clerk again confirmed that the Community Council Surgery would be held on the last Saturday in month, the 27th January. He will contact the Headteacher to confirm. It was hoped that the Surgery could be publicised on the Council website and also on the County Borough Councillors website.

3488 Allotments

The Clerk reported that the new Allotment Rules had now been delivered and all bar three tenants had responded with acceptance and payment of their rent. He said that he would write to the outstanding people to chase up their response.

3489 Wish List

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

Tonna RFC	The Clerk read out a letter received from the rugby club which would need the attention of the Council. The Clerk confirmed that there could be no action until important information had been obtained from One Voice Wales and our solicitors.
Tonna Maps	The Clerk reported that he had now found a new Company, Harcourt Printers, who had been able to provide prices and were also able to insert the Defibrillator locations. He read out the prices that had been provided and it was proposed that 1,000 copies of the Tonna Walks and 1,000 copies of the Brunel Woodland Walks be ordered. The Clerk will visit Harcourt to confirm the additions to be added.
Brunel Woodland Walk	The Open Spaces contractor provided a price of £200.00 to provide and install a sign post for the Brunel Woodland Walk with bi-lingual signage. It was proposed by Cllr. Ms Johanne Barnes that the sign be ordered. This was seconded by Cllr. Bill Walters and approved by the members.
Playground Inspections	Mr. Wayne Hock of Dragon Play and Sports had visited the both playgrounds and a report had now been received and circulated to the members. It calls for some repairs which would need urgent attention. The Clerk was asked to obtain prices for this work.
Memorial Park Lease	No further progress
Remembrance Wall	The Clerk will contact the Chair to investigate some proposals for bringing forward to the full Council.

Lovespoons The Clerk had now obtained a lovespoon and 90th Birthday card for Mrs. Iris Phillips of 29, Brunel Close on the occasion of her 90th birthday, tomorrow, 10th January. The Clerk will contact the Chair with a view to delivering to Mrs Phillips.

Memorial Gates Prices for repainting and also replacing the sign on the Memorial Gates had now been received from 2 local stone masons. It was proposed by Cllr Mike Rowlands that the order be given to J. J. Lewis. This was seconded by Cllr Bill Walters and approved by the members.

Christmas Lights The Clerk reminded the members that the Christmas Lights sub-committee of Cllr D. Harrison, Ms J. Barnes and M. Rowlands, should meet soon to set forward proposals for 2024 Christmas Lights.

Fence opposite St Anne's The members were aggrieved that there was no action regarding the badly damaged fences throughout Tonna. The Clerk was asked to chase up the ownership of the properties concerned and write to them with copies to NPTCBC.

Biodiversity Cllr Mike Rowlands confirmed that he had as yet received no response from the Grant Providers other than an acknowledgement of receipt.

3490 Correspondence

S.W. Police	Community Speed Watch	Noted
Lamp of Peace	Purchase of Lamp of Peace	Noted

3491 Planning

P2023/0995	C O'Reilly/G Morgan	Single storey extension inc. roof space 12, Woodland Terrace, Resolven	No comment
P2023/0903	Stephen Owen	Detached dwelling South of the rise, Glyncastle	No comment

3492 Accounts Monitoring

Precept	Sent to NPTCBC by the due date
Monitor Budget	Bank statement not received
Bank reconciliation	Bank statement not received

3493 Financial Matters

The Clerk informed the Council that the Quarry Road bridges had been completely renewed. He also informed that there had been extensive rubbish by way of cans etc., dumped in the Brunel Woods which was having an adverse effect on the Woodlan Walk. He said that he had instructed our Open Spaces contractor to remove the rubbish and clean up the area. The Open Spaces contractor had also promised to complete the Goal Posts at Dan Y Bryn Playground as soon as possible.

PAYMENTS

Clive Willis	Replace Quarry Road bridges	1,250.00	Approved
Clive Willis	Litter / doggie bins	60.00	Approved
W. E. Williams	Lovespoon Mrs Iris Phillips	30.00	Approved
Post Office	Gift voucher (Best dressed house)	25.00	Approved
Dragon Play	Playground inspections	240.00	Approved

3494 The Clerk advised the members that the next Ordinary Meeting would be held at Tonna Primary Community School, School Road, Tonna, on Tuesday 13th February, 2024 commencing at 7.00 pm.

The meeting closed at 8.20 pm.

Chairman.....

Date.....