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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

P. L. White, Clerk to the Council.

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
- Delegates Reports
- 8) Training
- 9) Water Memorial Park
- 10) Community Council Surgeries
- 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, 13th February, 2024.

Chair, Cllr. S. Roberts

Present Cllr's. H. Bradley, M. Lyddon, C. Powell, M. Rowlands, P. Sambrook, and J. Yeomans.

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

3495 Apologies

Cllr's D. Harrison, Ms. J. Barnes and W. D. Walters.

3496 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3497 Police

There was no Police presence at tonight's meeting. The Clerk was able to inform the meeting that PCSO Chris Gardner had now been moved from Tonna to Neath Town and would be replaced by PCSO James Tossell. Unfortunately, James was unable to attend tonight's meeting due to not being on shift.

3498 County Borough Councillors Report

There was no County Borough Councillors report.

3499 The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 9th January, 2024 were accepted as a correct record.

3500 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

3501 Delegates Reports

The Clerk reported that the Chair had delivered a card and a lovespoon to Mrs Iris Hopkins on the occasion of her 90th birthday. She was very pleased with the recognition.

3502 Training

The Clerk said that he had booked with One Voice Wales a group training session on 5th March for Module 1 "The Council" and a separate one for Cllr Michael Rowlands "Making effective grants". He said that he had also completed and registered the necessary documents for any bursary claims.

3503 Water Memorial Park

The Clerk reported that Weather permitting, the last drain would be installed this week. He also reported that in the recent combined meeting of Water / playground sub-committees, it was the recommendation that the Henfaes play area be halved and the higher end be used for play equipment for children aged up to twelve years. This would leave an area of 15metres x 28 metres. The proposal was provisionally approved and the Clerk was asked to obtain schemes, proposal's and prices from as many play equipment companies as possible for future consideration by the Council.

3504 Community Council Surgeries

The Clerk again confirmed that the Community Council Surgery was held as arranged on Saturday, 27th January. Various Members turned up but no members of the general public. In any event two reports were received. One regarding speeding vehicles in Wenallt Road and another regarding the newly obtained combination locks for the Henfaes allotments which were difficult if not impossible to manage by a disabled allotmenteer. Given his special knowledge, Cllr James Yeomans was able to offer a solution and said he would meet with the Clerk to look at the problem during next week.

The Clerk was asked to arrange the next Surgery for last Saturday in April after approval of the Headteacher.

3505 Allotments

The Clerk reported that all bar one of the existing allotment tenants had replied complete with agreement and rental. He said that he had written to the final tenant and would report back at the next meeting.

3506 Wish List

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

Prowler The Clock reported th

The Clerk reported that there had been a prowler around the village, looking maybe at cars in driveways. There were two thefts and there were also a couple of cctv captures which had been reported

to the Police c.w. crime number.

Tonna Maps The Clerk said that he had not been able to find a pdf of the maps

and therefore had no alternative other than to request a price based on copying an existing map which would show up the fold lines etc. He was able to confirm that a sample would be provided for the Council to have an opinion as to whether or not the quality was

acceptable.

Brunel Woodland Walk The Open Spaces contractor was hoping to install the new sign

later this week.

Playground Inspections An order had now been placed on Dragon Play to remove the

agreed items from the Dan Y Bryn playground. He stressed that in the opinion of the playground inspector, the slider on the bank should be removed but the Council said that they wished it to stay in

situ.

Doggie bin at Lock Hill Cllr Martyn Lyddon requested that a bigger doggie bin be installed

at Lock Hill. He said that the existing small size bin was regularly being filled to capacity and over. The Clerk was asked to look into

the availability of the bins and report back to the members.

Memorial Park Lease No further progress

Remembrance Wall No further progress

Memorial Gates Still awaiting delivery.

Christmas Lights No further progress

Fence opposite St Anne's No further progress

Biodiversity

No further progress

Goal posts

To be installed this week

St. Anne's Church

The Clerk referred to a letter from St. Anne's Church in which the requested the support of the Community Council in their grant application for the repairs to the steeple. This was approved by the

Council.

3507 Correspondence

There was no significant correspondence

3508 **Planning**

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Curtis Rees

Extension to Dog Grooming salon

Ynys Fawr Avenue, Resolven

No comment

3509 **Accounts Monitoring**

Monitor Budget

The Clerk presented the members with the quarterly Budget Monitor which had already been approved by the Finance sub-committee.

This was also approved by the members.

Bank reconciliation

Copies of the quarterly bank reconciliation were provided for the members which had already been scrutinised by the Finance subcommittee. The reconciliation was approved by the members.

3510 **Financial Matters**

The Clerk informed the Council that the usual contribution of £100 to St Anne's Church for the use of the land and facilities, including electricity supply had not been presented for consideration during the January meeting. It was proposed by Cllr Colin Powell and seconded by Cllr Michael Rowlands that the payment be made this month. This was approved by the members.

The Clerk also informed that he had two replies for the job of the removal of the trees stricken with Ash Dieback at the Heol Y Golo allotments the best price was from our open space contractor, Clive Willis and included the necessary traffic controls complete with manual operation for when trees were being brough to ground, and also the necessary cherry pickers etc. The best price was noted at £1,800 and it was stressed that it was work that had to be carried out. It was proposed by Cllr Colin Powell and seconded by Cllr Martyn Lyddon that the quotation be accepted.

PAYMENTS

St. Anne's Church	Christmas tree expenses	Approved
Clive Willis	Litter / doggie bins	Approved
Clive Willis	Brunel sign	Approved
Clive Willis	Dan Y Bryn goalposts	Approved
Clive Willis	Final Drain Memorial Park	Approved

3511 The Clerk advised the members that the next Ordinary Meeting would be held at Tonna Primary Community School, School Road, Tonna, on Tuesday 12th March, 2024 commencing at 7.00 pm.

The meeting closed at 8.15 pm.

Chairman	
Date	