

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

Dear Councillor,

The next Ordinary Meeting of Tonna Community Council will be held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March, 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.

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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 13<sup>th</sup> February, 2024
- 6) Matters arising
- 7) Delegates Reports
- 8) Water - Memorial Park
- 9) Community Council Surgeries
- 10) Allotments
- 11) Wish List
- 12) Correspondence
- 13) Planning
- 14) Accounts monitoring
- 15) Financial Matters

To confirm the date of the next Ordinary Meeting to be held on 9<sup>th</sup> April, 2024, at Tonna Primary Community School, School Road, Tonna, commencing at 7.00 pm.

Please notify the Clerk by 9<sup>th</sup> March if there is any item that you may wish to be added to the Agenda.

Council Meeting held at Tonna Primary Community School, School Road, Tonna, commencing at 7.00 pm, on Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> February, 2024.

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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 9<sup>th</sup> 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 90<sup>th</sup> 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 5<sup>th</sup> 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, 27<sup>th</sup> 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 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