

Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Tonyrefail & District Community Council, held on THURSDAY 9th May at the Council Office, Trane Cemetery, Tonyrefail which commenced at 6.30 pm.

Present: Councillors: Messrs. Austin Davies (Chairman), Andrew Davies-Jones, D. Owen Jones, G. Powell, Cam Wells, S. Stevens and M. Barron. Mrs. L. Michel, (Vice Chair), Mrs. A. Davies-Jones, Mrs. K. Webb.

Also in attendance:

Pauline Williams – Clerk

Paula Cook- Deputy Clerk/Funding Officer

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

1.1 APOLOGIES SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL

An apology for absence was received from: Councillor Danny Grehan

1.2 APOLOGIES NOT SUBMITTED

None

2. TO RECEIVE DISCLOSURES OF PERSONAL INTEREST

There were no disclosures of personal interest declared.

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

It was **RESOLVED:** To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the monthly meeting held on Thursday 11th April 2019 as a correct record.

In view of Baby Sullivan Davies-Jones being present the Chairman suspended standing orders and took item 16 first in order that Councillor Alexandra Mary Davies-Jones could give her report in case she would need to leave early.

4. PUBLIC BREAK

There were no members of the public present.

5. YOUTH REPRESENTATION ON THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

There were no youth representatives present.

It was **RESOLVED:** To remove this item from the agenda and to re-agenda it for September when the School Council reps will be asked to attend then.

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES (If any)

6.1 TONYREFAIL SKATEBOARD PARK.

As Cllr Grehan was not present Paula Cook was asked to feedback information and updates. The Lottery has rejected the application for the second time. Cllr Grehan has received a detailed e-mail stating why. The suggestion is to look at smaller grant applications. So far over £6000 has been raised through various activities and donations. Another donatee has said that he would give £1500. The Skate park committee may need to seek its own funding from various organisations to access certain funding and the Community Council may have to take a step back from this project.

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It was suggested that visual representation is needed on Facebook and in the leisure centre.

During discussions it was mentioned that Councillors who are already on the Skate Park Committee could be invited to the next Skate Park meeting On June the 4th at Coedely Club.

Another suggestion was for the Skate park Committee to liaise with other partnerships including Aberdare and Tredegar Park Skate parks in Newport in respect of their applications.

6.2 WORDING FOR THE MEMORIAL BENCH FOR THE LATE RICHARD WILLIAMS.

A letter was hand delivered to the family. No response has been received as yet. Cllr Karen Webb will try and meet with family to ask for a response. It was **RESOLVED**: This offer will be withdrawn if there is no response before the next committee meeting.

6.3 PICNIC IN THE PARK 29TH JUNE 2019.

Adverts needed and a meeting between Clerk and Cllr Martin Barron to take place to discuss event activities. Other Councils have organised similar Teddy Bear picnic events so could be contacted.

7 CORRESPONDENCE:

None

8 PLANNING

There were no objections or observations made in respect of the planning application placed on this month's agenda.

An Additional planning application had been received after the circulation of the agenda: -

Application No:	19/0272/10
Proposal:	Change of use of agricultural out buildings to equestrian indoor exercise area and stables (Affecting Public Rights of Way ANT/86, ANT/84 and ANT 92/1.
Location:	Glyn Farm, Llantrisant Road, Tonyrefail

It was **RESOLVED**: That the Clerk has written to RCTCBC advising that the right of way has to be maintained.

Cllr Dan Owen Jones informed the council that a tipping issue in the High Street area has been resolved and that the police have been involved.

Other businesses have shown an interest in moving to the area which two banks previously occupied.

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9. FOOTPATHS**9.1 FOOTPATH REPORT – May 2019**

It was **RESOLVED:** To accept the Footpath report as presented.

10. FINANCE:**10.1 ACCOUNTS PAID APRIL 2019**

It was **RESOLVED:** To accept and approve the accounts as presented.

10.2 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT May 2019

It was **RESOLVED:** To accept and approve the accounts as presented.

10.3 Quarterly Accounts as at 31st March 2019

It was **RESOLVED:** to accept and approve the accounts as presented.

11. MEMBERS AND CLERKS REPORT**11.1 CLERKS REPORT.**

Request from Penrhiwfer allotments to go through Hedge-for access had been received.

It was **RESOLVED:** The allotment committee must comply legally. A hedgerow licence is required from Huw Evans in RCTCBC and Development services in Welsh water need to be contacted.

11.2 MEMBERS REPORT**CLLR DAN OWEN JONES**

- Reported on the urinal problem in Edmondstown, and was advised that this needs to be taken up with RCTCBC.
- Reported that the response to the RCT rocks has been poor. So far nine rocks have been returned out of 22. It was **RESOLVED:** That Cllr Shawn Stevens will advertise it on Facebook and there will be a further 14 days to claim the eggs. The deadline date is Friday 24th May 2019. The remainder of the Easter eggs will be donated to the Food bank.

CLLR. CAMERON WELLS

Reported on the Family Fun Day in Coedely Club at 2p.m. on June 8th 2019. Cllr Wells has invited various organisations including Tonyrefail Skate Park.

CLLR SHAWN STEVENS

Reported that there are a number of variety events taking place at The Savoy Theatre. It was **RESOLVED:** That Tonyrefail Community Council will publicise all events as and when they are notified.

CLLR MARTIN BARRON

Reported that he has delivered the Skate Park newsletters that he had received.

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CLLR KAREN WEBB

Has been asked to find out what is happening with the dropped kerbs in Thomastown. Cllr Alex Davies-Jones has said that the pavements in Pembroke Street are next on the list to be done. Gilfach Road is also on the list. Councillor Austin Davies will investigate further.

CLLR ALEX JONES

Reported that she is awaiting news on Edmondstown Park.

CLLR GREG POWELL

Cllr Greg Powell informed the councillors that Tonyrefail Rugby Club under 13s are through to the final of the Blues Cup in the Arms Park in Cardiff on May 19th 2019.

Cllrs Alex and Andrew Davies- Jones left the meeting at 7.15 p.m.

12. TRANE CEMETERY

There were no issues to discuss.

13. PACT MEETINGS

- **TONYREFAIL EAST**

Cllr Dan Owen- Jones reported that crime figures are low. There has been some trouble with 'boy racers' in the area.

There has been an influx of younger members into the Boxing Club.

PACT meetings have been under attended. PACT notices will be circulated and meetings advertised on Facebook. Homeless people have been reported staying in Mountain View, Thomastown and in The Working men's club.

- **TONYREFAIL WEST**

No reports given

14. STAFFING.**14.1 TO SET DATE AND TIME FOR STAFF APPRAISALS TO BE CARRIED OUT.**

It was **RESOLVED**: Cllr Michel will undertake appraisals.

14.2 TO RECEIVE VERBAL REPORT FROM THE HEALTH AND SAFETY TRAINING DAY HELD ON TUESDAY 7TH MAY 2019.

Cllr Martin Barron gave a report. It was a very positive day with everyone actively involved. Cllr Barron explained the importance and said that all of the risk assessments had been reviewed. A few things had been identified such as the delivery of the fuel oil and the old hydraulic shoring (which was a preference to the new type) has not been working and that the Hydraulic system needs to be repaired.

Tammy and Keith now know what is required and will review annually. Cllr Barron offered further support as necessary.

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It was **RESOLVED:** That Safe methods of work will also be discussed at a later date.

15. EVENTS

15.1 CHRISTMAS 2019.

To discuss whether or not to proceed with the following: -

- Ground preparation for new pin to be installed including lid for pit for safety when not in use (1 off cost) is £530.
- 18 sets of LED string lights in cool white c/w transformers is £495.
- The cost of installing a Christmas tree including supplying and installing dressing and undressing of tree with lights would be £926.
- The cost of the adaption of street lighting column for the powering of the Christmas Tree Lights
- Two extra light features for Column in Mill Street will cost from £75 to £90 each
- The cost of the adaption of Street Lighting Column for the powering of the Christmas Light Features at a cost of £270 per post.
- Plus an additional cost for the 2 extra Light features for installation and removal of £85.00 each.

It was **RESOLVED:** To defer this item to next month.

15.2 FIREWORK DISPLAY

To discuss financial support towards the food and drink for the Edmondstown Fire Work Display 2019. It was **RESOLVED:** To fund a sum of £250 for food and drink only and not the fireworks.

16. REPORT ONLY FROM COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCILLORS.

CLLR ALEX DAVIES-JONES

- Cllr Alex Davies-Jones thanked everyone for their kind wishes and gifts for the new baby.
- Congratulations to 'Just Lloyd's' hairdressers for 50 years of business. A card will be sent on behalf of the Community Council.
- Community Centre, Penrhiwfer have had their planning application turned down. Cllr Alex Davies Jones will meet with the proposed developer next week.
- Culvert work on Hendreforgan, Gilfach Road and B4268, to be carried out before July. Also, the welfare units along the roads will be located at Hendreforgan and Gilfach Road.
- Edmondstown Park. It has still not been announced if this will be done in this financial year.

CLLR DAN OWEN-JONES

- Cllr Dan Owen-Jones advised that the telephone kiosk can be purchased for one pound. It could be given to the 'De fib' group. Suggestions for a notice board and book swap area inside the telephone kiosk were also given.

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- Cllr Dan Owen- Jones also reported that play areas in Coedely opened last week. No problems reported. Heol Aneurin play area has had £82,000 spent on it and the council needed to remove graffiti. A flick knife had been seen there. Police are aware of these issues. Cameras have been installed and a chain and padlock have been given to neighbours.
- Coedely has had a massive clean up by the Waste-buster team. Chief Superintendent Lloyd is going to meet with Cllr Dan Owen –Jones to drive around the area.
- Mayoral awards have taken place in the Mayor’s parlour. Out of nine awards 3 were given to people associated with Tonyrefail. They were PCSO Allan Blackburn, Ella Thomas who participated in ‘The Voice Kids’ and Wayne Griffiths who raised £500,000 for Velindre. More awards will be presented during the evening of celebration on Monday 13th May
- Recently the Gentlemen songsters took part in an international choir competition in which they came second.
- He would like to hold a ‘Celebration’ Evening’ in Capel Farm with RCT in the next 6 weeks.
- Cllr Austin Davies, (Chairman) was congratulated as the Cory Band European champions.
- Cllr Dan Owen Jones would like to know if anyone has gone beyond expectations in their respective fields, and to contact him with the details. He advised that Cllr Austin Davies would be invited to the celebration night to present the awards.
- Keys are expected for St John’s Church next week.
- The engineering report for the main roads past Cwmlai, Penygarreg Road to Ely Valley Road are currently being written.
- Capel Resource Centre is being handed to the Management Committee in eighteen months time. RCT supports it at the moment.
- Reported on the unveiling of Barney’s Bench which took place on Good Friday morning. Lovely comments were received from the community. A plaque is needed to be put on the wall. The Clerk will liaise with Howard who owns Edmunds on whether it can be placed there.

17. TO SET DATE AND TIME FOR COMMITTEE MEETINGS

17.1 WELLBEING COMMITTEE - TO DISCUSS ANNUAL REPORT-

It was **RESOLVED**: That this meeting will be called during the 2nd week of June at 6.30 pm

18 WINDFARM GRANTS

18.1 TONYREFAIL BRANCH OF THE UNIVERSITY OF THE 3RD AGE [U3A]

It was **RESOLVED**: The branch can apply for Community Council funding in July 2019.

19. TO CONSIDER URGENT ITEMS

There were no urgent items to be discussed.

20. TO AGREE: DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

The monthly meeting will take place on Thursday June 13th at 6.30 p.m.

The meeting closed at 7.55 p.m.

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