

MINUTES of the **MONTHLY MEETING** of Tonyrefail & District Community Council held on **THURSDAY 12th DECEMBER 2015** at the Community Hall Prichard Street, Tonyrefail which commenced at 6.30 pm.

PRESENT: Councillors: Messrs. G. Powell, S. Kiff, S. Stevens, A. Davies, G. Evans, D. O. Jones, Mrs. D. Roberts and Mrs. G. Godfrey

In attendance: Mrs. Pauline Williams – Clerk

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

1.1 APOLOGIES SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors: N. Harding (Work Commitment), A. Davies-Jones (Call out at work) and C. Edwards (Finding it difficult to attend meetings at the moment). It was **RESOLVED:** To accept and approve the apologies submitted.

1.2 APOLOGIES NOT SUBMITTED

None.

2. DISCLOSURES OF PERSONAL INTEREST

As Councillor Harding was not in attendance this evening he submitted a signed disclosure in respect of item No. 7.1 on the agenda.

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was **RESOLVED:** To accept and approve the minutes of the Special Meeting, the Monthly Meeting and the Events Committee Meeting all held on Thursday 12th November 2015.

4. PUBLIC BREAK

There were no members of the public present.

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE ABOVE MINUTES:

5.1 FLY-TIPPING

The Clerk informed Council that she had reported the Fly-tipping to RCTCBC and they have asked for precise locations. It was **RESOLVED:** That Councillor G. Evans will provide this information to the Clerk.

5.2 RENEWAL OF TELEPHONE SYSTEM – TRANE CEMETERY

Proceeding.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

6.1 RCTCBC – ACTIVE TRAVEL CONSULTATION EXERCISE

It was **RESOLVED:** To note the information contained in RCTCBC email dated 27th October.

6.2 ONE VOICE WALES – RAMBLERS – PATHS FOR PEOPLE

All Councillors were provided with a copy of the 'Guide to public paths for members of Town and Community Councils' and it was **RESOLVED:** To note the guide.

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6.3 ONE VOICE WALES - WALES COMMISSIONER TO THE EQUALITY & HUMAN RIGHTS.

It was **RESOLVED:** To note the information contained in their email dated 12th November 2015.

6.4 ONE VOICE WALES CHAIR TO THE ARTS COUNCIL OF WALES

It was **RESOLVED:** To note their email dated 12th November 2015 in respect of the advertisement for the Appointment of Chair to the Arts Council for Wales.

6.5 One Voice Wales – Community Health Council

It was **RESOLVED:** To note their email dated 19th November advising that the Community Health Council is looking for new members.

6.6 ONE VOICE WALES - PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS OPPORTUNITY

It was **RESOLVED:** To note their email dated 19th November advising of the advertisement for appointments of Chairs and Members – National Entity for Welsh for Adults Scrutiny Committee.

6.7 ONE VOICE WALES – GREEN GROWTH WALES – OPTIONS FOR INVESTMENT

It was **RESOLVED:** That this item would be discussed further in January when council will bring back their views on the consultation document provided to them.

6.8 ONE VOICE WALES - APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR TO CAREER CHOICES

It was **RESOLVED:** To note their email dated 25th November advising of the advertisement for the above position.

6.9 WELSH GOVERNMENT – DRAFT LOCAL GOVERNMENT (WALES) BILL

It was **RESOLVED:** That this item would be discussed further in January when council has had the opportunity to read the consultation documents on the Welsh Government website.

6.10 TONYREFAIL ENVIRONMENT ASSOCIATION

It was **RESOLVED:** To note their thank you letter dated 18th November.

7. PLANNING:

In his absence, Councillor N. Harding submitted an email to Councillors asking if they would consider re-iterating the previous planning objections in respect of planning application 15/1460/16. It was **RESOLVED:** that the previous objections made by the Community Council would still stand and that the Clerk forwards the letter of objection to RCTCBC.

In respect of Planning Application as/0929/13, it was **RESOLVED:** That the Clerk writes to RCTCBC in respect of the lack of information on the forwarding planning for added infrastructure within the Tonyrefail area to accommodate the developments that are planned for this area i.e. Access and egress points, schools, G.P's and also to point out that Trane cemetery only has a further burial capacity for a4/5 years.

Council discussed a late application inspect of Planning Application 15/1319/13 and it was **RESOLVED:** That an objection is sent to RCTCBC as the area concerned is in a Green Wedge and not in the Local Development Plan, it is also outside of the settlement boundary for Trebanog and Tonyrefail East.

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There were neither objections nor observations to any other planning applications on the agenda.

8. FOOTPATHS:

8.1 TO RECEIVE FOOTPATH REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2015

It was **RESOLVED:** To accept and approve the Footpath report for December.

9. ACCOUNTS:

9.1 ACCOUNTS PAID NOVEMBER 2015

It was **RESOLVED:** To approve and accept the accounts paid November as present to Council.

9.2 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT DECEMBER 2015

It was **RESOLVED:** To approve and accept the accounts to date for December 2015

10. TO RECEIVE: MEMBERS AND CLERKS REPORTS

10.1 CLERKS REPORT

The Clerk informed Council that she would be taking Annual leave from Monday 28th December to Thursday 31st December inclusive.

10.2 MEMBERS REPORT

Several issues were reported in respect of the Community Hall in Prichard Street. It was **RESOLVED:** That the Clerk writes to RCTCBC.

Problems with dog fouling, pot-holes and cleansing on the Footpath between Edmondstown and Ty-Elai were reported. It was **RESOLVED:** That the Clerk writes to RCTCBC.

Litter bins on Parklands Road and Edmondstown Road were reported as over-flowing. It was **RESOLVED:** That the Clerk writes to RCTCBC.

The Chairman had been approached by residents concerned about the access and egress in respect of the planning application for The Rhondda Bowl. It was **RESOLVED:** That this will be discussed when the community council receives further information.

A recent accident which had occurred on 'Barn' hill in Tonyrefail was reported on and it was **RESOLVED:** That the Clerk writes to RCTCBC asking that a 'crash' barrier be placed at the site in question.

11. MONTHLY REPORT FROM THE PACT MEETING

Councillor G. Evans gave a verbal report on the recent pack meeting held.

12. TRANE CEMETERY

12.1 CEMETERY WALL

Proceeding

12.2 EXTENSION TO TRANE CEMETERY

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12.3 EMAIL AND ATTACHMENTS FROM NEWHALL LLP DATED 1ST DECEMBER 2015

Members noted the content of the email and attachments from Newhall LLP and in view of some discrepancies it was **RESOLVED:** That a site meeting is held as soon as possible.

12.4 ARB CONSULTANCY – TREE PLANTING PROPOSALS

It was **RESOLVED:** That no additional trees would be planted in Trane cemetery.

13. ALLOTMENTS

13.1 BARBED WIRE TYLCHA WEN

Proceeding.

13.2 REQUEST FOR GREENHOUSE TO BE ATTACHED TO SHED – PENRHIWFER

Councillors S. Kiff and D. O. Jones will meet on site on Tuesday 15th December at 1.00 p.m.

14. HEALTH & SAFETY

Owing to the Clerks work load the December meeting which had been scheduled was postponed and will now take place on 28th January 2016.

15. PROJECTS:

It was **RESOLVED:** That a public consultation will take place on Face book and on the Council's website.

16. PUBLICITY

16.1 NEWSLETTER

It was **RESOLVED:** That the copies of the newsletter which had not been circulated will be made available in shops in the community.

17. CHRISTMAS 2015

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It was reported that the Christmas Event in the Leisure centre had been a huge success and special thanks were conveyed to Councillors S. Kiff and S. Stevens for all their help.

17.2 CHRISTMAS CONCERT

The Clerk advised that she had delivered the concert 'programme' which she had drawn up to The Savoy theatre and additional copies were give to the Chairman to circulate to all the artists performing on the night.

17.3 CHRISTMAS DINNER

Again the Christmas Dinner was a great success and the Chairman personally thanked Councillor D. O. Jones for being the 'compere' for the evening, as well as Councillors K. Godfrey and S. Kiff for their attendance and help.

18. *Due to the confidential nature of the business of agenda item 18.1 and 18.2 under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 (3) it is proposed to put forward a motion to exclude members of the public during discussion of items 18.1 and 18.2*

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18.1 STAFFING

The Clerk advised council that the employee had a change of mind; therefore this matter was now concluded.

18.2 PENSION POLICY

It was **RESOLVED:** That the P & R Committee would meet in 2016 to draw up a 'Pension Policy' which will be presented to Full Council for approval in due course.

19. COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY

The Chairman and Clerk gave their verbal report on the recent meeting held with Officers from Planning and Finance.

20. ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

The Clerk had written to the Head of Property Services of the Church in Wales in respect of a date for a site meeting but had received no reply. It was **RESOLVED:** That the Clerk will arrange a suitable date in 2016.

21. SUMMER FLOWERING 2016

It was **RESOLVED:** That the Clerk obtains prices for Planters and Village signs with a Flower Box and report back to council in 2016.

22. REPORT FROM COUNCILLOR A. DAVIES-JONES ON THE PUBLIC SECTOR WASTE & RESOURCE EFFICIENCY PLAN - CONSULTATION EVENT.

As Councillor Davies-Jones was not at the meeting it was **RESOLVED:** That this would be deferred to the January meeting.

23. WELL-BEING OF FUTURE GENERATIONS (WALES) ACT 2015

Proceeding – Pending information from the Public Service Board.

24. DOG BINS

Proceeding

25. REPAIRS TO PATH NEAR THE CEMETERY OFFICE

Proceeding

26. REQUEST FOR A STREET LIGHT AND CCTV CAMERA BETWEEN HIGH STREET AND LLANTRISANT ROAD

Council noted the email from RCTCBC dated 8th December. It was **RESOLVED:** That further information will be obtained.

27. DOG FOULING – TYN-Y-BRYN PARK

Proceeding

28. INDEPENDENT REMUNERATION PANEL FOR WALES**28.1 PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE REMUNERATION OF MEMBERS OF COMMUNITY AND TOWN COUNCILS**

It was **RESOLVED:** Not to adopt any of the determinations affecting community and town councils which fall into the 5 categories from the draft annual report of the IRPW.

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29. RCTCBC – COUNCIL TAX PRECEPT 2016-17

It was **RESOLVED:** That the Budget/Precept meeting will take place immediately after the January monthly meeting.

30. TOILETS – EDMONDSTOWN

It was **RESOLVED:** That the toilets would be transferred back to RCTCBC.

31. NOTICE BOARD – PENRHIWFER

It was reported that 2 notice boards would be made available from our MP/AM. It was **RESOLVED:** That the Clerk will arrange to have the Community Council name on each notice board.

32. REQUEST FOR LITTER BIN – HAFOD WEN LAMP-POST 1 OR 18

It was **RESOLVED:** That the Clerk will contact RCTCBC to ask that a litter bin is sited in Hafod Wen.

33. CHAIN OF OFFICE

The Clerk was asked to obtain quotations up to the sum of £500.00.

34. DATE & VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

It was **RESOLVED:** That the next Monthly meeting will take place on Thursday 14th January at 6.30 p.m. in the Community Hall, Prichard Street, Tonyrefail followed by the Budget/Precept Meeting which take place immediately after the Monthly meeting.

Signed

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