

**MINUTES OF TAFF'S WELL & NANTGARW COMMUNITY  
COUNCIL HELD AT:-**

**TY RHIW COMMUNITY CENTRE**

**Tuesday 23 February 2016**

**PRESENT:** Cllrs: L. Thomas, (Chairman) and Helen Edmunds,

**APOLOGIES,** Cllrs: - Charlotte E Griffin, Megan Jones, J Bonetto, S. Lintern and Mel Timothy and C Dyke.

**Also present:** Clerk to the Council Derek Allinson

**INQUORATE MEETING**

Owing to illness the meeting was inquorate it was agreed that the meeting would still be convened but any decisions would be subject to ratification and approval at the next meeting.

**MINUTE No: 1/2/16 DISCLOSURES OF PERSONAL INTEREST**

There were no disclosures of personal interests

**MINUTE No: 2/2/16 POLICE MATTERS:**

No representative was present from the police authority and no apologies presented

**MINUTE No: 3/2/16 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:**

The minutes of the meeting held on 24 January 2016 were confirmed as a true record of the proceedings and signed by the Chairman.

**MINUTE No: 4/2/16 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES:**

There were no matters arising from the previous minutes

**MINUTE No: 5/2/16 CLERK'S REPORT**

**THE PENSION REGULATOR**

Members received, for information, a copy of a letter and compliance check list form issued by the Pensions Regulator in preparation for the implementation of the workplace pensions scheme which starts on the 1 April 2016.

It was confirmed that the Clerk has registered with the scheme and will ensure that the Council's legal obligations are met.

As a result of the financial implications the Clerk had reviewed the Council's internet security and had installed further security measures at a cost of £35.99 and members were requested to approve this expenditure.

In addition, the clerk has also registered on an 'online course' aimed increasing awareness of the legal obligations of employers and informing administrators of the processes required to comply with the regulations.

The Course duration is approximately 40 hours (2 hours per week). The Clerk confirmed that whilst the course is free there will be costs associated with the printing of course work/materials, estimated to be in the region of £30, members were requested to approve this expenditure.

**Resolved:-**

1. Members noted the letter from the Pensions Regulator and the registration of the Council on to the scheme
2. Noted and approved expenditure on the additional financial security measures installed to protect the council's financial systems at a cost of £35.99
3. Approved the participation of the Clerk on the 'Pensions Act on line course' and expenditure of up to £30 in respect of the printing of coursework/materials

**ADOPTION OF NEW MODEL BYELAWS ON SKIN PIERCING ACTIVITIES**

Members gave consideration to a letter from the Rhondda Cynon Taf County Borough Council seeking the Community Council's views in respect of a proposal to further regulate, via the adoption of new model byelaws, businesses that undertake 'skin piercing activities.'

The byelaws will be based on model byelaws developed by the Welsh Government and aim to target poor hygiene and unregistered practitioners

If the Model Byelaws are adopted by the Council, it will be possible for the Council to prosecute both non-compliant and unregistered practitioners. On conviction, the Court may impose a fine and /or suspend or cancel the person's registration. The Court may also suspend or cancel the premises registration so that the practitioner may no longer operate from them.

**Resolved:**

The Community Council fully supports the proposal, by RCTCBC, to introduce new model byelaws on skin piercing activities.

## **APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

Members gave consideration to the following application for financial assistance.

### **1. Friends of Taff's Well Park**

#### **Resolved:-**

A grant of £250 is awarded to the above organisation.

#### **Cllr Helen Edmunds**

- Expressed concern over the accumulation of water on the highway along Main Avenue Treforest
- Noted that whilst the pothole in King Street had been repaired the pothole had since deteriorated even further. It was agreed that the Clerk would once again report this matter to the highway authority.

#### **Cllr Lynne Thomas**

- Noted that there will still horses in the park opposite the cemetery in Ty Rhiw. It was agreed this item be brought to the attention of the County member who was dealing with this problem

#### **Cllr C Dyke MBE**

In her absence the member provided the following written report

- Reported that there was a large hole in the road, with the drain starting to collapse into the hole, as you turn out of Ty Rhiw onto the main road heading towards Tongwynlais, before the roundabout –by the bus stop.
- A large pothole at the top of Caerphilly Hill; just before the roundabout on the right hand side.
- Two holes in Cemetery road just before you turn to go up to the farm (the views)
- Noted that there was still a problem with horses in the playing fields at Ty Rhiw

## **MINUTE No; 7/2/16 FINANCIAL REPORT**

The Clerk presented Members with updated details of balances within the Community Council's current and deposit accounts for January/February 2016.

#### **Resolved:**

Members approved payment of accounts in the sum of £ 1,954.65

**MINUTE No: 8/2/16 –PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Members’ received the following planning applications and **resolved** that the following observations be made known to the County Council.

15/1482/13	Mr & Mrs Stoneman 83 Caer Wenalt Pantmawr Cardiff CF15 7RP	Outline application for single dwelling at:- LAND ADJACENT TO DORIANS HOUSE PARISH ROAD TAFF’S WELL CARDIFF CF15 7RP	Members could not identify the land in question as information had not yet appeared on the County Council’s link. It was agreed that the Clerk would seek further information on this matter.
16/0059/01	Ten Pin Limited Aragon House University Way Cranfield Technology Park Bedford MK43 0EQ	Advertisement consent for 1 no. internally illuminated fascia sign on main elevation. 2 no. internally illuminated wall/window totem at:- BOWLPLEX BOWLING COMPLEX HEOL YR ODYN TREFOREST INDUSTRIAL ESTATE TAFF’S WELL CARDIFF CF15 7Q	Subject to full consultation with neighbouring properties the Community Council would raise no objection to this application

**MINUTE No. 9/2/16 – PUBLIC SESSION**

No members of the public attended the meeting

**MINUTE No; 10/2/16 Dates of future meetings**

The next three meetings of the Community Council will be as follows:

- March meeting: Monday 21 March 2016: Saints Mary & James' Church Hall
- April meeting: Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2016: Tawelfryn Community Centre
- May meeting (including AGM) - Tuesday 24 May 2016 Ty Rhiw Community Centre

It was agreed that meetings will commence at 7.00 pm.

With no further business to discuss the meeting was closed at 7 50 pm.

SIGNED:..... DATE: .....