

**MINUTES OF TAFF'S WELL & NANTGARW COMMUNITY
COUNCIL HELD AT:-
TAWELFYN COMMUNITY CENTRE
THURSDAY 30 MAY 2013**

PAYMENTS TO MEMBERS OF COMMUNITY and TOWN COUNCILS.
Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Annual Report - December 2012

In January 2013 the Community Council resolved to implement the provisions published in the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Annual Report dated December 2012 in the financial year 2013/14.

Within the provision a Community Council is permitted to make a payment to its members of a maximum amount of £100 per year for costs incurred in respect of telephone usage, information technology, consumables etc.

This sum has been included in this month's financial accounts.

Resolved:-

Members noted receipt of the above allowances.

FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS - 2012- 2013

Members received, for approval, a copy of the Council's income and expenditure accounts the financial year 2012- 2013.

The Clerk confirmed that the accounts had been checked and verified by the Council's internal auditor and a copy of the accounts had been placed on the Council's website.

Resolved:-

That the Community Council noted and approved the Council's accounts for the year ended 31 March 2013

PLANTERS AND FLORAL DISPLAYS

At its last meeting the Council agreed, in principle, that 'HUB' be asked to maintain the planters and in recognition of this the Community Council will provide an annual grant of £100 for the purchase of floral decorations etc. Members were requested to confirm these arrangements.

Resolved:-

Members confirm its agreement to allocate an annual sum of £100 to the Taff's Well Community Development Association for the purchase of floral displays to the planters.

CODE OF CONDUCT TRAINING

Members received a letter from the County Council confirming that one of its officers will attend the June meeting of the Community Council to undertake a training session on the 'code of conduct for members. The training will, as agreed, start at 6.30 pm and members were asked to note these arrangements.

Resolved:-

Members noted the content of the letter.

DISABILITY WALES – MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL- 2013-2014

Members' received a copy of an invoice from Disability Wales in respect of the renewal of the Council's Membership fees for 2013-2014.

Members were requested to note the invoice, in the sum of £45, and confirm its continued Membership for the financial year 2013-2014.

Resolved:-

Members confirmed its continued membership of Disability Wales.

APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Members gave consideration to the following application for financial assistance, as a consequence of the group now meeting in Taff's Well and wanting to increase their membership from the locality.

1st PENTYRCH GUIDES

Resolved:

That a grant of £250 be awarded to the above organisation

CHANGE OF DATE FOR NOVEMBER COUNCIL

The Clerk requested a change of date for the November Council.

Resolved:-

That the date of the November Council be changed from Monday 25 November to Thursday 28 November 2013

MINUTE No: 6/05/13 MEMBERS' REPORTS

Cllr Fred Meech

- Informed members of an accident near the College and once again raised the issue of the speed of vehicles entering the Nantgarw Park Industrial Estate. The County Member confirmed that she had raised the issue of 'traffic' calming measures and a possible 20 mph limit with officers of the County but there appeared to be little evidence that such measures would improve the situation and there had been no complaints recorded by the College. The matter will however be reviewed.
- Asked if the Clerk could contact the County Council's highways' department in respect of the 'dangerous' condition of the manhole covers in the vicinity of the ESIS Conference Centre and outside the former Post Office. It was agreed that the Clerk would pass on these observations.

Helen Edmunds

- Informed Members that whilst she was very pleased with the road restoration works currently being undertaken in Glan-y-Llyn she was concerned about the way cars were indiscriminately parked near the traffic lights. It was agreed that whilst the Clerk would raise this issue with the PCSO no further action would be taken as the road works scheme would be completed in the next few months.

Cllr Sandra Lintern

- Informed Members that there was still a problem with dogs on the estate and that one resident had reported to her that he had been bitten by a dog whose owner resided in Tawelfryn Flats. Other resident was continually letting her dog out unaccompanied in the early mornings and late evenings. The Clerk confirmed that he had already contacted the enforcement officer in respect of stray dogs on the estate and that there was little more the Community Council could do to resolve this issue. In respect of the resident who had been bitten the Clerk advised that the resident should make a formal complaint to the police.
- Expressed concern about the recent theft of 'flagstones' from the Pottery and suggested that the trees in this vicinity be cut back so the area was more visible to the public.
- Raised the issue of a house in Yr Hendre that had been unoccupied for at least 5 years. It appeared that the tenant, who was infirm and elderly, was residing with members of her family. The County Council Member agreed that she would raise this issue with RCT Homes.

Cllr Jill Bonetto

Gave Members a comprehensive report on recent County Council activities which included the following:-

- Reported on the action being taken to deal with the continued flooding in the vicinity of the Ferris' garage and the need to replace large sections of pipe work in this vicinity.
- Reported that she had been informed that the flooding by the skew bridge was primarily caused by a problem with the manhole in this area. However, this was the responsibility of Welsh Water and the County Council had asked them to rectify the defect.
- Gave a comprehensive report on the possibility of residents' parking permits following the new guidelines implemented by the County Council.
- Updated members on the action being taken to improve the parking problems caused during local football matches.
- Updated members on her efforts to introduce a 20 mph speed restriction in the vicinity of the college and the problems associated with introducing such measures.

MINUTE No; 7/05/13 FINANCIAL REPORT

The Clerk presented Members with updated details of balances within the Community Council's current and deposit accounts for May 2013

Resolved:

Members approved payment of May's accounts in the sum of £3284.73 which included a grant of £250 to the 1st Pentyrch Guides.

MINUTE No: 8/05/13 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

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

13/0224/10	Mr K Jenkins c/o Agent 65 Cowbridge Road East Cardiff CF11 9AE	Demolition of existing buildings and development of 3 no. two bedroom dwellings with associated access and parking areas at:- 44 CARDIFF ROAD TAFF'S WELL CARDIFF CF15 7RF	Subject to full consultation with neighbouring properties the Community Council would raise no objection to this application
13/0065/10	Mr Smith Crossways Cottage Old Caerphilly Road Nantgarw Cardiff CF15 7TA	Two storey extension and double garage with associated works at:[CROSSWAYS COTTAGE OLD CAERPHILLY ROAD NANTGARW CARDIFF, CF15 7TA	Subject to full consultation with neighbouring properties the Community Council would raise no objection to this application
13/0441/10	Mr H Patel 27 Cardiff Road Nantgarw Nr Cardiff CF15 7SS	Additional apartment with associated works to the rear of :- 27 CARDIFF ROAD NANTGARW TAFF'S WEL CARDIFF CF15 7SS:-	Subject to full consultation with neighbouring properties the Community Council would raise no objection to this application

MINUTE No: 9/05/13

No Members of the Public attended the meeting

MINUTE No; 10/05/13 Dates of future meetings

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

- June meeting - Tuesday 25 June Ty Rhiw Community Centre
- July meeting - Monday 29 July Saints Mary & James' Church Hall
- September meeting - Thursday 26 September Tawelfryn Community Centre

It was agreed that the June meeting would commence at 6.30 pm.
All other meetings will commence at 7.00 pm

With no further business to discuss the meeting was closed at 8.10 pm.

SIGNED:..... DATE: