

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

**TAWELYFRYN COMMUNITY CENTRE  
Thursday 25 September 2014**

**PRESENT:** Cllrs: Megan Jones (Chairman), L. Thomas, J Bonetto, S. Lintern, Mel Timothy,  
and Helen Edmunds

**APOLOGIES,** Cllrs:- Charlotte E Griffin, C. Dyke and Fred Meech and PCSO Marcus Chick

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

**MINUTE No: 1/9/14 DISCLOSURES OF PERSONAL INTEREST**

Councillor Jill Bonetto declared an interest in all planning applications and took no part in the discussions on these items

**MINUTE No: 2/9/14 POLICE MATTERS:**

PCSO Marcus Chick provided the following written information:-

- 03/09/2014, 06/09/2014, 11/09/2014, 13/09/2014, 14/09/2014 – OFF ROAD BIKE'S in field of YR HENDRE and WOODS, Anti Social Behaviour (ASB) referrals submitted, and patrols carried out at location. No further calls since.
- 17/09/2014 – burglary at GLAN Y LLYN Industrial Estate where a laptop computer was stolen, enquiries ongoing.
- 06/09/2014 – Attempt theft of motor bike. Enquiries are ongoing.
- 06/09/2014 – Co-op theft – male cautioned.
- 15/09/2014 – Theft of pushbike from YR HENDRE, later recovered by victim, enquiries ongoing.
- 15/09/2014 – Theft of Push bike GLAN Y FFORDD, enquiries complete, negative result.
- Civil Enforcement officers and I have been attending FYNNON TAFF when available to assist with the parking issues.

**MINUTE NO: 3/9/14 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:**

Members noted that Cllr Mel Timothy's name had not been recorded in the minutes of the meeting held on 28 July 2014. With this correction the minutes were confirmed as a true record of the proceedings and signed by the Chairman:

**MINUTE No: 4/9/14 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES:**

Subject to the above correction there were no outstanding matters arising from the minutes

**MINUTE NO: 5/9/14 CLERK'S REPORT**

**SUMMER RECESS – PLENARY POWERS DECISIONS**

**Planning applications dealt with under plenary powers**

<b>Application Number</b>	<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>Community Council's Observation</b>
14/05/23	Mr Roger Meacham Castel International Ld South Wales Forgemasters Garth Works Taff's Well Cardif CF15 7Y	Demolition former industrial, office and retail units at:-  SOUTH WALES FORGE MASTERS, GARTH WORKS TAFF'S WELL CARDIFF CF15 7YF	The Community Council oppose the demolition on the grounds that some of the premises are still in use by local businesses and demolition could be use as a 'backdoor method' of clearing the site to support a change of use from light industrial land to housing.

**Resolved**

Members noted the above use of plenary powers in respect of the above application

**COMPLETION OF AUDIT REPORT FOR YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2014**

Attached for Members consideration is a copy of the external auditor's report in respect of the year ended 31 March 2014.

Members will note that no qualification issues have been identified and that the audit meets the statutory requirements set out in the "Accounts and Audit (Wales) Regulations 2005" (as amended).

The recommended adjustment in respect of the £15 un-cashed cheque has been completed and Section 1 Box 6 has been adjusted to show £20,145.

The Council is asked to consider matters brought forward by the report and note the advice given in respect of matters not affecting the audit opinion.

**Resolved**

The Community Council noted the comments made by the appointed auditors and approved the report.

**REMEMBRANCE DAY 2014**

Members were requested to consider arrangements for Remembrance Day, which this year falls on Sunday 9th November, and confirm if it wished the Clerk to order the usual 3 wreaths from the British Legion.

**Resolved**

The Clerk was requested to order 3 wreaths from the British Legion.

## **COUNCIL DATES FOR 2015**

Members gave consideration to the dates and venues for Community Council meetings for the calendar year 2015

### **COUNCIL DATES FOR 2015**

- January meeting - Monday 26 January 2015 Saints Mary & James' Church Hall
- February meeting - Thursday 26 February 2015 Tawelyfryn Community Centre
- March meeting - Tuesday 24 March 2015 Ty Rhiw Community Centre
- April meeting - Monday 27 April 2015. Saints Mary & James' Church Hall
- May meeting - Thursday 28 May 2015 Tawelyfryn Community Centre
- June meeting - Tuesday 23 June 2015 Ty Rhiw Community Centre
- July meeting - Monday 27 July 2015 Saints Mary & James' Church Hall
- September meeting - Thursday 24 September 2015 Tawelyfryn Community Centre
- October meeting- Tuesday 27 October 2015 Ty Rhiw Community Centre
- November meeting – Monday 23 November 2015 Saints Mary & James' Church Hall
- December meeting - Thursday 17 December 2015 Tawelyfryn Community Centre

### **Resolved**

Members approved the above dates and venues for its Council meetings for the calendar year 2015.

## **RENEWAL OF INTERNET SECURITY**

Members were requested to note that the annual renewal of the Council's internet security system due at the beginning of September 2014 has been renewed by the Clerk at a cost of £67.49.

### **Resolved**

Members noted and approved payment of £67.49 in respect of the renewal of Kaspersky Internet Security.

## **AN INCREASED ROLE FOR COMMUNITY AND TOWN COUNCILS**

Members received a copy of a letter and associated documents received from Mick Antoniwi AM in respect the above report.

### **Resolved**

Members noted the content of the letter, report and associated documents

## **WALES AUDIT OFFICE**

Members received a copy of a letter received from the Wales Audit Office in respect of the redistribution of 'inspection fees' for 2014-2015 and the redistribution of reserves held at 31 March 2014.

The Clerk confirmed that Town and Community Councils in Wales will receive a sum of £30 in respect of this redistribution.

### **Resolved**

Members noted the content of the letter.

## **MINUTE No: 6/9/14 MEMBERS' REPORTS**

### **Cllr Sandra Lintern**

- Informed members that there was an increasing problem with 'brambles' cascading onto the pavements along the Old Nantgarw Road and asked if action could be taken to remove them.
- Informed members that she had received a number of complaints in respect of the business which appeared to be operating from 15 Yr Hendre. A number of cars were being repaired on the roadside causing noise and a nuisance to residents. The County Council member agreed that she would raise this issue with RCT Homes.

### **Helen Edmunds**

- Informed members that the wall at Oakfield Glan-y-Llyn Square had now been repaired and there did not appear to be any further problems at this site.
- Expressed her serious concern about the repeated infringements of vehicles parking on the zig zag lines. The member's concern was shared by other Members who regularly attended the Library Hub and were concerned that without positive action this was a 'serious accident waiting to happen'. Members had lost confidence in the authorities who were responsible for these matters who they felt were playing 'lip service' to this issue. It was agreed that the Clerk would contact a senior representative of the police and RCT County Council and ask for a meeting with members to further discuss what action could be taken to resolve this matter before a fatality occurs. It was suggested that the meeting take place at the Library Hub on Cardiff Rd at a time convenient to all parties.

### **Cllr Lynne Thomas**

- Noted that cutting of the overgrowth in pop factory lane appears to have been carried out on the brambles, however if the work was undertaken by the Council's contractor it was noted that the cut brambles were not removed.
- Informed members that blackberry bushes along the footpath opposite the houses in Bryn Coch, Glan-y-Llyn were in urgent need of being 'cut back' as they were restricting the use of the footpath. The member noted that a wheelchair had recently become entangled in the overgrowth and requested that the County Council be asked to clear the footpath.

### **Cllr Megan Jones**

- Reported a problem with a large pothole in the vicinity of the post box in Ty Rhiw. The Clerk agreed to report this matter to the highway authority..

### **Cllrs Mel Timothy**

- Reported that there was a large pot hole in the vicinity of the Spice Connoisseur, Garth View House, Cardiff Road, Glan-y-Llyn, the Clerk agreed he would report this matter on line, to RCT.
- Expressed concern that, once again, cars for sale have been parked on the grass verge at the entrance to the Tawelyfryn Estate. Members pointed out the damage that was being done to the grassed area and requested the Clerk to contact the relevant authorities to see if the cars could be removed.
- Noted that there was still a problem with cars doing U turns at the traffic lights at the entrance to the Tawelyfryn Estate.
- Noted that fly tipping was taking place on the Old Nantgarw Rd/Bwnsi Lane (Heol Y Bwnsi). It was agreed the Clerk would report this matter to the RCT litter team.

**Cllr Jill Bonetto**

- Gave a comprehensive report on current issues on the County Council activities including the pressure on budgets as a result of National Government cuts.

**MINUTE No; 7/9/14 FINANCIAL REPORT**

The Clerk presented Members with updated details of balances within the Community Council's current and deposit accounts for August and September 2014.

**Resolved:**

Members approved payment of the August/September accounts in the sum of £2044.34.

**MINUTE No: 8/9/14 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

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

14/079/01	Mr RP Hasan Dragon Car Wash Cardif Road Taff's Well Cardiff CF15 7RF	Retrospective consent for vinyl Barriers to be fixed to the front, rear and side of portacabin at:- DRAGON CAR WASH CARDIF ROAD TAFF'S WELL CARDIFF CF15 7RF	Subject to full consultation with neighbouring properties the Community Council would raise no objection to this application
14/114/10	Mr John Clack 3 The Dell Tonteg Pontypridd CF38 1TG	Erect four bedroom dwelling with associated engineering works and provision for three parking spaces at:- LAND ADJOINING 15 TYLA GWYN NANTGARW TAFF'S WELL CF15 7TD	The Council is concerned that the access and egress arrangements leave a lot to be desired and would be to the detriment of other road users.

**MINUTE No: 9/9/14**

No members of the public attended the meeting

**MINUTE No; 10/9/14 Dates of future meetings**

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

- October meeting- Tuesday 28 October 2014 Ty Rhiw Community Centre
- November meeting – Monday 24 November 2014 Saints Mary & James' Church Hall
- December meeting - Thursday 18 December 2014 Tawelyfryn Community Centre

It was agreed that meetings will commence at 7.00 pm. With no further business to discuss the meeting was closed at 8.25 pm.

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