# CYNGOR CYMUNED TREDEGAR NEWYDD

Clerk and Financial Officer, Mrs D Gronow 7 Clyde Close Pontllanfraith Black wood NP12 2FY



8.7.14

Dear Councillor,

A meeting of the Full Council is to be held at 7.00 pm at White Rose Resource Centre on the 8<sup>th</sup> July 2014 and your presence is hereby requested.

Yours Sincerely

Mrs D E Gronow Clerk to the Council

#### Agenda Full Council

- 1. To receive apologies for absence.
- 2 Chairperson's Report.
- 3. To receive and confirm the minutes of the following meetings: -

Meeting of Full Council held on the 8<sup>th</sup> April 2014 Minutes of Annual General Meeting 13<sup>th</sup> May 2014 Meeting of the Finance Committee held on the 10<sup>th</sup> June 2014 Meeting of Leisure Committee held on the 10<sup>th</sup> June 2014

Matters arising from the minutes

- 4 To receive reports of Council Delegates on External Organisations
- 5. To receive correspondence
- 6. Any Other Business with the prior approval of the Chairperson.

### NEW TREDEGAR COMMUNITY COUNCIL CYNGOR CYMUNED TREDEGAR NEWYDD Meeting of Full Council held on the 8<sup>th</sup> February 2014 at White Rose Resource Centre

#### **Present:**

Councillors D Woodman, (Chair), E White, S Prosser, E Stenner, W Woodman, G Brewer, M Jones, M Evans, D Phillips and M Olsen

#### 3317

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr S Woodman. It was requested that members gave their apologies for this absence. Consent was granted.

Also present at the meeting was a representative of the Urdd who was welcomed to the meeting. She explained that the 2015 Urdd Eisteddfodd was coming to Llanciach Fawr which was going to be a terrific event with other activities like sports and competitions. It was explained to members that this would cost £22 million much of this was funded but there was going to be some local fundraising. It was usual to set up an appeal committee in the local areas surrounding where the actual eisteddfodd would be situated, and it was hoped to set something up in New Tredegar. These committees would not only fundraise but promote community cohesion. The target was to raise a few thousand pounds in each local areas. A few questions were raised by members about setting up these committees, and it was explained that they were volunteers but the running was done under a financial set up with rules supporting the operations. Usually local volunteers were recruited if possible. A number of possible members were identified and it was also suggested that this be raised by the Partnership, but the Partnership was already fundraising for WW1 so their input may be limited but it was agreed it was a good idea for community involvement and once the committee had been set up volunteers could get involved

The Urdd representative indicated that they would contact the partnership. They were thanked for their informative report and then left the meeting.

#### 3318 Chairman's report

A verbal report was presented.

Since the last meeting the following had taken place

Incorrect invoices for meeting rooms had been corrected

Info re fireworks prices had been researched

On 17.3.14 NTCC had been represented at the opening of the Rhymney Integrated Health Care Centre, in the presence of Prince Edward.

Invited to attend WW1 subcommitee group regarding commemoration, Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> Aug is the proposed date but this is still in the planning stages. Other interested parties such as Winding House had also been invited to participate.

#### 3319 Confirmation of minutes.

Meeting of Full Council held on the 11<sup>th</sup> February 2014 Meeting of the Finance Committee held on the 11<sup>th</sup> March 2014 Meeting of Leisure Committee held on the 11<sup>th</sup> March 2014

A small number of minor alterations were required, but they were approved as correct.

#### 3320 Matters arising

Some discussions took place in respect of the WW1 in respect of the involvement of local children in sowing poppy seeds. It was reported that CCBC have sowed 28,000 seeds in New Tredegar and this figure is probably higher due to the school children also getting involved. It was reported that some

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other Community Councils in Wales had provided seeds (eg Gelligaer and Abergavenny) It was reported that Kew gardens were giving out wild flower seeds.

#### Matters arising

- 3302 letter brought in for members consideration and this was noted.
- 3305 it was reported that a cleansing unit and dog warden was to be sent to the offending areas.
- 3312 It was reported that in some other areas of Wales, (eg Brynmawr) the town council contributes to the local Partnership who are responsible for the festive lights. It was reported that this may also be the case in Gelligaer.
- 3313 confirmed that this had been reported
- 3315 it was confirmed that Santa was coming on 7<sup>th</sup> December and arrangements would need to be made and confirmed

Fireworks - the information was distributed in respect of previous years. Cllr Olsen reported that she had found a company in Nottingham and had obtained a quoted for 7<sup>th</sup> November. For a 30 minutes display £4750 inc VAT. For information 2013 cost was £5736. They are able to contact police fire brigade etc and do al H&S paperwork. It was suggested that members could view the.ir you tube channel to see a recent display

Members thanked Cllr Olsen for her research.

Cllr Olsen reported that Howells coaches had quoted £380 for 59 seater for Weston but no prices had been obtained for disabled bus. Prices for 2012 were £340 and 2013 £350. The trip was provisionally booked for the 13<sup>th</sup> August. Cllr Olsen was thanked for the information.

#### 3321 To receive reports of Council Delegates on External Organisations

Cllr Roberts reported that he had attended a meeting of School Governors in Phillpstown. It was reported that the school was investing in tablets for the pupils and will be attending some training on these.

#### 3322 To receive correspondence.

A letter had been received from Phillipstown Community House asking for some financial support. It indicated that the House was in a very dire financial state. No financial info was included but it was confirmed by local members that the House was having difficulties and could be having to close if some support wasn't forthcoming. Various discussions took place as regards options to support the house and it was agreed that assistance would be offered funded from ward funds equally. A sum of £1000 was proposed and agreed.

Planning applications were noted Cllr Stenner declared and interest in these matters.

Various other items of correspondence were noted

3323 Any Other Business	
none	
<b>Meeting Closed</b>	
Signed	Date

# NEW TREDEGAR COMMUNITY COUNCIL CYNGOR CYMUNED TREDEGAR NEWYDD Minutes of the Annual General Meeting Council held on the 13<sup>th</sup> May 2014 at White Rose Resource Centre

#### Present:

Councillors D Woodman (Chair) M Jones, D Phillips, M Roberts, W Woodman, E Stenner, M Evans, G Brewer, M Olsen, S Prosser

#### 3324

Apologies were received from Councillors S Woodman and E White. Consent was requested for these absences and granted accordingly.

#### 3325 Chairperson's report

The Chair gave a verbal report. He thanked all his fellow councilors for their help and support during the year. He offered the incoming chair all the best for their year in office.

He reported that there were a few matters still outstanding

Meeting room rentals were still unresolved.

Summaries in respect of the External Audit fees

A reply to the Post office regarding the proposed move and a summary of concerns was presented and it was agreed that this would be put into a letter and sent as part of the consultation process.

Fireworks – the info on the proposed new contractors you tube was limited so this was to be brought back to council. Other issues of importance are ensuring compliance with official regulations i.e. with stewards and other requirements. It was also suggested that equipment including table chairs and a light are obtained.

#### 3326 to consider the elections for Chairperson of the council for 2014/15

Nominations were submitted for Cllr M Olsen

Cllr Olsen was duly elected.

#### 3327 To receive the Chairperson's Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

Cllr Olsen took the oath of office

#### 3328 To elect the Vice-Chairperson for 2014/15

Nominations were submitted for Cllr Prosser

Cllr Prosser was duly elected.

### 3329 To elect the Chairpersons and Vice-Chairpersons of the Committees of the Council for 2014/15

a) Finance Committee.

Cllr Prosser was elected as Chair of Finance Committee and Cllr D Woodman was elected as Vice Chair

b) Leisure Committee

Cllr Evans was elected as Chair of the Leisure Committee and Cllr Phillips was elected as Vice chair

#### 3330 To elect representatives to serve on the following bodies:-

a. Caerphilly C.B.C. Joint Liaison Committee

Chair of the Council, but this is open to all members who may wish to attend

b. Tirphil Community Centre

Cllr White

c. Philipstown Community Centre

Cllr Evans

d. New Tredegar Community Partnership Board.

Cllr Olsen

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It was requested that the Council review and confirm School Governor nominations. Members were reminded that these were considered at the last meeting and these were confirmed as White Rose Cllr White and Phillipstown Cllr Roberts

#### 3331 To consider the payment of annual subscriptions.

Community Council liaison and the existing payments of annual insurance were agreed.

#### 3332 To consider the Clerk's report. (Report attached) 10.

The Chair declared an interest and handed over to the Vice Chair for this part of the meeting. No increase was approved for the chairs allowance, which remained unchanged The Clerk left the room for the discussions of this issue. No increase was approved to the Clerks

### 3333 To consider the meetings cycle of the Community Council and to agree the list of proposed

Members considered the report and proposed list of meetings and agreed the list of proposed dates.

#### 3334 Correspondence

A number of items were noted.

salary, which remained unchanged.

Planning items were reported. Cllr Stenner declared an interest. It was reported that a planning application had been received in respect of Jubilee Rd for 4 2 bed room houses. This was discussed and concerns were noted with respect to issues of access for emergency vehicles and on street parking should the development be approved. A letter stating these concerns was to be sent to the Planning Section.

#### 3335 Any other business

Meeting closed

A letter was received from Phillipstown residents association requesting a contribution to the school for transport for a trip for Phillipstown and White Rose Schools. An amount of £200 was agreed. Following some discussions it was agreed that the quote from the New Fireworks Company was accepted and a deposit to be paid and the event booked.

Signed_	Date	
	<u>Chairperson</u>	

# NEW TREDEGAR COMMUNITY COUNCIL CYNGOR CYMUNED TREDEGAR NEWYDD Meeting of the Finance Committee held on the 10<sup>th</sup> June 2014 at White Rose Resource Centre

#### **Present:**

Councillors D Woodman, M Jones, M Roberts, W Woodman, D C Phillips, M Roberts and G Brewer

#### 3336

Apologies were received from S Prosser and S Woodman.. Consent was requested and granted for these absences.

#### 3337 To Receive Financial Statements 31.3.14

Some discussions took place.. There was a discussion about the figure reported for clerks salary as this was a higher value than agreed. It was explained that this was due to timing as the final payment for the previous year was included in these figures due to timing and dates of payments combined with changes to the method of reporting and paying the PAYE to the Inland Revenue. It was explained this this was a one off and will be regularised in 2015. No overpayment had arisen as it was only due to a timing difference across two financial years some time ago. It was agreed that for the avoidance of doubt payments will be dated at the exact date for the month end relating to the payment. It was also requested that the accounts be reported to the exact penny. The clerk advised that the External auditors required these figures to be reported to the nearest pound but it was agreed that revised accounts showing the exact penny figures would be prepared for the avoidance of any queries. The 2013/14 accounts were approved

#### 3338 To receive financial statements for year to date 2014/15

It was reported that no increase in Ward funds had been discussed. It was proposed that no actual uplift be applied., however this would need to be approved by Full Council.

It was discussed whether these would be better named as a community fund and used for non specific aspects within all community council ward areas rather than apply to ward defined areas. It was suggested this be discussed at the next Full Council.

#### 3339 To receive Requests for financial assistance

Various items were noted. Included in these was one from White Rose Primary for assistance to their school trip to the Houses of parliament. It was suggested that any contribution be spread over all the ward areas. A sum of £200 was approved.

#### **3340** Correspondence

Various items were received. A response from the Post office was received and the contents reported. Planning items were reported

#### **3341** AOB

It was requested that a letter be sent to the White Rose Medical Centre about the waits for treatment and the difficulties getting appointments and the lack of private facilities to discuss issues with receptionists and this can be very distressing for patients.

Letter to be sent to Dr James and Partners and the Aneurin Bevan Health Board.

Meeting Closed		
Signed	Date	

# NEW TREDEGAR COMMUNITY COUNCIL CYNGOR CYMUNED TREDEGAR NEWYDD Meeting of the leisure Committee held on the 10<sup>th</sup> June 2014 at White Rose Resource Centre

#### **Present:**

Councillors D Woodman, M Jones, M Roberts, W Woodman, D C Phillips, M Roberts and G Brewer

#### 3342

Apologies were received as above

#### 3343 To review projects

Councillor Evans had not reported to Cllr Phillips about the fireworks.

A deposit had been sent to the new provider.

Weston dates agreed as 13/8/14 cost £2 9.30 am departure. Councillors to collect money as follows: Phillipstown, E Stenner, Cwm W Woodman, Brithdir M Olsen, New Tredegar D Phillips Tirphil E White. As usual all names to be received before 31/7/14. with no exceptions.

<b>3344</b> None	Any other business		
Meetin	g closed.		
Signed Chairp		Date	