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TONNA COMMUNITY COUNCIL CYNGOR CYMUNED TONNAU

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

Dear Councillor,

The Annual General Meeting of the Tonna Community Council for this year will be held on Tuesday 18th May, 2021, via Zoom, commencing at 6.30 p.m. to be immediately followed by the next ordinary meeting of the Council.

Your attendance is kindly requested. The Agenda appears below.

Yours faithfully,

Peter L. White.

P. L. White, Clerk to the Council.

AGENDA

- 1) Apologies
- 2) Declaration of Interest
- 3) Chairman's address
- 4) Election of Chairperson for the coming year
- 5) Chairperson's Acceptance of Office
- 6) Election of Vice-chairperson for the coming year
- 7) Vice-chairperson's Acceptance of Office
- 8) Minutes of last AGM, 12th May 2020
- 9) Consider the payment of the Chairman's allowance
- 10) Receive a Financial Report from the Clerk
- 11) Code of Conduct
- 12) Apportionment of duties
- 13) Appointment of Internal Auditor
- 14) Standing Orders



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Annual General Meeting held at Tonna Primary Community School, School Road, Tonna at 6.30 p.m. Tuesday, 18th May, 2021.

Due to the absence of the Chair, the Vice-chair took the chair for the meeting.

Chairman, Councillor M. Rowlands.

<u>Present.</u> Councillors Ms. J. Barnes, H. Bradley, Mrs. C. Harper, D. Harrison, M. Lyddon, C. Powell, S. Roberts, and W. Walters.

Apologies. Cllr. S. Radford

Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest

Chairman's Address.

Due to the absence of the Chair, the Clerk read out a written address on his behalf. Cllr. Radford stated that he had been honoured to have represented Tonna Community Council as Chairman during the past most difficult year. He referred to the good work carried out during the past year by many people with particular mention of Cllr. Johanne Barnes who made countless runs for medication and food items for the sick and elderly. He referred to the accomplishments of the Council which included the Dan Y Bryn Playground and the lock-down library. He said that he had thoroughly enjoyed delivering lovespoons to the people who reached their 90th birthdays and listening to their comments and experiences. Finally he said that he wanted to wish the very best to his successor and to thank the members of the Council for their support during the past year.

Chairperson for the coming year.

The Clerk said that as the outgoing chairman was unavoidably unavailable for tonight's meeting, he had asked that the meeting accept his proposal that the Vice-chair, Cllr Michael Rowlands be nominated as Chair for the coming year. The nomination was seconded by Cllr. Bill Walters and carried by the meeting.

Chairpersons Acceptance of Office

Cllr. Michael Rowlands accepted the nomination, signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and took the Chair.

Vice-Chairman for the coming year.

Cllr. Huw Bradley proposed Cllr. Ms. Johanne Barnes as Vice chair for the coming year, however Cllr. Barnes declined to take the position. She then proposed Cllr. Bill Walters as Vice-chair. This was seconded by Cllr. Colin Powell and passed by the Council.

Vice-chairpersons Acceptance of Office

Cllr. Bill Walters signed the acceptance of office.

Minutes of last AGM, 12th May 2020.

The Minutes of the last AGM dated 12th May 2020 were accepted as a true record.

Chairman's Allowance.

The Clerk reminded the Council of their earlier decision to increase the Chairman's Allowance by £5 every year until further notice. This would make this year's allowance £175 plus the annual increase of £5, therefore making a total of £180. Cllr. Colin Powell proposed that the allowance be accepted and this was seconded by Cllr. Stephen Roberts. The Council approved the payment.

Financial Report.

The Clerk referred to the fact that the Coronavirus had affected a lot of the Councils budgeted items such as the Community Centre costs and the Civic Service etc. The Council had however managed to complete the work at Dan Y Bryn Playground and this had received many favourable comments from local residents. There is also a small fund being raised for work at the Memorial Playground but this may not now be needed as the S 106 payments now become a realistic possibility. Turning the telephone box opposite the Whittington into a lock-down library seems to have been well received but litter in the areas of the playgrounds and Lock Hill is still proving to be a bit of a problem. Other than that the Council stayed fairly within budget.

Apportionment of duties.

The Clerk then read out the apportionment of duties for the previous year and the Councillors were asked to confirm their willingness to perform such duties, with possible changes being noted as follows;

Chair Cllr. M. Rowlands Vice-chair Cllr. W. D. Walters

Dan Y Bryn Playground
Cllr. Mrs. C. Harper, Cllr. S. Roberts.

Memorial Playground
Cllr. Mrs. C. Harper, Cllr. S. Roberts
Playground Sub-committee
Cllr. Mrs. C. Harper, Cllr. S. Roberts
Cllr. D. Harrison (Chair), Cllr Mrs J. Barnes,

Cllr Mrs C. Harper, Cllr S. Radford, Cllr S. Roberts and Cllr

M. Rowlands

Henfaes Allotment Cllr. Ms. J. Barnes
Heol Y Glo Allotment Cllr. C. Powell
Fire Service Cllr. S. Radford

One Voice Wales Cllr. M. Rowlands, Cllr. M. Lyddon Footpaths Cllr. Ms. J. Barnes, Cllr. H. Bradley

Environment Cllr. H. Bradley.
Police Liaison Cllr. Ms. J. Barnes, Clerk

Tree Officer Clr. Ms. J. Barnes, Cle

County Borough Liaison Cllr. W. Walters, Cllr. C. Powell. Canal Liaison Cllr. M. Lyddon

Canal Liaison Cllr. M. Lyddon Webmaster Cllr. S. Radford Minor Authority Governor To be agreed

Finance Sub-committee Cllr. C. Powell (Chair), Cllr. W. Walters Cllr. Rowlands,

Clerk.

The Clerk said that he would circulate the completed list to the Councillors in due course.

Appointment of Internal Auditor

The Clerk advised the members that he was almost ready to present the Annual Return to the Internal Auditor. He said that Ridgewood Associates had been the Councils Internal Auditor since before his own appointment in 2004. He said that he had been completely satisfied with their performance and recommended that the Council re-appoint Ridgewood Associates for the coming year. It was then proposed by Cllr. W. Walters that Ridgewood be appointed. This was seconded by Cllr. D. Harrison and approved by the Council.

Standing Orders	
Adoption proposed by Cllr. D. Harrison, seconded by Cllr. S. Roberts and carried by the members.	
The Annual Meeting closed at 6.55 p.m.	
	Chairperson
	Date