TREDEGAR TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Civic Meeting of Council held in the Council Chamber, Bedwellty House on Wednesday, 7th September, 2016 at 6.30 p.m.

Present: **Councillors J. Thomas (CHAIR)**
T. Smith
A.E. Tippings
M. Cross
D.W.A. Howells
J.C. Morgan
P. Prosser
D. Rowberry
R.W. Thomas
H. Trollope
S. Trollope
M. Turner
B. Willis

In attendance: **Town Clerk – Mrs. C. Price**

Also Present: **Heddlu Gwent Police Inspector Sarah Greening, PCSO Paula Blunt**

116) Apologies. Councillors O. Price, G. Bowen-Knight, S. Baker,G. Meredith and R. Watkins

- ***Welcome*** – Members offered a warm welcome to Inspector Sarah Greening, the newly appointed Officer responsible for Tredegar, and PCSO Paula Blunt, who were in attendance to respond to issues of concern raised by Members.

The Inspector briefly outlined her background to policing and relevant experience, and her aims in dealing with issues in the area. The Officer who would act as substitute in respect of Town Council matters in her absence was PS Matthew Briggs; PC Wes Morgan had now been appointed for the Tredegar area, a qualified Officer who had a workplace background based in Blaenau Gwent.

Members thereupon raised the following concerns and the Inspector responded accordingly:

- **Waundeg** – an individual had been charged with a number of vehicular offences and the vehicle impounded. The Inspector was not aware of any new intelligence, and the incident reported on the night had been dealt with. The Police would react to possession offences rather than dealing of drugs. The Inspector advised Members to ring 101 to ensure intel was reported in order for Police to progress to a warrant.

- **Town Centre walkway** – a Member referred to graffiti and damage to trees in this area and youths throwing stones; he emphasised a need to target this area and also the

vicinity of Cotton's Shop. There was CCTV in the town centre and all incidents had been reported to the Police and a log number obtained. Traders in this vicinity had agreed to open/lock the gates to the walkway and been provided with keys.

- **Illegal Parking – Town Centre** – concerns were raised in respect of cars parking in disabled parking bays and 'drop off' points all day. The Inspector said that work was currently ongoing with the newly appointed Licensing Officer, Katrina Williams, and plans were now in place to deal with such issues and gather evidence to be presented to the next Licensing Panel.

Councillor J. Morgan joined the meeting at this juncture (6.38 p.m.).

- **West Hill** – a Member enquired if an Officer had been assigned the task to monitor vehicles; the Inspector had not assigned an Officer to undertake such a task but was aware of an issue in respect of the rear lane being blocked at Bournville. No Officer had been tasked with monitoring vehicles but would respond to a call, for example, in respect of a stolen car.

- **Loading/Unloading** – problems had been experienced with lorries stopping in the main high street to unload goods; Members highlighted that shops such as Family Finance and Bargain Booze had rear vehicular access that should be used for deliveries. The Inspector said that PC Wes Morgan was monitoring such issues and hopefully Members would see an improvement when the Inspector next attended a meeting of Council. She said that the Police would address this to the best of their ability, with the resources available, and recognised increased parking issues since the dissolution of the traffic warden service.

Councillor M. Cross joined the meeting at this juncture (6.43 p.m.).

Members acknowledged the Inspector's responses but expressed concern that the last three/four predecessors to the Inspector had gave similar responses, but these problems still persisted. Inspector Greening extended an invitation to Members to join with the Neighbourhood Policing Team, on a rota basis, for Members to join Officers on patrol on that day to allocate resources and assign tasks.

In response to a question in respect of using this as an opportunity to boost finances, the Inspector informed Council she was unable to discuss finance as these decisions were made at Chief Officer-level. Members suggested that traffic wardens could be self-sufficient in meeting the cost of the service with the fines levied. It was also suggested that the PCSO role could include traffic warden responsibility, which could assist financing of Community Support Officers.

A Member suggested that it could prove beneficial to their local policing team to write to the Police Commissioner outlining these concerns and emphasising the need for sufficient funding.

- **Anti-Social Behaviour** – a Member asked if the Neighbourhood Team were aware of increased anti-social behaviour in the vicinity of Nisa; the Inspector was unaware of any reports but drew Members' attention to new legislation in relation to Dispersal Orders, which was proving very effective, in allowing Police to clear an area for up to 48 hours and arrest individuals for loitering; she advised Members to telephone and log any incidents.

The Member commended the Neighbourhood Policing Team, who he considered undertook very good work and provided a good response. However, there appeared to be problems with the Response Team fully noting details of the report when attending and, therefore, the issue remained unresolved.

- **Bryn Bach Primary School** – Members highlighted long outstanding problems with parking and congestion outside schools that proved a risk to the safety of pupils. There were consistent problems with illegal parking in the bus bay at Bryn Bach Primary School.

- **General Hospital and Park Row** – the Inspector was informed that the security staff privately-employed were not based on site. There were problems with anti-social behaviour and individuals entering the hospital via a hole in the roof and security personnel were not willing to enter the property until made safe by the Health Authority. The Inspector was unable to provide security for this area, which should be policed by the paid security provided.

- **Bedwellty House and Park** – Members recognised there were difficulties in maintaining security in the Park, due to split responsibility with Parc Bryn Bach and also the ease of access due to a collapsed boundary wall with the General Hospital, however concerns were expressed in respect of vandalism (e.g. setting fires, damage to flowerbeds, etc.) and anti-social behaviour within the Park.

- **Off-road Vehicles/4x4** – only one operation had been undertaken this year; a Member considered that no progress had been made. The Inspector said she would provide a mobile number for the Tredegar Ward Team for Members to immediately report any issues.

Members stressed the need for a comprehensive handover of key issues experienced in the area with the turnover of staff, particularly Inspectors, to ensure continuity of remedial measures to counteract these long outstanding issues in the Tredegar area. The Inspector recognised that the turnaround of staff could prove an issue and agreed there would always be a need to backfill posts, however she would look to put measures in place to alleviate this situation.

Members thanked the Officers for attending and responding to questions raised. The Town Council had a good working relationship with the Neighbourhood Policing Team and welcomed the opportunity to join the local Task Team.

A Member highlighted the need to agenda a standard item in respect of police attendance – Members also considered it would prove helpful if topics could be listed on the agenda. She also suggested that a letter could be sent to the Inspector on the ad hoc attendance; following a brief discussion, Members agreed that the Inspector's attendance at the meeting had been greatly appreciated and did not support the proposal to write.

117) Declarations of Interest.

The Chair reminded Members to make their declarations as and when necessary.

118) Grants:

Thanks from Tredegar Angling Club and Tredegar Quilting Circle; completed end of grant forms from Heads of the Valleys Gateway Club, Bedwellty Park Ladies Bowls, Tredegar Thespian Players, Silurian Boxing Club, Tredegar Town U18's FC and Tredegar Town AFC Seniors.

a) **To receive and consider grants to Sporting and Cultural organisations**
Heads of the Valleys Gateway Club – request for financial assistance to cover the costs incurred by the secretary; such as the purchase of ink, paper and room hire, which will enable them to use fundraised money for trips.
Previous – 2015/2016 September 2015 CHQ No. 253 – approved a Grant of £200.00

b) **To receive and consider grants to Churches & Chapels (s.137)**
Tredegar Methodist Church – request for financial assistance to update the sound system and purchase new speakers for the vestry/school room.
Previous – 2015/2016 May 2015 CHQ No. 188 – approved a Grant of £225.00

119) Planning:

a) To consider an Officer's Report (if received)
None received.

b) Verbal report of the Planning Committee, if any
None received.

c) To consider Planning Applications submitted for Council's observations

App No	Applicant	Proposal
C/2016/0214	Mr. A. MacDougall Tai Calon Community Housing Solis One Rising Sun Industrial Estate Blaina	Tai Calon direction and information signs with a street map and colour coding, various locations positioned within the grassed verge and open spaces on land at St. George's Court

Emailed to Ward Members during recess – No objections.

C/2016/0225	Mr. J. Walters 29 Mafeking Terrace Tredegar	New detached house, land east of Whitworth Terrace

Emailed to Ward Members during recess – No objections.

C/2016/0231	Mr. D. Parry R & M Williams Ltd. Williams House Westpoint Industrial Estate Penarth Road, Cardiff	Residential development of fourteen dwellings (social housing) and associated site works, former Aneurin Bevan residential home site, Ashvale

Emailed to Ward Members during recess – No objections.

C/2016/0233	Mrs. Z. Reed 9 Whitworth Terrace Tredegar	Change of use from B2 to D2 for use as a gymnastics gymnasium, 5 Sirhowy Industrial Estate

Emailed to Ward Members during recess – No objections.

A Member said he considered this an outstanding use for a dilapidated site and was fully supportive of this development; he encouraged Members to visit the facility should an invitation be extended.

C/2016/0234	Miss J. Jones 27 Tynewydd Tredegar	Retention of single storey extension to side and rear of property, 27 Tynewydd

Emailed to Ward Members during recess – No objections.

C/2016/0237	Mr. D. Evans 31 Meadow Crescent Tredegar	Proposed new vehicular access to replace existing and new boundary enclosures, 31 Meadow Crescent

Emailed to Ward Members during recess – No objections, but difficulty inspecting the existing/proposed plan as unclear.

C/2016/0242	Mr. D. Webb 57 Harford Gardens Tredegar	Convert existing garage into sun room/utility room and raise existing garage from 2.4 to 3m and install rooflight, 1 Rose Farm Bungalows

Emailed to Ward Members during recess – No objections; general improvements to existing property.

C/2016/0250	Lidl UK GmbH c/o Mr. M. Southall Bilfinger GVA One Kingsway, Cardiff	Replacement of existing flagpole with 7.45m high totem sign, Lidl Supermarket, Gelli Road, Tredegar
C/2016/0256	Mr. G. Bowen-Knight 113 St. George's Court	Provide wheelchair ramp and entrance door,

	Tredegar	113 St. George's Court
C/2016/0258	Miss S. Woolf 47 Golwyg-y-Mynydd Tredegar	Two-storey rear extension, 47 Golwyg-y-Mynydd

- No objections.

d) To consider other planning matters

C/2016/0101 land at Coed Hirgan Farm, two detached dwellings and garages (outline) – notification of planning appeal.

120) Correspondence

1) BGCBC

a) Consultation with Town/Community Council meeting Wednesday, 28th September, 2016 at 2.30 p.m. Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Ebbw Vale. *Items for inclusion on the agenda to be submitted by 12.00 noon on Wednesday, 14th September, 2016.*

- Clerk to ascertain if any Items outstanding from meeting cancelled previously; and, Members suggested the following, for consideration:

- Delegated powers of Town/Community Councils following amalgamation – update needed;
- Maintenance Programme and Interventions in respect of highway maintenance, particularly potholes.

b) Blaenau Gwent In Bloom

i) Judging – Clock awarded Highly Commended in Public/Private Buildings category.

ii) Presentation 2016, Friday, 16th September, 2016 General Offices, Ebbw Vale, arrival 12.30 p.m. start 1.00 p.m. – ***RSVP by 12.09.2016*.**

- Agreed, Mayor and Consort to attend.

c) A. Thomas Re: Tender opportunity, 4 & 5 The Circle – interested contractors to submit via Sell2Wales website by 12.00 noon Friday 09.09.2016.

- A Member believed that work had already commenced and asked that clarity be sought in respect of this tender opportunity; Clerk to ascertain.

Councillor B Willis declared an interest in the following item and took no part in discussion or voting thereon.

d) i) List of Licensing Applications week ending 22.07.2016.
ii) List of Licensing Applications week ending 29.07.2016.
iii) List of Licensing Applications week ending 05.08.2016.
iv) List of Licensing Applications week ending 12.08.2016.
v) List of Licensing Applications week ending 19.08.2016.
vi) List of Licensing Applications week ending 02.09.2016.

- Noted.

2) One Voice Wales

a) i) Motion for AGM has been declined by the Motions Committee – reasons included in response.
ii) AGM Motions 2016 plus Articles of Association and transfer agreement for move to Limited status.

- Noted.

b) New training schedule for September to December 2016.

- To be forwarded to Members, for information.

c) Planning Law in Wales – Summary of Scoping Paper.

- To be forwarded to Planning representatives to view.

d) Planning Policy Wales online questionnaire, *closing date 30.09.2016.*

- To be forwarded to Members, for information, and encouraged to submit their views.

e) Consultation on Wales Audit Office's proposals for fee rates and fee scales 2017/18, *closing date 23.09.2016.*

- Noted.

f) Invitation to our Heritage Together event 27.09.2016 from 9.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. at Pillgwenlly Millennium Centre, Newport – *circulated to Heritage Sub-Committee members.*

- Noted.

g) Be a Councillor workshop hosted by Welsh Government, Thursday 22.09.2016 at 5.30 p.m. Welsh Government Offices, QED Centre, Treforest Industrial Estate, registration (limited places available) at http://www.eventbrite.com/e/being-a-councillor-workshop-presented-by-cllr-debbie-wilcox-leader-newport-council-tickets-27406272900< http://www.eventbrite.com/e/being-a-councillor-workshop-presented-by-cllr-debbie-wilcox-leader-newport-council-tickets-27406272900?aff=utm_source%3Deb_email%26utm_medium%3Demail%26utm_campaign%3Dnew_event_email&utm_term=eventurl_text>

- Members to contact Clerk to book attendance.

h) Wales Remembers 1914-1918: link to call for programme of 2017 events. http://www.walesremembers.org/call-for-events-for-programme-2017/

- Noted, forwarded to Councillor O. Price.

i) Flood and Coastal Erosion Committee Consultation http://gov.wales/consultations/environmentandcountryside/establishment-of-a-flood-and-coastal-erosion-committee/, closing date 03.11.2016.

- Noted, forwarded to Councillors A.E. Tippings and O. Price.

j) Correspondence and information from the Future Generations Commission.

- Noted.

k) Advice to Community and Town Councils on Working with Young People.

- Noted.

3) Communicorp

Subscription renewal notice due from November 2016 edition – ***to be agreed***

- It was agreed that the subscription for the Local Councils Update (online only) be renewed; RFO to action.

4) General Dynamics

£100 donation to AFD – *cheque banked.*

- Members expressed their thanks for the

donation; Council was informed that General Dynamics had expressed an interest in supporting the Armed Forces event by a display of vehicles and requested that adequate notice be provided, which was agreed accordingly.

5) Kidney Wales Foundation

Thanks for the Tredegar Walk for Life 2016 sponsorship and continued support from Council.

- It was noted that all events were held on the same day nationally and Council emphasised the need to liaise with other organisations to prevent a clash of events to maximise participation and support.

6) Cllr Smith

a) Mayor's Chain – following Finance Committee's Chair's advice, chain taken to Gemtime not posted or hand delivered to Fattorini in Birmingham – ***Ratify decision.***

- A Member said that he had been contacted by the Mayor, as Chair of Staffing and Finance, in respect of an offer by the RFO to deliver the Chain to Fattorini's in Birmingham. He had considered it unsafe for the Officer to travel this distance with the Mayoral Chain; the Leader had also offered but the Member had, again, considered this unsafe. It had therefore been decided that the Chain be taken to Gemtime, who had done an excellent job.

Another Member referred to the cost of the repair and suggested that future Mayors should be mindful of the care of the Chain; Members noted the age of the Chain and considered that the wear and tear was as expected in the circumstances.

It was agreed, therefore, that the decision for Gemtime to undertake the repair of the Mayoral Chain be ratified in retrospect.

Councillors T. Smith and M. Turner arrived at this juncture (8.04 p.m.)

b) Re: Stone – copy of email sent to Peter Morgan-Jones. Invitation to attend a simple dedication service at Bedwellty Park on Wednesday, 21st September, 2016 at 5.00 p.m. ***- Invitation open to all Members.***

- Members noted the change of date of the event, now to be held on Wednesday, 21st September, 2016 at 5.00 p.m.

7) Blachere Illumination		Asking for feedback on the submitted festive lighting quotation. - It was agreed that the Clerk respond to Blachere Illumination to provide feedback in respect of the tender process.
8) Planning Aid Wales		General introduction to planning training Wednesday 26.10.16 from 6.30 p.m. to 9.00 a.m. at the Willows Centre, Bridge Street, Merthyr Tydfil, cost £30 per person. - Councillor M. Turner to attend; Clerk to book place on the course accordingly.
9) R. Taylor-Davies	a)	The Valleys that changed the World meeting 14.09.2016 at 10.30 a.m. Cyfarthfa Castle, Merthyr Tydfil. - Noted, forwarded to Councillors A.E. Tippings and O. Price.
	b)	People's Postcode Lottery Dream fund, *closing date for applications 15.09.2016.* - Noted.
10) Aneurin Bevan University Health Board		The Blaenau Gwent We Want drop-in engagement events – Tredegar Precinct Friday 9th September, 2016 10.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m.; Ebbw Vale Market Friday, 16th September, 2016 10.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m. - Noted, to be publicised on TTC website.
11) GAVO	a)	Volunteer Awards Friday, 14th October, 2016 at 6.45 p.m. Ebbw Vale Institute – four places available for Council, ***names required.*** - Agreed, Mayor and Consort, and Deputy Mayor and Consort, to attend.

Councillor H. Trollope declared an interest in the following item and took no part in discussion or voting thereon.

	b)	Community Asset Transfer of Beaufort Theatre – interest has been received from the community therefore BGCBC have publicised the potential transfer to gauge further public interest in a potential transfer, *closing date for expressions of interest 23.09.2016.* - Noted, to be publicised on TTC website.

c) i) Have your say on the Police and Crime Priorities for Gwent, consultation ends 24.10.2016.
ii) Meet the new Police & Crime Commissioner for Gwent, Mr. Jeff Cuthbert, Monday, 12th September, 2016 Constabulary Headquarters, Cwmbran from 10.00 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. – *booking required.*

- Noted, TTC representatives – Councillors T. Smith and M. Turner had met with the Police and Crime Commissioner that evening, highlighting issues in respect of the Tredegar area.

d) FareShare – How to get free food for your charity.

- Noted, to be publicised on TTC website.

e) Public engagement sessions in relation to Breast Services in Gwent, dates/venues included in attached flyer.

- Noted, to be publicised on TTC website.

f) Funding Bulletin.

- Noted.

g) Welsh Sports Association launching a DBS checking service fully operational from 01.10.2016, administration costs range from £4.50 to £10.00.

- Noted.

h) Flying Start Childcare business opportunity in Cwm – information event being held Wednesday 28.09.2016 from 6.00 p.m. at ICC, High Street, Blaina.

- Noted, to be publicised on TTC website.

12) R. Trimm

a) Tredegar Forum Friday 26.08.2016 at 12.00 noon – CANCELLED. Next meeting will now be Friday, 7th October, 2016.

- Noted, to be publicised on TTC website.

b) WARM (Widening Access, Research & Mentoring) Annual Conference “Co-building New Service User Identifies Through Education” at Gwent Archives, Ebbw Vale on 12th November,

2016.

- Noted, circulated to Heritage Sub-Committee Members.

c) The Blaenau Gwent We Want – Inspirational pack available to assist in promoting participation and engagement events that relate to the Well-Being of Future Generations Act.

- Noted, circulated to Tredegar Live / Climate Change Adaptation Programme Members.

d) Exciting changes to Tesco Bags of Help Fund – the grant scheme, administered by Groundwork UK, is now available to community groups https://data.groundwork.org.uk/civicrm/mailing/view?reset=1&id=887

- Noted, to be publicised on TTC website.

Councillor B Willis declared an interest in the following items and took no part in the discussions or voting thereon.

13) Brecon Beacons National Park Authority

i) Weekly list of planning applications, date: 22.07.2016.- *forwarded to Cllr Price*
ii) Weekly List of Planning Applications, date 29.07.2016 – forwarded to *Cllr Price*
iii) Weekly List of Planning Applications, date 05.08.2016 – forwarded to *Cllr Price*
iv) Weekly list of planning applications, date: 12.08.2016.
v)Weekly list of planning applications, date: 19.08.2016.
vi) Weekly list of planning applications, date: 26.08.2016.

- Noted.

14) Disability Advice Project (DAP)

Able to offer Carers or people with work-limiting conditions advice and support to get back into work – asking for information on their services to be distributed locally.

- Noted, to be publicised on TTC website.

15) **PUBLICATIONS**

Aneurin Bevan Community Health Council Newsletter Issue 27, April-June 2016 – *added to TTC website;* Ville D'Orvault Orvault & Co Issue 07 Sept/Oct 2016; Natural Resources Bulletin Issue 8 August 2016; Brecon Beacons National Park Authority Community Update Autumn 2016 – *forwarded to Cllr Price;* Brecon Beacons Sustainable Destination Partnership Newsletter August 2016; BGCBC Roadworks report week ending 02.09.2016;

GAVO Communities First Ebbw Fawr newsletter; BGCBC Roadworks report week ending 9.9.16; Planning Aid Wales, Planning for communities newsletter; One Voice Wales Older People's Commissioner for Wales Newsletter August 2016; One Voice Wales Ombudsman's Casebook issue 25; Local Councils Update August 2016 Issue 198; Local Councils Update September 2016 Issue 199; Clerks & Councils Direct September 2016 Issue 107.
Available for Members – received.

16) **AGENDA**
Special Education, Active Living and Learning Scrutiny Committee Thursday, 8th September, 2016 being held 4.00 p.m. at the new Abertillery Primary School, Newall Street, Abertillery NP13 1EH; General Licensing Committee Tuesday, 6th September, 2016 at 10.00 a.m. Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Ebbw Vale; Joint Scrutiny Committee (Budget Monitoring) Monday, 5th September, 2016 at 2.00 p.m. Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Ebbw Vale; Advance notice of Democratic Services Committee Tuesday, 4th October, 2016 at 10.00 a.m. Executive Room, Civic Centre, Ebbw Vale; Advance notice of Special Environment, Economy and Infrastructure Scrutiny Committee Tuesday, 18th October, 2016 at 2.00 p.m. Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Ebbw Vale; Advance notice of Special Education, Active Living and Learning Scrutiny Committee Wednesday. 19th October, 2016 at 2.00 p.m. Bedwellty House, Tredegar; Special Education, Active Living and Learning Scrutiny Committee Thursday, 8th September, 2016 at 4.00 p.m. Abertillery Learning Community, Alma Street, Abertillery.
Available for Members – received.

121) Updates regarding Bedwellty House and Park - any issues to have been previously reported direct to the House Management personally

It had been agreed at the Ordinary Meeting of Council that Members would email/contact the office with previously reported issues to Aneurin Leisure Trust staff, which remained outstanding or where no response had been received, in order for Town Clerk to compile an email to the House Manager; the Clerk therefore enquired if any such issues remained outstanding.

A brief discussion ensued in respect of the following issues:

- Council Chamber / Mayor's Parlour being used for storage; unable to open windows in the Assembly Room; request that photographs would be re-hung – no response / feedback received; decline in the condition of the Park, e.g. ponds; security within the Park – intermittent, as security staff covered four sites; name plate to be reinstated above doorway to Mayor's Parlour; and, removal of lead from rooftop outside the Town Council office, which was accessible from the walkway.

Members acknowledged that, in accordance with the lease agreement, a good relationship should be nurtured with Aneurin Leisure staff and it was suggested that Town Council representatives could meet with House staff to discuss any of the aforementioned issues outstanding.

122) Delegates: to receive and consider reports from Delegates to Outside Bodies and the recommendations of Sub-Committees/Working Parties:

a) Joint Committee of Local Councils – meeting cancelled
b) Gwent Valleys One Voice Wales – meeting imminent
c) One Voice Wales Larger Councils and AGM – meeting to be held in near future
d) Tredegar Twinning – meeting was held Monday, 5th September, 2016
e) School Governing Bodies – schools closed throughout summer holiday, however Tredegar Comprehensive School was to be congratulated on recent examination results
f) Blaenau Gwent Heritage Forum – stone / plaque in situ and unveiling to take place on Wednesday, 21st September, 2016
g) Tredegar/Ebbw Vale Crime Prevention Panel – no meeting
h) Tredegar Business Forum – to be congratulated on the success of the Classic Car Event held Saturday, 27th August, 2016; unfortunately, the poor state of the walkway had not reflected well on the event – Members considered this area a disgrace. A Member suggested that the Town Council should not be liable to maintain the walkway – replanting was being undertaken at present but the area was overgrown with weeds, trees were damaged and the area subjected to graffiti. There was a need, therefore, to ensure the walkway gates were closed and locked during the evening. The Town Council had commissioned Groundwork to undertake this work on behalf of the Town Council and it was agreed that the Clerk review the details of the contract and agenda this for discussion at the next meeting.
i) VVP/Tredegar Heritage Initiative

123) Matters of Local Interest or Concern (by prior notice)

- Request by Chris Rundle to open Town Clock on the occasion of the Air Cadet Parade on 15th September, 2016 at 7.00 p.m.; Members agreed to support the request.
- Deighton Fields – a meeting of the Tredegar Public Conveniences Committee was needed, with interested parties, to progress management of the Deighton playing field.
- Open Doors Event – it was agreed to open the Town Clock to the public on Saturday, 17th September, 2016 from 10.00 a.m. until 12.30 p.m.
- Events Sub-Committee - de-brief needed in respect of Summer Band Concerts 2016, including Party in the Park and Armed Forces Day, and Christmas Lights event; agreed that an Events Sub-Committee be held on Thursday, 15th September, 2016 at 5.30 p.m.
- Presentation Awards Evening – agreed that this be held following Council on Wednesday, 21st September, 2016 at 7.00 p.m.
- Members were reminded that a School Governor vacancy was available in respect of Bryn Bach Primary School.
- Councillors Malcolm Cross and Roger Thomas had taken a wreath to France on the anniversary of Somme, on behalf of Tredegar Town Council, together with Mr. Alan James; also present were Blaenau Gwent representatives and a Male Voice Choir from Cardiff.
- The Town Mayor's Appeal Charity Golf Event would be held on Saturday, 15th October, 2016 at Tredegar & Rhymney Golf Club.
- The Mayor's Halloween Ball would be held on Friday, 28th October, 2016.

There being no other business the Meeting closed at 8.57 p.m.

_____ Chair