

## PELENNA COMMUNITY COUNCIL CYNGOR CYMUNED PELENNA

Minutes of the Extraordinary Full Council Meeting held on Thursday  
24th October 2019 at Tonmawr Community Centre at  
6:00 p.m.

- 1 Present:** Chairperson – Cllr. Diane Evans  
Cllr Janice Evans, Cllr Lisa Hawkes,  
Cllr Robert Jenkins, Cllr David Hole,  
Cllr Philip Lewis, Cllr Patrick Davis,  
Cllr Desmond Sparkes.  
**In attendance: The Clerk:** Mr David S Mackerras  
**Apologies:** Cllr Christopher Jones.
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- 2 2019/179 Declarations of Interest**  
Nothing declared.

- 3 2019/180 To receive report on likely Christmas project expenditure.**

The following report was presented –

**All costs excluding VAT, some costs currently estimated**

	£
<b>Christmas trees</b>	<b>225.00</b>
<b>Tree lights</b>	<b>149.98</b>
<b>Power supply cost – Pontrhydyfen CC</b>	<b>165.00</b>
<b>Tonmawr SPO</b>	<b>165.00</b>
<b>Festive Banners</b>	<b>120.00</b>
<b>Estimated Power consumption</b>	<b>50.00</b>
<b>Memory Stars</b>	<b>150.00</b>
<b>CMO time – say 5 hours</b>	<b>55.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£1,079.98</b>

It had been expected that the overall cost would be less than £500. However it is now evident that despite expectations there will be no support from the County Borough Council members' community fund. It was agreed that a letter of concern will be sent to Cllr Jeremy Hurley expressing disappointment on this outcome and the late information received on the issue.

In view of the impending overspend it was decided that no further expenditure will be made to construct a suitable Christmas feature at Macpelah cemetery.

It was decided that CMO time will not be considered as part of the project cost as he is employed in any event. The current overall cost based on some estimates is therefore currently £1,024.98.

#### **4 2019/181 Update on cost of laying electrical supply for Christmas tree lights at Tonmawr SPO and Pontrhydyfen Community Centre.**

Quotations are being sought.

#### **5 2019/182 General update on Christmas project.**

Mr Tim Bowen, postmaster of Tonmawr SPO attended the meeting and provided some suggestions on the Tonmawr Christmas tree. It was advisable not to support the tree in a barrel. A more suitable solution will be to sink a three foot pipe into the car park surface.

A solution will also need to be found to enable the lights to be switched on from outside the building so that the switch on may be achieved without access to the building.

A further quotation for Christmas trees has been received from the Tonmawr Christmas Tree Farm. Proposed by Cllr Robert Jenkins, seconded by Cllr Janice Evans with all in favour that the quotation for a 16 foot Norway Spruce tree should be accepted. The quotation for a 14 foot tree was also acceptable, although it was agreed that a further quotation would be sought from this supplier for a revised tree size of 12 foot.

**6 2019/183 Community newsletter**

Mr and Mrs Clive Harffy attended the meeting to offer advice on the production of a newsletter. Previous newsletters which they produced will be passed to Cllr Patrick Davis.

Mr and Mrs Harffy made various suggestions on the process of producing the newsletter including establishing its purpose, thinking of the layout and quality, and making it interesting and relevant. It was decided that Council will aim to produce the next newsletter in January.

**7 2019/184 Date of next meeting**

Next Christmas working group meeting will be held on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October at 6:00pm at Tonmawr Community Centre.

Chair .....

*Meeting closed at 7:30pm.*