

YOUR COMMUNITY COUNCIL NEEDS YOU!



Many will know the work the Community Council does but there will be some who don't, and some may not even realise that Tongwynlais has a Community Council.

The Community Council has nine Councillors but at the elections last month, only four positions were filled. We are therefore looking to appoint **five** more local residents to serve as Community Councillors, until the next election in May 2027, to replace Brian Griffiths, Graham Walters, Chris Morgan, Mike Griffiths and Peeter Tiidt who stood down after many years of service.

We want to ensure that all residents of Tongwynlais, aged 18 and over, have an opportunity to put themselves forward for co-option. So, what is the council?

- The Community Council has been non-political for many years.
- The Community Council shares the voice of the community of Tongwynlais and is there to represent, influence and provide support, where it can.
- It does not duplicate the work or services of Cardiff Council but does work with the council.

The four elected Councillors are Mike Jones-Pritchard (Chair), Caryn Hill (Vice Chair), Ceri Lane and Linda Morgan, and we would like to see a full and diverse council representing all age groups and areas of the village.

What is the Community Council and what does it do?

- We requested the introduction of the 20mph through the village in 2000.
- We organise and pay for the hanging baskets with the school Gardening Club
- We organise the Christmas Lights
- We have four employees, all part time; the Clerk, a litter picker, someone to water the hanging baskets and another to maintain some of the grass verges
- We provide support to and are involved with the Tongwynlais Festival, summer and winter, and appoint one of the Councillors as a school governor.
- We own and run the Tanyard Community Building on the corner of Queen St and Market St
- We have ten meetings a year, each around 1 and half hours, and the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales has set a payment of £150 a year for all Community Councillors.

- We run and own the allotments and arrange flower planting in the green areas of the village
- We look to help the social, cultural, economic, environmental and physical wellbeing of the community.

If you're interested in becoming a Community Councillor please contact the clerk at: clerk@tongwynlaiscommunitycouncil.gov.wales, or one of the four elected Councillors, Mike, Linda, Caryn or Ceri. Anyone over 18 is eligible to apply.

All we ask is that you are willing to get involved, have energy and enthusiasm, and want to represent and work for your community. You can also fill in your details below and drop it into the Tanyard.

Please ensure you we receive your interest on or before Friday 24th June.

If you're not sure or have some questions, then please have a chat with one of us or read the Good Councillor's Guide - [Click here to read](#). You may also find the Nolan Principles useful - [click here to read](#)

Even if you don't want to be a Councillor but have ideas for the community or things that you'd like to see the Council do where it can, to make the village even better, please tell us, we want to hear from you.

Mike Jones-Pritchard
Chair, Tongwynlais Community Council

Information about the Community Council and a copy of this newsletter including the links above can be found by visiting our website: www.tongwynlais.org

The Community Council is providing a commemorative drinks bottle to all the children in the village who are of primary school age, or younger. Most will be distributed to the children by the school, but if you have a child/children living in Tongwynlais who is/are not yet in school or attend a primary school elsewhere, please complete the request slip below and deliver to The Tanyard or one of your Community Councillors. Once we've received your request we'll see that they receive their commemorative mug.

Platinum Jubilee Souvenir Drink Bottles

I would like to request a Platinum Jubilee Souvenir Drinks bottle for my Child/Children.

Name(s)/Age(s)/ School

Address

Contact number

I am interested in becoming a Community Councillor for Tongwynlais Community Council

Name, Address and contact details (email/Mobile Number)

Or email - clerk@tongwynlaiscommunitycouncil.gov.wales

