

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of Risca Town Council

Held on Monday 11th June 2018 at

Bethany Church Hall, Risca

Cllr Louise Stephens, Cllr Joy Parsons, Cllr Hazel Dupre, Cllr Mike Parker, Cllr Tony Davies, Cllr Brian Davies, Cllr Sally Davies and County Borough Cllr Ross Whiting

Clerk/Proper Officer: Robert Campbell

Cllr Louise Stephens as the Mayor chaired the meeting that commenced at 6.35 pm

497 Apologies

Cllr Brian Hancock and County Borough Cllr Bob Owen

498 Presentation

None

499 Declarations of Interest

None

500 Residents' addresses

None

501 Minutes of the previous meeting and AGM, both held on Mon 14 May 2018

Cllr Stephens signed both minutes as a true and correct record

502 Chair's and County Members' updates

Cllr Stephens reported that she had presented a Mayor's cheque to the Risca Brownies group.

County Cllr Whiting reported that Virgin Media were to carry out regular checks on their ongoing highways works in the town. CCBC were considering a

training session on their move over to Civil Parking enforcement in April of next year.

He said that the administration of the scheme will be via that already provided for by Rhondda Cynon Taff county borough council and 5.5 full time enforcement officers will be employed by CCBC to cover its area. He added that CCBC are again considering the feasibility of a new one-way traffic order on the narrow Church Road to and from Fernlea

503 Clerk's Report

503.1 Notice Boards

A new replacement board is to be considered with a new local contractor

503.2 Finance Report

The current statements are satisfactory. The Clerk presented his Internal Audit for 2017/18 to the Council. The Council agreed with the document and it was duly signed by the Mayor. The Clerk and Mayor are to complete the necessary background/support papers next Monday before submitting the documents to the external Auditor BDO of Southampton. The Clerk reported that OVW and SLCC had only very recently advised the 735 Town and Community Councils in Wales that they did not have to formally appoint a new role of a Data Protection Officer. The Clerk reported that in line with their recommendation as a best practice he had prepared and published a new Data Protection Policy Statement and a new Privacy Notice on the Town Council's website. The Clerk added that further advice is still due from the Remuneration Panel in relation to Cllrs' Allocations for 2018/19 particularly in relation to income tax and VAT elements

503.3 One Voice Wales/CCBC/WG/SLCC/TCCLC

The Clerk and Cllr Hancock attended the OVW/SLCC conference in Llandrindod Wells on Wed 16 May and the Clerk, Cllr Dupre and Cllr Hancock are to attend the OVW Innovative Practice Conference in Builth Wells on Wed 4 July 2018

The Clerk attended the SLCC 2 day practitioners' Leadership Conference in Stratford on 6/7 June

The Clerk, Cllr Dupre and Cllr Hancock are to attend the TCCLC meeting on Wed 13 June at the Nelson Community Council offices

The Council were still to send in their comment to WG on their Local Government Reform Green Paper by July 2018

503.4 Correspondence/financial assistance applications –

The Clerk advised that he had paid an on line banking donation of £250 to Action Duchenne as previously agreed by the Council

503.5 Ty Isaf School

A date for a future afternoon appointment at the School has yet to be agreed

503.6 Administration

A possible Mayor's medal and lanyard options are still under consideration

504 Current Projects Summary

The Council agreed that a Sub-committee with Cllrs from Risca East can be held for the 2018 summer Fayre Joint Project on Thursday 29 June at Risca Rugby Club. The Council agreed with Risca East's request that each council provides a cash float of £200 to the sub-committee for teas, cakes and flowers on the day of the Fayre. The Council are to consider a public suggestion box for future projects

Project No.	Project Name	Description & Comments	Amount Paid	Amount Pledged
54	CCBC Summer Fayre Sat July 7 JOINT EVENT	1/ Marquee hire 9m x 9m - larger size plus full floor boards		2500
		2/ CCBC Fayre refreshments		200
		3/ flowers/gifts		250
		4/ Entertainment		2500
52	Bands in the Park	1/ Town Council's event planned for Sun July 1 2018 – Crosskeys Band		380
51	Summer flower baskets June to Sep 2018	Local contractor to erect replacement basket brackets on lighting columns and to erect and maintain summer baskets		4000
50	Summer music shows JOINT EVENT	Outstanding last summer's music events by Kate Poole Productions		??

505 Planning Applications

Case Refs. 18/0313, 18/0379 and 18/0382 were noted

506 Exclusion of press and public

The meeting closed at 8.30 pm

Signed:

Date:

