

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of Risca Town Council

Held on Monday 12th November 2018 at

Bethany Church Hall, Risca

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

Clerk/Proper Officer: Robert Campbell

Cllr Louise Stephens as the Mayor chaired the meeting that commenced at 6.30 pm

537 Apologies

County Borough Cllr Bob Owen

538 Presentations

None

539 Declarations of Interest

None

540 Residents' addresses

None

541 Minutes of the previous meeting held on Mon 8 October 2018

Cllr Stephens signed the minutes as a true and correct record

542 Chair's and County Members' updates

Cllr Stephens thanked Cllrs Dupre, Hancock and Parsons for their valued work and involvement to make the three Armistice events in Risca so successful in this the centenary year commemorating WW1. Cllr Stephens reported that the ticket sales for the Town's Christmas Pantomime, 'Cinderella', were selling very well and full houses were expected on 8/9 December at Risca Primary school for all four performances by Kate Poole Productions of Risca.

County Cllr Ross Whiting reported that CCBC intend to commence their planned demolition works using the Tesco store S106 monies in January at the Brooklands Road and old Baths sites. He added that Virgin Media are asking residents to report to them any footway defects after their recent cabling works in the Risca Town area and that both the Ty Darren and Suflex sites planning items were ongoing. Town Cllrs asked if he knew why a new green box had appeared in Tredegar Park. The Clerk is to investigate this query

543 Clerk's Report

543.1 Notice Board

The Clerk reported that the touring Daredevil stunts group and their publicity agent had promised to pay for the repair to the damage to the new board

543.2 Finance Report

The current statements are satisfactory. The Clerk reported that the 18/19 half year Internal Audit was complete and the audit report will be available soon. He added that he will be presenting a first draft 2019/2020 budget/precept report at the December meeting for the Council's early consideration and for a decision at the January 2019 meeting

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

The Clerk reported that he had contacted CCBC who are leading the new Caerphilly Public Service Board to seek our Town and Communities Councils' representation on that public services Board. The Clerk reported that he and Cllr Hancock had attended the recent TCCLC meeting at Maesycwmmmer Community Council

543.4 Correspondence/financial assistance applications

The Clerk updated the Council on Bethany Church's request for a contribution to their recently replaced kitchen's hot water boiler. The Council decided to purchase the new boiler at a cost of £400, as it was a regular user at the Church hall and will be available for all members of Risca Town who opt to use the church's facilities. A request from Llamau to purchase Christmas presents for local, homeless children was considered and the Council agreed to donate £150 to this cause

543.5 Ty Isaf School

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

543.6 Administration

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

544 Current Projects Summary

Cllr Hazel Dupre reported that the joint 2018 Armistice Concert went very well despite a few hitches that must be considered for next year.

Project No.	Project Name	Description & Comments	Amount Paid	Amount Pledged
58	ECMO Machine	A series of music evenings in March 19		??
53	Tredegar Park Toilets Block JOINT EVENT	Funding for 16 summer Sunday openings July to September 2018		760
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	3573.55	4000
50	Summer music shows	Outstanding last summer's music events by Kate Poole Productions to be incorporated into the Winter Fayre Marquee event		??
49	2018 Christmas Panto	8/9 December 4 performances at £4 per ticket and £12 for a family of 4		6500
59	Winter fayre	Share with CCBC of a large Marquee Christmas tree lighting		?? 257

545 Planning Applications

None

546 Exclusion of press and public

The meeting closed at 8.25 pm

Signed:

Date:

