Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of Risca Town Council Held on Tuesday 10 March 2015 at Bethany Baptist church, Tredegar Street, Risca

Present:

Cllr Michael Parker, Cllr Sally Davies, Cllr Hazel Dupre (Mayor), Cllr Louise Stephens, Cllr Tony Davies and Cllr Stephen Tom Clerk/Proper Officer: Robert Campbell

The meeting commenced at 6.35 pm

130 Apologies:

CIIr Brian Hancock and County CIIr Phyllis Griffiths

131 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Stephens declared an interest in two of the applications for assistance.

132 Financial Assistance Presentations

a/ 'We can all be Einsteins' charity. Organiser Stacy Blunt gave the Council her account of her 13 years' experience and practice as an animal therapist. She is seeking assistance for her charity that assists local children with 'attachment disorders' using animals. Stacy has assisted over 100 children since last August.

b/ 'Risca Junior All Stars' drama group organiser Kate Poole gave the Council a summary of her local performing arts group. The juniors are 7 to13 year olds form the local schools that are developing their skills. The group require assistance in funding a trip for 24 children to London West End at Her Majesty's Theatre to perform with professionals on a musicals that include Lion King and Joseph.

Cllr Dupre thanked Stacy and Kate for their excellent presentations.

133 Residents' addresses

a/ Stephen Veysey and Bernard Osmant advised Council of their WWII project for display in three new cabinets for the Palace Library and their request for assistance in purchasing the cabinets

b/ Mrs Edwards asked for an update on the Town's website, a larger font for the printed meeting minutes, reported broken glass to be cleared up at the Park and Ride steps and paths and obstructive car parking on Church Road to be addressed. The Clerk responded that he would pursue all these requests

134 Mayor's Announcement

Cllr Dupre advised the meeting that she will fund the cost of a WWII items cabinet from her Mayor's allowance.

135 Minutes of the previous meeting held on 10 February 2015

With some minor corrections Cllr Dupre signed the minutes as a true and correct record.

136 County Members' updates

No reports were received.

137 Clerk's Report

127.1 Notice Boards

Costing for three new smaller boards and a replacement for the Chemist frontage board are being considered

127.2 One Voice Wales

We are a member of One Voice Wales

127.3 Christmas Pantomime 2015

Clerk had made a provisional booking of the Crosskeys College Concert Hall for Sun 13 December

127.4 Finance Report

The current statements are satisfactory

127.5 Risca Colliers Workmens Institute building offer

To be considered at next joint meeting

127.6 Young citizen's award

Chair and clerk to draft a new advertisement poster for 2015 and consider two new age groups of up 12 years and up to 18 years for this year as a joint venture

127.8 Financial Applications

'Kickplate' fine arts and gallery - the organiser is to be invited in to address Council in April. The Lylac Ridge organiser is also to be invited along in April and Risca FC in June. The Council are to consider setting an annual cap on assistance funding

127.9 Social Media

Twitter and facebook accounts have been set up

138 Projects

Project Summary

Proje ct No.	Project Name	Description & Comments	Amou nt Paid	Amou nt Unpai d
23	Summer Show	Ask CCBC Tourism if the Town can have its own, large, marquee in the Park		
21	Bands in the Park 2015	To be a joint event for June or July 2015		331
20	Pantomime 2015 in partnership with East CC	Cross Keys College hall hire and Stage hire 2 performances Sunday 13 December 2015 2.30pm & 5.30pm. Consider option for Cuckoo Club		477 60 545 1000
13	Caring for Carers Café Joint Project with East £400 received from East	Café for Carers - Mondays 1 - 4pm at Old Bungalow, Brookland Road receipts £63.24 (food etc) banner £30 from local businesses & CCBC		800

10	Young Citizens Community Awards	To recognise & reward youths that undertake good deeds within the Community	

139 Planning Application

One item was considered and noted

140 Exclusion of press and public

The meeting closed at 9.05pm	1
Signed:	Date: