

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of Risca Town Council

Held on Monday 19th Sep 2017 at

Bethany Church Hall, Risca

Cllr Sally Davies, Cllr Louise Stephens, Cllr Hazel Dupre, Cllr Joy Parsons, Cllr Tony Davies, Cllr Brian Hancock and Cllr Mike Parker were present. County Borough Cllrs Ross Whiting and Bob Owen also attended

Clerk/Proper Officer: Robert Campbell

The meeting commenced at 6.30 pm. Cllr Louise Stephens as Mayor chaired the meeting. One resident was also in attendance

407 Apologies

None

408 Presentation

None – the local Police had emailed a crime report summary to the Clerk.

409 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Brian Hancock reported that he had recently accepted a role as Temporary Clerk to Draethen, Waterloo and Rudry Community Council to assist them in the short term

410 Residents' addresses

None

411 Minutes of the previous meeting held on 19 September 2017

Cllr Stephens signed the minutes as a true and correct record. Cllr Stephens reported that despite the very wet weather last weekend the Risca Scouts Run had been successful. However, Cllr Stephens noted her disappointment that Risca East Cllrs had not assisted the event

412 County Members' updates

County Member Bob Owen updated the Council on the recent CCBC Draft Cabinet Report for the Tesco Store S106 Planning monies and raised his concerns at the recommendations in it to demolish the former Baths pavilion and the Brooklands Road site's former Gymnasium. The Clerk added that he received an email on 7 Sep from CCBC Planning, whilst he was on a family holiday, asking for the Council views on the Report's recommendations by Wed 20 Sep. The Council, supported by the two Ward Members, decided that the recommendations were contentious for the Town. They decided to seek an extension to the response time in order that the recommendations can be discussed in detail. The Clerk is to arrange a special Planning meeting for Monday 25 Sep and to ask CCBC's permission for a week's extension to respond. Ross Whiting reported that he had asked CCBC for a noise limit on the A467. He added he was also seeking information on the land ownership for the overgrown areas next to the Railway line near Ty Isaf, to see who is responsible for them. Cllr Bob Owen left the meeting at 7.45 pm

413 Clerk's Report

413.1 Notice Boards

The replacement board's contractor still had an issue with accessing the new board for a few more weeks

413.2 Finance Report

The current statements are satisfactory. The 16/17 audit form had been received today and was unqualified. The outcome is to be advertised on the website and on the main notice boards over the next few weeks

413.3 One Voice Wales

The Annual AGM/Conference is set for Sat 30 Sep and Cllrs Parker, Hancock and the Clerk are to attend. Area Representatives Committee is planned for Bedwas on Wed 4 Oct

413.4 Correspondence/financial assistance applications – Gavo for a Halloween event, the Clerk is to ascertain if Risca Town children are included

413.5 Ty Isaf School

A date for a future afternoon appointment at the School is to be set in the autumn

413.6 Administration

A possible Mayor's medal and lanyard options are to be considered in the winter

414 Current Projects Summary

Risca Town Council – Minutes of 19 Sep 2017. A copy in Welsh will be provided upon request.

Project No.	Project Name	Description & Comments	Amount Paid	Amount Pledged
37	Summer toilet block opening on Sundays JOINT	Tredegar Park's toilet opening to be funded for 13 Sundays during the summer (total expected cost less than £800)		400

At 8.29 pm Cllr Hancock requested that Standing Orders be suspended in order that the Council can consider the two remaining agenda items. The Council agreed

415 Planning Applications

Case Ref. 17/0635 was noted

416 Exclusion of press and public

The Council agreed to re-advertise the Town Councillor vacancy for Ty Isaf Fields during October

The meeting closed at 8.50 pm

Signed:

Date:
