

**Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of Risca Town Council
Held on Monday 11 April 2016 at
Bethany Baptist Church, Tredegar Street, Risca**

Present

Cllr Michael Parker, Cllr Hazel Dupre, Cllr Louise Stephens, Cllr Brian Hancock, Cllr Sally Davies, Cllr Tony Davies, Cllr Joy Parsons, Cllr Stephen Tom (Mayor) and County Cllr Phyllis Griffiths

Clerk/Proper Officer: Robert Campbell

The meeting commenced at 6.35 pm. Cllr Stephen Tom as Mayor chaired the meeting

257 Apologies

None

258 Presentations

1/ The Council presented a cheque for £1000 as a donation to the local charity group HCPT 99 that had very recently taken a party of local schoolchildren to Lourdes. A Risca Town's child resident was included in the party. The trip was well received by all those children participating together with the carers and organisers

2/ Inspector Jason White of Heddlu Gwent Police addressed the Council and reported that over the last year general crime trends in the Risca area were reduced

259 Declarations of Interest

None

260 Residents' addresses

None

261 Minutes of the previous meeting held on 15 March 2016

Cllr Tom signed the minutes as a true and correct record

262 County Members' updates

Cllr Phyllis Griffiths gave the Council a verbal update: 1/ The recent flood defence works had raised a few queries to her and she reported that the works had been held up by the water mains damage incident of last autumn 2/ The Christmas Tree in Tredegar Park had suffered from some vandalism 3/ The county Events team had set the Summer Fayre date for Sat 9 July with a Disney theme

263 Clerk's Report

263.1 Notice Boards

The Clerk is to write to the manager at the Chemist shop to see if there was a date available for the Council to purchase and erect a replacement public board on its frontage

263.2 Finance Report

The current statements are satisfactory

263.3 One Voice Wales

Next area meeting is on 20 April 2016

263.4 Correspondence/financial assistance applications

None

263.5 Summer Flowers for 2016

Greenleif, a local business, had been awarded the contract work of flowers in hanging baskets in the summer, to be funded by the Town Council

263.6 Ty Isaf School

A date for a future appointment at the School is to be set in the next couple of months

263.7 Risca Colliers building

The Clerk reported that no further news was heard from GAVO an asset transfer from CCBC

263.8 CCBC correspondence on paying for toilet block summer manning

The Clerk is still awaiting information from the county borough council on the cost of the summer Sundays' toilets opening in the Park

263.9 Queen's 90th Birthday

The Council are considering hosting an event in the summer for those current residents born in 1926 to join in with the Queen's birthday celebrations

264 Projects

Project Summary

Project No.	Project Name	Description & Comments	Amount Paid	Amount Unpaid
29	Queen's 90 th Birthday Beacon	Beacon lighting on Twmbarlwm and reception at Risca Rugby Club		650
28	Gymkhana	At Risca Rugby Club (May to early June)		
27	Summer 2106 flower baskets	Contractor was agreed		2700
24	Christmas 2015 Festive Lighting	1.Repair, supply and erection of 27 street lighting units by CentreGreat 2.Power supply 3.Purchase of two new units	2550 1008	200 ??

265 Planning Applications

Case Ref 16/0272 and Case Ref 16/0228 were both noted

266 Exclusion of press and public

The Council agreed to reimburse the previous Clerk for her claimed Pension monies of 2013 and 2014

The meeting closed at 8.35 pm

Signed:

Date:

