

**In line with the Welsh Government's 'Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021' requirement for all 735 Town and Community Councils in Wales to electronically publish the key information and the outcome of their Council meetings within 7 days of the meeting, Risca Town Council hereby publish an unnumbered and unsigned summary of the:**

**Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of Risca Town Council**

**Due to the current Coronavirus crisis it was held as a remote virtual meeting on Monday 12 July 2021**

**Present: Cllr Mike Parker, Cllr Tony Davies, Cllr Sally Davies, Cllr Louise Stephens, Cllr Ffion Green and Cllr Hazel Dupre**

**Clerk/Proper Officer: Robert Campbell**

**Chair/Mayor Mike Parker chaired the virtual meeting that commenced at 6.35 pm**

**A/ Apologies**

Cllrs Brian Davies and Joy Parsons, County Cllrs Bob Owen and Ross Whiting, Police representative Paige Greenhalgh and Risca RBL representative Steve Veysey

**B/ Presentations**

None. Steve Veysey of Risca Royal British Legion had emailed the Council asking if consideration could be given to the provision of anew water supply at the Pontymister Memorial Gardens

**C/ Declarations of Interest**

None

**D/ Residents' addresses**

None due to the Coronavirus crisis, the Government lockdown and the current Welsh Government emergency regulations

**E/ Minutes of the previous Council meeting held on Mon 14 June 2021**

The meeting acknowledged that the agreed minutes were signed as a true and correct record

**F/ There were no County Cllr reports**

## **G/ Decisions made**

### **G1 Finance Report**

The Clerk reported that a monthly account summary to date was in a verbal format only due to the loss of a bank card and cardreader. The Chair reported that he had seen the up to date bank account statement online and the reports were agreed as satisfactory by the Council. The Clerk reported that he had submitted the 2020/2021 Audit Return with its back up papers to Audit Wales

### **G2 Correspondence/financial assistance applications**

1/ The Council agreed to ask Caerphilly County Borough Council to provide a detailed cost estimate of an electrical supply to be located into both memorial gardens in the Town

2/ The Council considered the latest request from Risca RBL for a water supply at Pontymister Gardens and were aware that the land is in the ownership of CCBC. As an alternative measure the Council agreed for the Clerk to respond with their suggestion if water butts could be placed in the park

3/ The Council agreed for the Clerk to ask Cllr Ross Whiting for progress on the resiting of fencing at the playing grounds off Mill Street

4/ The Council agreed for the Clerk to ask Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water if it could have access to Water Standpipe in the Town for its contractor to fill a water bowser for ease of watering the Council's 35 hanging Baskets and 8 planters in the Town. The Council is aware that there will be a rental cost involved if the request is granted. The Council also agreed for the Clerk to arrange for identification panels to go onto the 4-tier planters

5/ The Council considered and agreed to raise the Clerk's agreed pay scale from point 12 to point 14 backdated to April 2021

## **H/ Current Projects Summary**

The Chair reported that the Council's flower planters and flower baskets projects were now in place through the Town and that he had received residents pleasing comments on them. Further consideration will be given to entering the Town into the 'Towns in Bloom' competition for 2022 later this year

## **I/ Planning Application**

Case Ref. 0669 was noted

**The meeting closed at 7.25 pm**

**The full Minutes when agreed and signed will also be made available on the Council's website as soon as practically possible**

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