

**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**

**The meeting was held as a hybrid with both in person and remote virtual availability on Monday 26 Sep 2022**

**Present: Cllr Sally Davies, Cllr Mike Parker, Cllr Louise Stephens, Cllr Joy Parsons, Cllr Tony Davies Cllr Ffion Green**

**Clerk/Proper Officer: Robert Campbell**

Also in attendance were Ceri Wright, County Cllr Ward Member, Risca RBL rep Steve Veysey, Senior Citizens Hall rep Keith Hughes and Risca East residents Hazel Dupre and Chris Thomas. The Clerk reported that he had received no requests to join in virtually.

**Chair/Mayor Cllr Sally Davies chaired the meeting that commenced at 6.30 pm**

**As a mark of respect those present gave a minute’s silence to honour the passing of Queen Elizabeth II**

**A/ Apologies**

Cllr Clare Evans-Powell and County Cllrs Bob Owen. The Council noted that no apologies had been received from Cllr Brian Davies

**B/ Presentations**

Keith Hughes gave the Council a presentation for the Risca Senior Citizens Hall that had necessary exterior and a fire safety door work to be carried out and asked the Council for financial assistance. Steve Veysey of Risca Royal British Legion updated the Council on the latest request at the Pontymister Gardens for a new water supply. Steve had no updates on the electrical works requests at both Gardens. Steve and Hazel Dupre also reported that the Risca Remembrance Services and a Parade were currently being planned and are to go ahead in November

**C/ Declarations of Interest**

None

## **D/ Residents' addresses**

None

## **E/ Minutes of the previous Council meeting held on Mon 11 July 2022**

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

**F/** Ceri Wright was welcomed to meet with the Town Council and she updated the Council on local planning items. The Mayor reported that together with Cllr Louise Stephens and Cllr Ffion Green she had attended at the Risca RBL's flag lowering ceremony in the Pontymister Gardens on the evening that the news came through of the passing away of Queen Elizabeth II. She added that she also attended the local St Mary's Church service for the Queen on Sunday 18 Sep

## **G/ Decisions made**

### **G1 Finance Report**

The Clerk's monthly account summary to date was agreed as satisfactory by the Council

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

1/ The Clerk reported that he had received no news from Audit Wales on the previous two years' Audits

2/ The Council considered the financial assistance application from Cerebral Palsy Cymru and agreed for the Clerk to transfer £300 to the charity. The Council noted they were unable to assist the Senior Citizens Hall this financial year but were open to further consideration for assistance next financial year

3/ The Council had previously agreed to donate £1500 towards a new water supply for the Pontymister Gardens. Certain conditions on ownership of a water meter and a lockable tap were still to be finalised

4. The Clerk reminded all Cllrs to sign up to the new Council email domain

5. The Clerk reported that he had circulated to the Cllrs a draft Training Programme and that he had submitted the Cllrs allocations paper for 21/22 to Welsh Government prior to the deadline of 30 Sep

6. The Clerk reported that he had completed a September 2022 Projects Tender process and presented the outcome to the Council. The Council agreed to decide on the outcome at the next meeting on 10 October 2022

At 8.30pm Cllr Parker asked for the Standing Orders to be suspended for the Council to discuss the remaining items on the agenda

## **H/ Current Projects Summary**

The Council discussed the 2022 Summer baskets and planters project and one Cllr noted her disappointment at this year's summer baskets display

## **I/ Planning Application**

Case Ref: 21/0769 was noted. Care Ref: 22/0758 - the Clerk reported that he had already emailed a further objection to this application at the former Pontymister filling station site following urgent discussions with County Cllr Bob Owen and the Mayor

**The meeting closed at 9.00 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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