

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

**The meeting was held as a ‘hybrid meeting’, thus it was open as an in-person, indoors meeting at the Bethany Church Hall and available on request to the Clerk as a remote virtual meeting on Monday 13 May 2024**

**Present: Cllr Sally Davies, Cllr Mike Parker, Cllr Tony Davies, Cllr Ffion Green, Cllr Clare Evans-Powell, Cllr Mike Wedderien and Cllr Louise Stephens  
Clerk/Proper Officer: Robert Campbell and County Cllrs Bob Owen and Ceri Wright**

The Clerk reported that he had received no requests to join virtually

**Chair/Mayor Cllr Mike Parker chaired the meeting that commenced at 6.20 pm**

**1137 Apologies - None**

**1138 Presentations - None**

**1139 Declarations of Interest - None**

**1140 Residents’ addresses - None**

**1141 Minutes of the Council meeting held on Mon 15 Apr 2024**

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

**1142 County Members updates**

Cllrs Ceri Wright and Bob Owen updated the Council on the local issues they are dealing with. They noted that the Boundary Commission had published their report that included the proposal for Risca Town and Risca East to be rejoined into one Community Council. The Council are very pleased with the report’s recommendation for Risca to be reunited as one Community after being split into two Wards in 1996 and into two communities in 2012. The County Members also reported that Welsh Government had opened its consultation to review its new 20 mph default speed limit across Wales

**1143 Clerk’s Report**

**1143.1 Finance**

The Clerk’s monthly account summary was agreed as satisfactory by the Council. The Council agreed for the Clerk to return an amount of a third of the previous transfer between its main account and the Elections/Reserves amount at Monmouthshire Building Society and they will consider further amounts later in the financial year

**1143.2 Correspondence/financial assistance applications**

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The Council noted that the Clerk had rearranged the booking of the Senior Citizens' Hall for a public consultation evening on Monday 20 May. The Council decided to consider the expressions of interest in the Fernlea Member's vacancy after the June meeting. The Council considered the financial assistance request from Risca United AFC and decided for the Clerk to get clarification on the particular item for which they are seeking assistance

**1143.3 One Voice Wales/Town and Community Council Liaison Committee**

The next TCCLC meeting is being planned for Tuesday 18 June at Risca Town and the TCCLC Joint meeting with the CCBC Cllrs is set for Monday 22 July 2024. The next OVW Area meeting is set for Wednesday 24 July 2024

**1144 Current Projects Summary**

The Council are looking forward to its planned date of Sunday 21 July for a Bands in the Park event with Crosskeys Silver Band, 3 pm to 5pm in Tredegar Park, Risca. The summer flower baskets and planters project for the Town is underway. The Chair reported on his recent meeting with the Joint Remembrance sub-committee (with Risca East Cllrs and Risca Royal British Legion) that Risca Male Choir intends to request a fee of £250 for its future attendance at community events to include the Remembrance Service at Moriah Church in 2025. The current Joint donation is £100 for 2024. The Council decided to review this report update in the next financial year

Project No.	Project Name	Description & Comments	Amount Paid	Amount Pledged
A	New flagpole at Darren Gardens	Jointly funded with Risca East CC	828 360	1300
B	Bands in the Park with Crosskeys Silver Band	Sunday 21 July 2024		600
C	2024 Festive lanterns project	3 new lanterns are to be purchased		2000
D	2024 Christmas Tree switch on event and new Christmas Tree lights	Entertainment deposit	88	10000

**1145 Planning Application - None**

**1146 Exclusion of press and public**  
None

**The meeting closed at 7.45 pm**

**Signed:**

**Date:**

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