

## **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 10 June 2024**

**Present: Cllr Sally Davies, Cllr Mike Parker, Cllr Tony Davies, Cllr Ffion Green, Cllr Clare Evans-Powell, and Cllr Mike Wedderien**

**Clerk/Proper Officer: Robert Campbell 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 6.40 pm**

**1147 Apologies** - Cllr Louise Stephens and County Cllr Bob Owen

**1148 Presentations** - None

**1149 Declarations of Interest** - None

**1150 Residents’ addresses** - None

**1151 Minutes of the AGM and full Council meeting held on Mon 13 May 2024**

The meeting agreed both sets of minutes that were duly signed as a true and correct record

**1152 County Members updates**

County Cllr Ceri Wright updated the Council on her concerns and issues in the Town to include; working with Caerphilly County Borough Council Parks Officers to repair damaged benches in Tredegar Park, an update on CCBC’ Waste Strategy Report, complaints of speeding on the new one way system at Church Road, the former Gas Works site car park is to be opened very soon and recent vandalism at the Tany-y-Bryn new development site

**1153 Clerk’s Report**

**1153.1 Finance**

The Clerk’s monthly account summary was agreed as satisfactory by the Council. The Clerk presented the Audit Wales 2023/2024 Audit Return form together with the full year’s Internal Audit report. The Council agreed the Return that was duly signed by the Clerk and the Mayor

**1153.2 Correspondence/financial assistance applications**

The Clerk is to contact CCBC Education to ask Governor Jenny Rogers for an update report on Cwm Gwyddon School. The Clerk presented a revised list for Members representation on outside bodies with Cllr Clare Evans-Powell being

the Ty Isaf Infants School representative for the Council. The Council agreed for the Clerk to purchase two First Aid packs to be donated to the Pontymister Bowls Club for use in the community. The Council also considered applications for finance from Risca United and the Risca Senior Citizens Hall but both requests were fully considered as not suitable for donating public money on this occasion. The Council considered the expressions of interest in the Fernlea Member's vacancy but decided to defer any decision to the July meeting

**1153.3 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 10 July 2024

**1154 Current Projects Summary**

The Chair reported that the Council's summer flower baskets and planters project for the Town is due to be in place in mid June. The Council agreed for the Chair and the nominated local contractor to relocate the stored Festive lanterns to a lock up at Park Road in August. The Council is looking forward to holding its Bands in the Park event with Crosskeys Silver Band on Sunday 21 July

Project No.				
A	Summer flower baskets and planters	Set out in the Town from mid June to mid September		8000
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
E	New PA system	for use at outside events		1000

**1155 Planning Application - Case Ref. 24/0355 was noted**

**1156 Exclusion of press and public - None**

**The meeting closed at 8.20 pm**

**Signed:**

**Date:**

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