

In line with the Welsh Government's 'Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021' requirement for all 730 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 with both in person and remote virtual availability on Monday 13 Jan 2025

Present: Cllr Mike Parker, Cllr Ffion Green, Cllr Louise Stephens, Cllr Sally Davies, Cllr Tony Davies and Cllr Mike Wedderien

Clerk/Proper Officer: Robert Campbell

Heddlu Gwent Police representatives Sgt Liam Brown, PC Lewis Burley and CSO Megan Stevens were also in attendance for the presentation's agenda item. The Clerk reported that he had received no requests to join virtually.

Chair/Mayor Cllr Mike Parker chaired the meeting that commenced at 6.30 pm

A/ Apologies – Cllr Clare Evans-Powell (the Council fully accepted Cllr Evans-Powell's apology). County Cllr Bob Owen also sent his apology

B/ Presentations – The local Police reported on their recent duties in the Town that showed only a few anti-social incidents that were being attended to. The Chair thanked the Police representatives for their attendance and update. The Clerk read out an email from Steve Veysey of Risca Royal Legion that updated the Council on the UK plans for VE Day in May 2025. Risca RBL are considering arranging to light a beacon at Twmbarlwm. The Clerk is to ask Risca RBL for more event details for this commemoration and for their plans for VJ Day in the summer

C/ Declarations of Interest – None

D/ Residents' addresses - None

E/ Minutes of the previous Council meeting held on 9 December 2024

The minutes were agreed and signed as a true record

F/ County Members – Cllr Ceri Wright updated the Council on her recent activities. The recent storms and flooding were discussed at length. The Council asked for details on any CCBC plans to update the Town's drainage system from Grove Road to Mill Street. Cllr Bob Owen had emailed the Clerk with a summary of his recent activities in the Town

Risca Town Council – Early summary of Minutes of 13 January 2025 to publish electronically. A copy in Welsh will be provided upon request.

G/ Decisions made

G1 Finance Report

The Clerk's monthly account summary was agreed as satisfactory by the Council. The Council confirmed a budget of £69,500 with a Band D household precept charge of £38 per year 2025/26 as decided upon at the December 2024 meeting

G2 Correspondence/financial assistance applications

The Clerk is to respond to the Risca Choir on their request to submit a charge for future community events in Risca. The Clerk reported on a recent CCBC Notice to propose double yellow lines at the bend in Dan-y-Graig Road. The Council supported the proposal

H/ Current Projects Summary

The Clerk submitted a Projects List for 2025 and the Council agreed to consider any additions or changes over the next Council meetings

I/ Planning Applications – Case Ref 24/0923 was noted

The meeting closed at 7.40 pm

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