

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 Mar 2025

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

Clerk/Proper Officer: Robert Campbell

CCBC County Cllr Bob Owen, CCBC Drainage Officers Mark Goodger and Max Nebe and local business representatives Janet Phillips and Dawn Derravan were also in attendance

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

1227 Apologies - Cllr Ffion Green and Cllr Clare Evans-Powell

1228 Presentations - CCBC Officers Mark Goodger and Max Nebe gave the Council and visitors an update on the recent flooding issues in the Town following the recent storms. They added their CCBC plan for remedial action via a 'flood risk strategy' and seeking WG funding for priority treatment higher up the valley to hold storm water and improve the town centre's level drainage. Their 'action plan' includes clearing of drains 4 times a year and CCBC seeking a 'Working Flood Group' for Risca alongside other flood risk areas in the county borough. The Working Group suggestion is to be brought up by CCBC Officers at their next Risca Town Centre Management Group meeting set for Thursday 3 April with Risca stakeholders. Local business, traders and residents can be included in a new Working Flood Group as emergency contacts

1229 Declarations of Interest - None

1230 Residents' addresses - None

1231 Minutes of the full Council meeting held on 11 February 2025

The minutes were agreed and signed as a true record

1232 County Members updates – County Cllr Bob Owen updated the Council on his recent activities. He noted that CCBC were aware of pre planning applications for a new Lidl Store near the Mill Street roundabout, the current Lidl Store, the Brooklands Road site. D G Howells site and Domino's Pizza store had asked to extend their licence to 5 am. He added that repair work was still to take place at the Stony Bridge and the Rugby Club car park was due for white relining. **Mayor's announcement** – The Mayor reported that he had arranged for a bouquet of flowers to be sent to local resident Esme Davies who was 100 years old last month

1233 Clerk's Report

1233.1 Finance

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

1233.2 Correspondence/financial assistance applications

The Council considered a recent application for financial assistance the Clerk had received from Risca Museum. The Mayor agreed to donate £100 to Risca Museum from his annual allowance

1233.3 One Voice Wales/Town and Community Council Liaison Committee

The TCCLC Committee meeting is set for Tuesday 18 March 2025, a venue is yet to be decided

1234 Current Projects Summary

At 8.30 pm the Chair asked for Standing Orders to be suspended for the Council to consider the remaining agenda items. The Council are looking forward to supporting the events being planned by Risca Royal British Legion for both VE Day and VJ Day in May and June this year. The Council's nominated contractor had commenced the summer flower baskets project for June to September. The Council are to consider their Winter Fair project over the spring and summer to seek CCBC permission to again use Tredegar Park, Risca and contracts for marquees/stage and entertainment

Project				
A	New PA system	for use at outside events		3000
B	VE Day and VJ Day in May and June this year	To contribute to the planning of both events by Risca Royal British Legion		1600
C	Bands in the Park	Sunday 20 July with Crosskeys Silver Band		700
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1235 Planning Applications - Case Ref. 25/0093/CLPU Site: HARE Rowecord was noted

1236 Exclusion of press and public – None

The meeting closed at 8.40 pm

Signed:

Date:
