

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 10 March 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

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

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

A/ Apologies – Cllr Ffion Green and Cllr Clare Evans-Powell

B/ 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' via 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

C/ Declarations of Interest – None

D/ Residents' addresses - None

E/ Minutes of the previous Council meeting held on 10 February 2025

The minutes were agreed and signed as a true record

F/ County Members – 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

G/ Decisions made

G1 Finance Report

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

G2 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

H/ 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

I/ Planning Application – Case Ref. 25/0093/CLPU Site: HARE Rowecord was noted

The meeting closed at 8.40 pm

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