

**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 14 April 2025**

**Present: Cllr Mike Parker, Cllr Sally Davies, Cllr Tony Davies, and Cllr Mike Wedderien**

**Clerk/Proper Officer: Robert Campbell**

Heddlu Gwent Police Officers Jason Harris and Louise Jenkins, Risca Royal British Legion Secretary Bernice Reeks and Caitlyn Allen of Cancer Research UK (Risca Branch) 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 Louise Stephens**

**B/ Presentations –** The local police Officers gave the Council a summary of their recent activities in the Town. Crime incidents over the last month have been negligible. Caitlyn Allen outlined for the Council her plan to hold a 'Big Cinema' outside event in the Town this summer or next summer if a possible venue could be found. This is to raise funds for her charity. Caitlyn asked if the Council could fund the hire of the cinema equipment at a cost of £1100. The Council agreed in principle to support the charity event depending upon the submitted event planning details. Bernice outlined the Risca RBL's plans for VE Day and suggested The Council contribute to an outside event in the Town on 15 August to commemorate VJ Day. The Council will await the submitted event planning details to give this request further consideration

**C/ Declarations of Interest – None**

**D/ Residents' addresses - None**

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

The minutes were agreed and signed as a true record

**F/ County Members report** – None. **Mayor’s announcement** – The Mayor reported that he had been invited to open the Crafty Legs Craft Fair in Tredegar Park last Saturday morning

**G/ Decisions made**

**G1 Finance Report**

The Clerk’s monthly account summary was agreed as satisfactory by the Council. The Council agreed for Gwyn James to carry out the 2024/2025 Full year internal audit

**G2 Correspondence/financial assistance applications**

The Council noted that the 3 April Caerphilly county borough council held Town Centre Management meeting in the Town was well supported by local businesses

**H/ Current Projects Summary**

The Council agreed the dates for its Bands in the Park event on Sunday 20 July and its Winter Fair on Saturday 30 November. The Clerk is to contact CCBC for permission to use Tredegar Park, Risca for both Town Council events

**I/ Planning Applications** – Case Ref. 25/0166 – an application for a new Lidl Store site. County Cllr Bob Owen has invited the Town Council to a planning site meeting with CCBC Officers (date to be announced)

Case Ref. “5/0194 was noted

**The meeting closed at 8.25 pm**

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